

FOLLOWING IS THE CETEKA REPORT ON THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY'S PROCLAMATION:

PRAGUE AUGUST 21 CETEKA - CZECHOSLOVAK DEPUTIES TODAY DECLARED UNEQUIVOCAL SUPPORT FOR THE LEGAL AUTHORITIES IN THE COUNTRY.

THE PROCLAMATION THEY UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THIS AFTERNOON RUNS AS FOLLOWS:

DEPUTIES OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, WHO MET AT MIDDAY TODAY IN ANSWER TO AN APPEAL BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY PRESIDUM, REGARD IT AS NECESSARY TO DECLARE AT THIS MOMENT WHEN THE LEGAL GOVERNMENT AND OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL BODIES CANNOT PUT FORWARD THEIR VIEW ON THE PRESENT SITUATION AND FULFIL THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL FUNCTIONS.

1. WE FULLY ENDORSE THE PROCLAMATION OF THE PRESIDUM OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND THE PRESIDUM OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WHICH CALLS THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA BY THE ARMIES OF FIVE COUNTRIES OF THE WARSAW TREATY A VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE WARSAW TREATY AND OF THE PRINCIPLES OF EQUAL RELATIONS BETWEEN NATIONS.

2. WE DEMAND THAT THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICIALS, PRIMARILY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC LUDVIK SVOBODA, PREMIER OLDRICH CERNIK, NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN JOSEF SMRKOVSKY, FIRST SECRETARY OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA ALEXANDER DUBCEK, CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL FRONT DR. FRANTISEK KRIEGL, CHAIRMAN OF THE CZECH NATIONAL COUNCIL DR. CESTMIR CISAR AND OTHERS BE RELEASED FROM INTERNMENT AND SO BE ABLE TO PERFORM THE CONSTITUTIONAL FUNCTIONS WITH WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN ENTRUSTED BY THE SOVEREIGN PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY. MOREOVER, THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATION WHICH WE SENT TO THE SOVIET EMBASSY THIS MORNING HAS NOT YET RETURNED.

3. WE PROTEST AGAINST THE FACT THAT THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, THE GOVERNMENT, THE COMPONENTS OF THE NATIONAL FRONT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES ARE PREVENTED FROM PERFORMING THEIR LEGAL RIGHTS AND WE INSIST ON THEIR FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT AND ASSEMBLY.

4. WE CATEGORICALLY DEMAND THE IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF THE TROOPS OF FIVE COUNTRIES OF THE WARSAW TREATY AND THE FULL RESPECT OF THE STATE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC. WE APPEAL TO THE PARLIAMENTS OF ALL COUNTRIES AND TO THE WORLD PUBLIC OPINION TO SUPPORT OUR LEGAL DEMANDS.

5. WE ENTRUST A DELEGATION OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, CONSISTING OF MARIE MIKOVA, JOSEF MACEK, JOZEF VALO, PAVOL RAPOS, JOSEF POSPISIL AND VACLAV KUCERA, WITH MAKING CONTACT WITH CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY JOSEF SMRKOVSKY, WITH PRESIDENT LUDVIK SVOBODA AND WITH PREMIER OLDRICH CERNIK SO AS TO INFORM THEM ABOUT THIS RESOLUTION AND DECIDE WITH THEM WHAT TO DO. THE DELEGATION IS TO IMMEDIATELY REPORT TO THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE ON THE RESULTS OF THEIR NEGOTIATIONS.

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