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CS - 1ST ADD - YUGOSLAVIANS CONDEMN SOVIET AGGRESSION (CN 51) XXX SAID.

THE PRESIDUM AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE "GIVE THEIR FULL SUPPORT TO THE JUSTIFIED DEMANDS OF THE LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVES OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE OCCUPYING FORCES, THE RESPECT OF THE PRINCIPLES OF SOVEREIGNTY AND INDEPENDENCE.. AND FOR THE RELEASE OF THE PEOPLE'S AND PARTY REPRESENTATIVES."

"THE LATEST DEVELOPMENT OF EVENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA SHOWS THAT IT IS NOT ONLY AN ATTACK ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA, BUT IT IS A SIGNIFICANT, DECISIVE HISTORICAL MOMENT, ABOUT RELATIONS AMONG SOCIALIST COUNTRIES AND ABOUT FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIALISM IN THE WORLD, ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS MOVEMENT AND ABOUT THE FATE OF PEACE IN EUROPE AND IN THE WORLD," THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID.

"THIS INTERVENTION REPRESENTS A HEAVY BLOW TO SOCIALIST AND ALL PROGRESSIVE FORCES IN THE WORLD... LEADS TO SHARPENING OF COLD WAR AND HAS FAR-REACHING NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES TO THE WHOLE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS."

THE PRESIDUM AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ALSO URGED THE YUGOSLAVS TO "CROWD TOGETHER CLOSER ROUND THE LEAGUE OF COMMUNISTS (PARTY) OF YUGOSLAVIA, AND TO "OPPOSE ENERGETICALLY ATTACKS FROM ANY SIDE ON THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF SOCIALISM.")

THE SESSION DECIDED TO CONVENE A FULL SESSION OF THE 153-STRONG CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE PARTY FRIDAY.

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