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X/13 C/S - TEXT OF CZECHOSLOVAK U.N. MISSION STATEMENT

UNITED NATIONS, AUG. 21 - THE CZECHOSLOVAK MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS MADE PUBLIC WEDNESDAY THE FOLLOWING DECLARATION, DATED AUGUST 21, BY THE CZECHOSLOVAK MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS:

"TODAY, THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WITH THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC INFORMED THE AMBASSADORS OF THE USSR, POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC, GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC, GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AND BULGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC ACCREDITED IN THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC TO TRANSMIT TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE USSR, POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC, GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AND BULGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC A RESOLUTE PROTEST WITH THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA BE STOPPED WITHOUT DELAY AND ALL ARMED TROOPS BE WITHDRAWN FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA. IN THIS HISTORICAL MOMENT WE EXPRESS OUR HOPE THAT THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLES OF THE USSR, POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC, GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC, HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AND BULGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC WILL UNDERSTAND THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION CREATED BY THIS ACT WHICH CANNOT RPT NOT BE EXPLAINED IN ANY WAY, AND ALL THE LESS MADE STAND TO REASON, AND WILL MAKE IT IMMEDIATELY POSSIBLE FOR THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE AND ITS LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVES TO CONTINUE THEIR ACTIVITIES WITHOUT DELAY."

(THE RELEASE BORE A NOTATION THAT THE TEXT, RECEIVED BY RADIO, MIGHT BE INCOMPLETE BUT CORRESPONDED TO THE SENSE OF THE MESSAGE.)

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