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CS - 1ST ADD 1015 INTRO CZECHOSLOVAK POLITICAL (CN 128) XXX OTHERS

THE BROADCAST SAID THAT AMONG THOSE WHO ARRIVED AT YESTERDAY'S MEETING WITH THE SOVIET OFFICERS WERE SLOVAK PARTY LEADER VASIL BILAK, PRESIDUM MEMBER DRAHOMIR KOLDER, CENTRAL COMMITTEE SECRETARY ALOIS INDRA, AND PRESIDUM MEMBER FRANTISEK BARBIREK.

THE FIRST THREE NAMED WERE PRAISED BY A POLISH NEWSPAPER YESTERDAY AS BEING LEFTWING LEADERS WHO HAD BEEN SUBJECTED TO AN OPEN CAMPAIGN BY CZECHOSLOVAK REVISIONIST FORCES.

MEANWHILE, DELEGATES TO THE 14TH PARTY CONGRESS APPARENTLY CONTINUE TO MAKE THEIR WAY TO PRAGUE, AND RADIO PLZEN WARNED THEM NOT TO GO TO THE HOTEL PRAHA, WHERE YESTERDAY'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING WAS HELD. THE HOTEL MIGHT BE A TRAP, IT SAID.

THE CZECHOSLOVAK NEWS AGENCY CETEKA HAS BEEN SILENCED BY OCCUPYING TROOPS, BUT RADIO STATIONS ARE STILL BROADCASTING FROM BRNO, CESKE BUDEJOVICE, PLZEN, USTI, NAD LABEM AND HRADEC KRALOVE.

THE PARTY PAPER RUDE PRAVO ALSO MANAGED TO APPEAR LAST NIGHT IN A CRUDE MIMEOGRAPHED EDITION WHICH WAS DISTRIBUTED BY YOUTHS ON THE TANK-RINGED MAIN SQUARE AND STREETS OF PRAGUE.

IT WAS THIS PAPER WHICH REVEALED THE DETENTION OF DUBCEK, SMRKOVSKY AND OTHERS.

RUDE PRAVO APPEALED TO THE PEOPLE NOT TO COLLABORATE WITH THE OCCUPYING TROOPS AND TO BEWARE OF ANY ALTERNATIVE GOVERNMENT MOSCOW MIGHT TRY TO SET UP.

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