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C/S - HUNGARY SAYS PACT TROOPS DEFER FRATERNAL HELP (W/CN 94)

BUDAPEST AUG 22 (UPI)-- THE OFFICIAL HUNGARIAN NEWS AGENCY MTI TODAY SAID IN A LENGTHY PRESS ROUND-UP ON THE EVENTS IN NEIGHBORING CZECHOSLOVAKIA THAT WARSAW PACT FORCES, CAME "TO OFFER FRATERNAL INTERNATIONAL HELP, INCLUDING ARMED SUPPORT."

IT SAID INTERVENTION CAME "IN REPLY TO A REQUEST VOICED BY A GROUP OF CZECHOSLOVAK CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS." MTI DID NOT IDENTIFY ANY OF THE GROUP.

THE HUNGARIAN COMMUNIST PARTY ORGAN NEPSZABADSAG SAID RECENT EVENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA HAVE BEEN A"AIMED AT THE LEADING ROLE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY."

THE TRADE UNION ORGAN NEPSZAVA TERMED THE ARMED INTERVENTION BY THE SOVIET UNION, HUNGARY, EAST GERMANY, BULGARIA AND POLAND "ABSOLUTELY JUSTIFIED"BECAUSE "A DANGEROUS SITUATION"HAD ARISEN.

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