

LITVINOFF IN CUBAN POST

Soviet Envoy Presents Credentials as Havana Minister

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HAVANA, April 9—Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Ambassador to the United States, presented his credentials to President Fulgencio Batista as Minister to Cuba this morning. The ceremony was held in the Salon of Mirrors in the Presidential Palace.

In an interview with the Cuban and foreign press this afternoon Mr. Litvinoff stressed the necessity of winning the war before discussing post-war aims. He warned that the Axis was not yet defeated and pointed out that Russia still was bearing the brunt of the war. He said the aims of the Soviet were, first, the destruction of Adolf Hitler's armed forces and regime and, second, "establishment of an international order to prevent the recurrence of the present human tragedy."