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C/S -SHORTER ITEMS

X/9/13 CURT -- POLISH SOCIALIST EXILES IN BELGIUM DENOUNCE INVASION

BRUSSELS, AUG. 22 (RFE SPECIAL/DYBVIK) -- THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA HAS BEEN DENOUNCED IN A STATEMENT ISSUED TODAY BY THE BELGIAN BRANCH OF THE POLISH SOCIALIST PARTY IN EXILE.

THE STATEMENT SAID :

"THE COMMITTEE IN BELGIUM OF THE POLISH SOCIALIST PARTY IN EXILE, DENOUNCING THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA BY SOVIET FORCES AND THE FORCES OF OTHER COUNTRIES RULED BY COMMUNIST REGIMES, UNDERLINES THAT THE POLISH WORKERS HAVE NOTHING IN COMMON WITH THE MILITARY INTERVENTION OF THE COMMUNIST REGIME IN POLAND ENGAGED IN THE OCCUPATION ON THE ORDERS OF THE KREMLIN."

AIR FRANCE CANCELS FLIGHTS

PARIS, AUG. 22, REUTER -- AIR FRANCE CANCELLED ITS MORNING FLIGHT TO BUDAPEST TODAY BECAUSE THE AIRPORT THERE WAS CLOSED TO COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC, THE COMPANY ANNOUNCED.

IT SAID FLIGHTS OVER HUNGARIAN TERRITORY WERE ALSO FORBIDDEN.

DEATH, LOOTING, DESTRUCTION SAY C/S EMPLOYEES

LONDON, AUG. 22, REUTER - A MESSAGE FROM CZECHOSLOVAK AIRLINE EMPLOYEES SAID TODAY THAT PEOPLE IN THEIR COUNTRY WERE BEING KILLED, CULTURAL MONUMENTS BEING DESTROYED AND THAT LOOTING WAS TAKING PLACE.

THE CABLED MESSAGE--AN APPEAL FOR ALL AIRLINE EMPLOYEES TO SUPPORT CZECHOSLOVAKIA -- WAS RECEIVED IN AIRLINE OFFICES HERE AND IN OTHER CAPITALS.

THE CABLE, SIGNED BY "THE WORKING PEOPLE OF CZECHOSLOVAK AIRLINES", SAID: "PLEASE HELP US TO KEEP OUR FREEDOM... ORGANISE ACTIONS FOR SUPPORT FOR OCCUPIED CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

"OUR CITIZENS ARE BEING KILLED, OUR CULTURAL MONUMENTS ARE BEING DESTROYED AND THERE ARE EVEN SIGNS OF LOOTING," THE CABLE SAID.

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