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MUNICH, AUG 21 (CMD)-- A STATEMENT OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK ARMY'S LEADERSHIP, SIGNED BY DEFENSE MINISTER MARTIN DZUR, SAID TODAY "THE ARMY WILL CONTINUE TO FULFILL THE ORDERS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC LUDVIK SVOBODA, AS ITS COMMANDER IN CHIEF," RADIO CESKE BUDEJOVICE REPORTED.

THE RADIO SAID THE CZECHOSLOVAK ARMY LEADERSHIP ANNOUNCED THAT "ALL ITS MEASURES ARE FULLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DECISIONS OF THE REPUBLIC'S PRESIDENT."

THE ARMY LEADERSHIP STATED "IN THE SPIRIT OF HIS "SVOBODA'S INSTRUCTIONS AND OF THE DECLARATION OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE PRESIDUM EVERYTHING HAS BEEN DONE TO PREVENT THE SHEDDING OF BLOOD AND FURTHER UNFORESEEABLE CONSEQUENCES."

(RADIO CESKE BUDEJOVICE DOMESTIC/M, AUG 21, 1700)

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