

CN 18

X/4 C/S - 2ND ADD - PRAGUE OFF AIR (CN 14) XXX MOMENT

ANOTHER RADIO PRAGUE ANNOUNCER -- BEFORE THE STATION WENT OFF THE AIR -- SAID:

"DEAR FRIENDS: IN THE HOURS WHICH ARE THE MOST HEAVY TEST FOR OUR FATHERLAND AND FOR EVERY CITIZEN OF THIS REPUBLIC WE HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT WE THE WORKERS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK RADIO GATHER IN THE BUILDING ON THE VINOHRADSKA STREET IN PRVMMMMAGUE, ARE STANDING COMPLETELY BEHIND THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, THE LEGAL GOVERNMENT AND THE PRESIDUM OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF COMMUNIST PARTY OF CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY HEADED BY ALEXANDER DUBCEK.

"THE PRESIDUM OF THE PARTY... (GARBLED) IS IN SESSION. PERHAPS SOME OF YOU COULD HEAR THE PROCLAMATION WHICH IT ISSUED.

"WE ASSURE YOU THAT AS LONG AS WE HAVE THE TECHNICAL MEANS WE WILL DO OUR DUTY, AND WILL INFORM YOU ABOUT EVERYTHING WHICH IS TAKING PLACE AFTER THE OCCUPATION OF OUR REPUBLIC BY THE UNITS OF THE WARSAW PACT, AND EXPLAIN THE DECISION OF THE ONLY LEGAL GOVERNMENT AND THE LEADERSHIP OF DUBCEK IN WHOM WE HAVE AN ABSOLUTE CONFIDENCE.

RGS/REN/A 0528/68 AUG 21/mbw +.