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"THE ITALIAN PEOPLE WHO, FROM THE RISORGIMENTO (WAR TO CREATE THE KINGDOM OF ITALY) TO THE RESISTANCE (IN WORLD WAR TWO), HAS ALWAYS <sup>0</sup>FUGHT FOR INDEPENDENCE FROM THE FOREIGN YOKES, EXPRESSES ITS INDIGNATION OVER THE INVASION AND ITS SOLIDARITY WITH THE NOBLE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE.

"IN THE CERTAINTY THAT THE UNITED NATIONS WILL TAKE IMMEDIATE DECISIONS ON THE CZECHOSLOVAK TRAGEDY, THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT CALLS ON THE SOVIET UNION TO RE-ESTABLISH, BY THE WITHDRAWAL OF ITS TROOPS, INTERNATIONAL LEGALITY.

"IN FACE OF THE DRAMA WHICH CONVULSES EUROPE AND PERTURBS THE WORLD, ITALY -- NOTING THAT POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE AND THE RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY ARE ASSURED BY EE BY THE ATLANTIC PACT TO THE NATIONS WHICH ARE MEMBERS -- RECOGNIZES HER PERMANENT INTEREST IN THE EFFICACY OF THE ALLIANCE, A VALID GUARANTEE AGAINST ANY FOREIGN ATTACK ON HER FREE INSTITUTIONS.

"THE ATTAINMENT OF PEACE AND OF INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION DEMAND THE OVERCOMING OF ALL DIFIFICULTIES WHICH DELAY THE UNIFICATION OF WESTERN EUROPE."

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