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CS - 1300 INTRO PRAVDA ATTACK ON DUBCEK

MUNICH, AUGUST 22 (CNR)- THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY NEWSPAPER PRAVDA TODAY DENOUNCED CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY LEADER ALEXANDER DUBCEK AS THE LEADER OF A RIGHTWING MINORITY IN THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY PRESIDUM.

PRAGUE RADIO STATIONS REPORTED THAT DUBCEK WAS TAKEN TO AN UNKNOWN PLACE OF DETENTION BY SOVIET TROOPS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA YESTERDAY.

IN A 13,000 WORD ARTICLE PRAVDA TODAY ACCUSED HIM OF DECEIT AND OF BETRAYING THE CZECHOSLOVAK-SOVIET AGREEMENT REACHED AT THE MEETING OF THE PRESIDUMS AT CIERNA NAD TISOU.

PRAVDA CLAIMED THAT AT THIS MEETING DUBCEK'S REFORMERS HAD BEEN IN A MINORITY IN THE CZECHOSLOVAK PRESIDUM AND HAD TAKEN "FRANKLY RIGHTWING OPPORTUNISTIC POSITIONS."

THE MAJORITY, IT SAID, HAD BEEN FOR A STRUGGLE AGAINST "REACTIONARY SOCIALIST FORCES."

PRAVDA CHARGED THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK REVISIONISTS HAD SPOKEN OF DEFENDING SOCIALISM ONLY AS A COVER AND HAD IN FACT CONNIVED AT COUNTER-REVOLUTION. THEY WANTED TO TURN THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY INTO "SOME SORT OF A DISCUSSION CLUB." THEY BROKE THE CIERNA NAD TISOU AND BRATISLAVA AGREEMENTS, IT SAID.

THE MASSIVE DOCUMENT ALSO ATTACKED OTHER CZECHOSLOVAK LIBERAL LEADERS BY NAME, ACCUSING THEM OF ENCOURAGING ANTI-SOVIET TRENDS, OF REORIENTING CZECHOSLOVAK TRADE POLICIES TOWARD THE WEST, AND OF LEAVING THE WESTERN BORDER "VIRTUALLY OPEN."

THIS SORT OF AN ATMOSPHERE, IT SAID, WAS COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE TO THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES.

"THE DESTINY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA AS A SOCIALIST STATE ... IS NOT ONLY AN INTERNAL MATTER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA...

THE DEFENCE OF SOCIALISM IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA ... IS A PROBLEM OF THE DEFENCE OF THE POSITIONS OF WORLD SOCIALISM."

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