

Sometimes we would receive a telegram as follows: "... at 11:00 p.m. dispatch aircraft No. so and so". But as to where that aircraft is and when it will arrive, nobody knows. We call the central office of the airline. They tell us to call the owners of the aircraft. While we are on the phone, the plane is on the approach to Dushanbe.

Realizing what was going on, the farmers stopped bringing their produce to the airport on schedule and, instead, would call us to find out when the aircraft was arriving. This, of course, was not the ideal solution either, because not all the State and collective farms supplying vegetables and fruit are located nearby. And, remember, the crop must be harvested, loaded onto trucks and delivered to the airport. Time is passing, and the airplanes stand idle.

There also was the following unusual case. The Yakut administration cancelled four trips (and this is over 120 tons of perishable produce) allegedly at the request of the agro-industrial complex of the republic. It turned out that the agro-industrial complex had never made such a request. It was the cargo supervisor of one of the farms who blurted out that we would not be able to fully load four airplanes, so it would be better not to send them ... Instead of asking us for confirmation, the Yakut administration followed the lead of an irresponsible person.

I would like to mention something else: the scandalous mismanagement. The powerful Il-76 airplanes would come to us from miles and miles away empty!