

C/S.- USCP ORGAN ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA - EDITORIAL

NEW YORK, AUGUST 22 (RFE) - THE DAILY WORLD, OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE UNITED STATES COMMUNIST PARTY, COMMENTS EDITORIALY ON EVENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA:

THE NEWS ABOUT CZECHOSLOVAKIA CAME WITH TENSE SUDDENNESS TO ALL ITS FRIENDS. MILITARY FORCES OF FIVE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES HAD CROSSED THE BORDER INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA DESPITE THE FACT THAT ALL SOCIALISTS BELIEVE MILITARY METHODS ARE THE LEAST DESIRABLE WAY TO SOLVE POLITICAL PROBLEMS. FRIENDS OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA REALIZE THAT ONLY THE MOST EXTRAORDINARY REALITIES COULD COMPEL THE FIVE NATIONS TO BELIEVE THEY HAD NO OTHER CHOICE THAN TO MOVE AS THEY DID.

ALL FRIENDS OF FREEDOM SHOULD REALIZE THAT FOR THE FLOODGATES OF CROCODILE TEARS ARE OPEN. MEN WHO CAN BROOK THE NAPALM BURNING OF VIETNAMESE BABIES ARE NOW WEEPING UNCONTROLLABLY OVER THE AIRWAVES ABOUT CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

OLDER PROGRESSIVES WILL REMEMBER THAT ON MANY PREVIOUS OCCASIONS NIAGARAS OF MISREPRESENTATION OF THE DAY LATER CAME TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR THE LIES THEY WERE. THIS MUST BE BORNE IN MIND TODAY AS ENEMIES OF DEMOCRACY SWEAT DAY AND NIGHT TO MAKE HAY OF ALL THAT IS HAPPENING IN ALL THAT WE READ AND HEAR AND IN ALL OUR THINKING, THIS MUST NOT BE FORGOTTEN: IMPERIALISM REIGNS OVER THE WESTERN WORLD AND SO LONG AS IT EXISTS, ITS AGENTS - CIA AND ALL OTHER BRANDS - SPREAD SUBVERSIONS, FIRST OF THE MIND, THEN PHYSICAL REALITIES.

THE WORLD OF WORKINGMEN, BELIEVERS IN SOCIALISM. DEFENDERS OF PEACE, OF DEMOCRACY, HAD HOPED THAT THE BRATISLAVA AGREEMENT WOULD OPEN THE WAY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA. BUT WHAT HAPPENED THEN EVOKED THE RESPONSE OF THE FIVE NEIGHBORING SOCIALIST NATIONS?

UNTIL ALL OTHER FACTS ARE KNOWN, THIS MUCH APPEARS CLEAR TODAY: OPPONENTS OF THE SOCIALIST WAY OF LIFE, OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY, CONTINUED THEIR OPERATIONS. THESE INCLUDED A CALL TO ABOLISH THE WORKERS' MILITIA, A HIGHLY SUSPECT DEMAND. THEY JAMMED THE STREETS BEFORE THE COMMUNIST PARTY HEADQUARTERS IN PRAGUE, ONLY 72 HOURS AGO, JEERING AT THE LEADERS AND CHALLENGING THEM TO "COME AND GET IT!" THEY SET UP A REIGN OF TERROR AROUND THE 99 CZECH WORKINGMEN WHO HAD PUT THEIR NAMES ON A STATEMENT THANKING THE SOVIET PEOPLE FOR SMASHING THE WAR-TIME GESTAPO OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND FOR DARING TO SAY THAT THEY WOULD SLEEP BETTER IF THEY KNEW THE SOVIET ARMED MIGHT WAS AROUND TO DEFEND THEM AGAINST ALL ENEMIES. THIS WAS BEING BRANDED AS "TREASON" IN A NATION WHERE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD, WORKING-CLASS SOLIDARITY MUST BE THE KEYSTONE OF THE SOCIALIST STRUCTURE AND NATIONAL SECURITY. DOUBTLESS THESE 99 CZECH WORKING MEN SPOKE FOR MILLIONS IN THEIR COUNTRY WHO WERE MENTALLY SILENCED BY THE VOCIFEROUS "PROponents" OF A DEMOCRATIZATION WHICH THEY THEMSELVES FLOUTED. THERE WAS MUCH MORE OF ALL THIS.

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