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CEAUSESCU ALSO ASKED WHETHER THESE LEADING BODIES WERE THREATENING THE CAUSE OF SOCIALISM IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, THE COUNTRY'S INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY.

CEAUSESCU BEGAN HIS SPEECH BY SAYING THE RUMANIAN PARTY AND PEOPLE REGARDED THE MILITARY INTERVENTION "WITH DEEP CONCERN... AS A VIOLATION OF THE NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK REPUBLIC, AN INTERFERENCE... IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE FRATERNAL CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE..."

CEAUSESCU DECLARED THAT THE "CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE DESIRE TO BE FREE AND INDEPENDENT AND SOVEREIGN IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY, TO STRENGTHEN THE ALLIANCE AND COLLABORATION WITH THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES... DOES THIS MEAN A DANGER TO THE CAUSE OF SOCIALISM ?

"SINCE WHEN HAS THE PRINCIPLE OF SOCIALIST DEMOCRACY, OF SOCIALIST HUMANISM, THE PERFECTING OF SOCIALIST RELATIONS REPRESENTING THE ESSENCE OF A NEW SYSTEM, BECOME A COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY DANGER ?

HE SAID THAT "JUST THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PRINCIPLES GIVES STRENGTH AND SOLIDITY TO SOCIALIST SOCIETY AND SHOWS EVIDENTLY ITS SUPERIORITY OVER THE CAPITALIST SYSTEM..."

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