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U.N. - 2ND ADD SECURITY COUNCIL MEETS (CN 18) X X X NECESSARY.

THE U.S. AMBASSADOR, MR. GEORGE BALL, SAID THERE WAS NOT THE SLIGHTEST DOUBT THAT THE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION WAS PROPER AND WAS DEMANDED BY THE "PRESENT CRISIS." THE COUNCIL HAD TO LIVE UP TO ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE CHARTER.

HE CALLED THE SOVIET OPPOSITION TO COUNCIL DEBATE "A DOOMED AND DESPPRATE EFFORT TO FRUSTRATE U.N. ACTION. THE EFFORT TO BLOCK THE WORLD BODY WAS "BOTH EVIL AND ABSURD."

BRITAIN'S LORD CARADON SAID THERE WAS "NO MORE IMPORTANT AND NO MORE URGENT CALL" THAN THAT THE TROOPS BE WITHDRAWN FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA IMMEDIATELY.

THE INVASION PUT AT RISK THE RIGHT OF EVERY SMALL COUNTRY, HE SAID. "WHEN WE SEE WHAT THE SOVIET UNION MIGHT DO TO AN ALLY, WE SHUDDER TO THINK WHAT IT MIGHT DO TO ANOTHER STATE."

LORD CARADON ADDED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT "UNHESITATINGLY" CONDEMNED THE INTERVENTION.

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