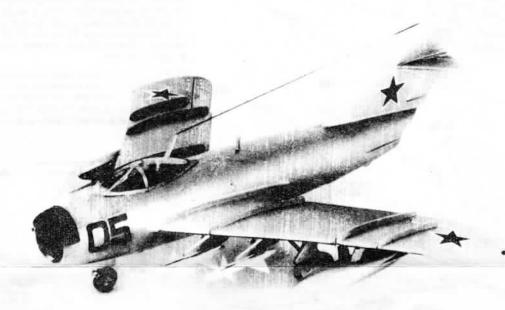
## MIKOYAN MIG-17D/E FRESCO

1/72 SCALE

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The Russian Mig 17 fighter is a refinement of their first swept-winged combat plane, the Mig 15, used during the Korean War. The Mig 17 began replacing the earlier fighter in 1953 and features a thinner wing of greater sweep back. These changes were intended to provide the Russians with a supersonic fighter, but the overall drag of the design remained too great and the plane cannot obtain supersonic speeds in level flight. However, this does not detract from its performance as a combat plane—a fact which was clearly seen when Mig 17's were encountered over North Vietnam.

The Mig 17 carries the NATO code name Fresco. The Fresco-D is a limited all-weather fighter with intercept radar in its nose. This version carries either four air-to-air missiles or three cannons. The Fresco-E has the same capabilities but its engine is equipped with an afterburner.

## CHARACTERISTICS

Dimensions - wingspan 31 feet, length 36 feet 4 inches.

Powerplant - one Klimov VK-1A turbojet of 6,990 lbs. thrust with afterburning.

Performance -- maximum speed 700 mph at sea level.

Armament - three 23 mm NR-23 cannons, 32 air-to-air rockets, four alkali missiles or two 550 lb, bombs.

