

FREE JOURNALISTS PROTEST AGAINST FORCE IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

LONDON, AUG 22 -- (RFE SPECIAL/RACIESKI) --
THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF FREE JOURNALISTS IN LONDON
ISSUED A STATEMENT WEDNESDAY VEHEMENTLY PROTESTING AGAINST THE
FORCEFUL SNUFFING-OUT OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK ATTEMPT AT FREEDOM
OF EXPRESSION.

THE STATEMENT SAID:

"THE COMMUNIST POWER STRUCTURE, WITH MOSCOW AT ITS
APEX, HAS ONCE AGAIN DEMONSTRATED ITS RUTHLESS DETERMINATION
TO SNUFF OUT ANY ATTEMPT AT FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION.

ON BEHALF OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF FREE
JOURNALISTS, UNITING MOST JOURNALISTS OF CENTRAL AND
EASTERN EUROPEAN ORIGIN NOW WORKING IN THE FREE WORLD,
WE VEHEMENTLY PROTEST AGAINST THIS NEW, PATENT USE OF FORCE,
WHOSE FIRST VICTIM IN UNHAPPY CZECHOSLOVAKIA IS THE SLENDER
FLOWER OF PRESS FREEDOM ONLY RECENTLY BORN UNDER DUBCEK
REGIME."

LONDON POLES CONDEMN USE OF POLISH TROOPS AGAINST CZECHOSLOVAKIA

LONDON, AUGUST 22 -- (RFE SPECIAL/RACIESKI)--
THE POLISH POLITICAL LEADERSHIP IN LONDON ISSUED A STATEMENT WEDNESDAY
STRONGLY CONDEMNING THE PARTICIPATION OF POLISH TROOPS
IN THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

THE STATEMENT SAID THAT THE POLISH PEOPLE BEING UNANIMOUSLY
OPPOSED TO THIS ACT OF AGGRESSION, "THE RESPONSIBILITY
FOR IT MUST REST EXCLUSIVELY WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND
THE COMMUNIST RULERS OF POLAND".

THE STATEMENT ENDS WITH THE EXPRESSION OF HOPE THAT
POLAND AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA WILL FIND IN THEIR COMMON STRUGGLE
FOR FREEDOM A BASIS FOR CLOSE COLLABORATION AND LASTING
FRIENDSHIP.

THE STATEMENT WAS SIGNED BY GENERAL WLADYSLAW ANDERS,
THE WAR-TIME COMMANDER OF POLISH FORCES IN THE WEST,
COUNT EDWARD RACZYNSKI, FORMER POLISH AMBASSADOR IN LONDON,
AND OTHERS.

A MASS MEETING OF POLES WILL TAKE PLACE IN LONDON'S
HYDE PARK ON SATURDAY AT NOON TO PROTEST AGAINST THE
PARTICIPATION OF POLISH TROOPS IN THE INVASION.

YUGOSLAVIA PLAYS HOST TO 50,000 C/S TOURISTS

MUNICH, AUG 22 (CMD) - ACCORDING TO THE CZECHOSLOVAK CONSULATE
GENERAL IN ZAGREB, 50,000 CZECHOSLOVAK TOURISTS ARE CURRENTLY
SPENDING THEIR HOLIDAYS ON THE DALMATIAN COAST AND IN OTHER PARTS
OF YUGOSLAVIA, RADIO ZAGREB REPORTED.

IN ORDER TO INFORM CZECHOSLOVAK TOURISTS ABOUT EVENTS IN THEIR
COUNTRY, RADIO ZAGREB ORGANIZED TWO DAILY NEWS BROADCASTS IN CZECH
LANGUAGE, THE RADIO SAID.

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