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VIENNA, AUG 21 (RFE SPECIAL/KOSTRBA) - THE OCCUPATION OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION GENERAL MANAGEMENT'S BUILDING IN PRAGUE WAS ANNOUNCED AT 0752 BY A PRAGUE STUDIO TELEVISION ANNOUNCER.

IT WAS SAID THAT DESPITE THE OCCUPATION OF THE BUILDING, CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION WAS STILL ABLE TO CONTINUE ITS BROADCASTS.

THE PRAGUE STUDIO CARRIED SHORTLY BEFORE AN ADDRESS BY THE HEAD OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE EAST SLOVAK REGION CONTAINING A DECLARATION OF LOYALTY TO PARTY LEADER ALEXANDER DUBCEK BY THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE.

THE BROADCAST CAME FROM THE KOSICE STUDIO.

THE ANNOUNCER ALSO ADVISED LISTENERS TO REMAIN TURNED TO THE TELEVISION BROADCAST BECAUSE, SHE SAID, CZECHOSLOVAK RADIO IS NOT TO BE HEARD ANYMORE IN SOME REGIONS.

ACCORDING TO CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION, OFFICIAL CZECHOSLOVAK RADIO COULD BE STILL HEARD ON THE EMERGENCY FREQUENCY OF 250 METERS.

(CMD) RADIO PRAGUE WENT OFF AND ON THE AIR SEVERAL TIMES THIS MORNING, AND LISTENERS COULD HEAR SHOOTING IN THE BACKGROUND.

THE RADIO FIRST WENT OFF AT 0447 MT AND THEN BACK ON AGAIN AT 0540 MT.

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