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THE CZECHOSLOVAK TRADE UNION DAILY PRACE THIS AFTERNOON REPEATED THE OFFICIAL ADVICE FOR THE POPULATION TO KEEP THEIR HEADS, ACCORDING TO CETEKA.

PRACE SAID: "THE GREAT WRONG WHICH HAS BEEN INFLICTED UPON US MUST NOT LEAD TO DEMORALIZATION AND DESPAIR. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT THIS DIFFICULT TRIAL WILL PASS IF WE REMAIN UNITED IN OUR RESOLVE TO GO ALONG OUR OWN SOCIALIST ROAD."

HOWEVER, LATER RADIO CESKE BUDEJOVICE (SOUTHERN BOHEMIA) REPORTED THAT "A GREAT PROCESSION OF YOUTH" WAS MARCHING THROUGH THE TOWN AGAINST THE OCCUPYING ARMIES.

IT APPEALED TO THEM TO STOP, DESCRIBING THEIR VENTURE AS "A DANGEROUS AND SMALL WEAPON AGAINST THE TANKS."

IN A CASUALTY REPORT, RADIO PRAGUE SAID THAT TWO BOYS HAD DIED IN KOSICE AFTER BEING SHOT BY SOVIET TROOPS, AND THAT THE GERMAN TOURIST AT A FILLING STATION HAD "PROBABLY" BEEN KILLED. IT ALSO REPORTED INJURIES AT THE RADIO HALL. EARLIER 20 PEOPLE WERE REPORTED TAKEN TO HOSPITAL AFTER SHOOTING OUTSIDE THE RADIO PRAGUE BUILDING.

ANGER AT THE INVASION WAS NOT ONLY CONFINED TO THE WESTERN GOVERNMENTS WHO DENOUNCED IT IN STRONG TERMS. IN RUMANIA, COMMUNIST PARTY LEADER NICOLAE CAEUSESCU TOLD A RALLY IT WAS "A SHAMEFUL EVENT". HE SAID THERE COULD BE NO JUSTIFICATION FOR MILITARY INTERVENTION INTO THE AFFAIRS OF ANOTHER SOCIALIST COUNTRY.

IN YUGOSLAVIA, PRESIDENT TITO SAID THE INVASION "VIOLENTLY TRAMPLED O THE SOVEREIGNTY OF A SOCIALIST COUNTRY".

BRIATIN, WHICH DESCRIBED THE INVASION AS A "FLAGRANT VIOLATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER," SAID IT WAS CONSULTING WITH OTHER DELEGATES FOR AN EARLY MEETING OF THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL.

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