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"THE FREE RADIO STATION OF PRAGUE" ADDED THAT IN SPITE OF THIS NO RPT NO ONE AS OF THE PRESENT COULD CONFIRM THAT "SOMEONE OR THAT SOME OFFICIAL CZECHOSLOVAK BODY " HAD INVITED THE OCCUPATION FORCES INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

THE PREMIER WAS INFORMED ABOUT THE ACTION OF THE WARSAW PACT SIGNATORIES AT THE MOMENT WHEN THE OCCUPATION FORCES HAD CROSSED THE CZECHOSLOVAK FRONTIERS, THE RADIO SAID.

RADIO FREE PRAGUE ADDED THAT KAREL MESTEK, VILEM NOVY, MILOS JAKES, JAN PILLER, ALOIS INDRA, FRANTISEK BARBIREK AND DRAHOMIR KOLDER HAD SHOWN UP AT A MEETING WITH THE OCCUPATION FORCES.

IN SPITE OF THIS THE MEETING OF ONE-THIRD OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS HAD ADOPTED A COMMUNIQUE SUPPORTING THE STAND BY THE PARTY PRESIDIUUM OPPOSING THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, THE RADIO REPORTED.

THE RADIO SAID THAT ONLY FIVE DELEGATES FROM SLOVAKIA HAD REACHED PRAGUE; "OTHER DELEGATES, LED BY VICE-PREMIER GUSTAV HUSAK AND PETER COLOTKA WERE DETAINED BY THE OCCUPATION AUTHORITIES NEAR BRECLAV" (SOUTHERN MORAVIA).

THE RADIO ADDED THAT INDRA WAS INVITING THE COUNTY PARTY SECRETARIES TO THE BUILDING OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE IN PRAGUE WHICH IS STILL OCCUPIED BY THE WARSAW PACT FORCES. INDRA ALSO CALLED ON THE SECRETARIES TO DEPART TO THEIR COUNTIES AND TO "QUIET THE SO-CALLED SITUATION AND TO START CONTACTS WITH THE COMMANDERS" (OF THE OCCUPATION FORCES). (RADIO FREE PRAGUE DOMESTIC/M AUG 22

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