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X/4 C/S - DUBCEK'S MESSAGE CALLING FOR THE PRESERVATION OF PEACE

MUNICH, AUG 21 (CMD)- RADIO PRAGUE BROADCAST AT 0721 MT A MESSAGE FROM THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY LEADER ALEXANDER DUBCEK CALLING FOR THE PRESERVATION OF PEACE.

THE MESSAGE WHICH ARRIVED FROM THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE SAID: "I BEG YOU TO REMAIN CALM, NOT RPT NOT TO DO ANYTHING IN A PRECIPITATE WAY, I BEG YOU TO BE DIGNIFIED IN THE SITUATION WHICH HAS ARISEN. I SEND YOU GREETINGS FROM THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE BUILDING."

RADIO BRATISLAVA REPORTED AT 0633 MT THAT THE LEADING SECRETARY OF THE EAST SLOVAKIAN PARTY REGIONAL COMMITTEE TOLD THE EDITORIAL OFFICE OF RUDE PRAVO, THE PARTY PAPER, THAT THE EAST SLOVAKIAN PARTY REGIONAL COMMITTEE IS BEHIND THE DUBCEK LEADERSHIP OF THE PARTY.

HE ALSO SAID THAT THE MAIN EAST SLOVAKIAN TOWN OF KOSICE WAS OCCUPIED LAST NIGHT AT 2300 MT BY THE SOVIET AND HUNGARIAN UNITS.

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