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MUNICH, AUGUST 22 (CNR) RADIO PRAGUE BROADCASTING IN ENGLISH TONIGHT SAID THAT DELEGATES TO THE FOURTEENTH EXTRAORDINARY PARTY CONGRESS HAD BEEN MEETING IN PRAGUE SINCE 1118 THIS MORNING.

MORE DELEGATES WERE ON THEIR WAY TO THIS MEETING, THE BROADCAST SAID. HOWEVER ONLY FIVE SLOVASK⁶ HAD REACHED THE CAPITAL, THE RADIO ADDED. MOST OF THE SLOVAK DELEGATES HAD BEEN INTERCEPTED ON THEIR WAY FROM BRATISLAVA TO BRNO.

"THEIR PRESENT FATE IS NOT KNOWN," THE ANNOUNCER SAID.

THE BROADCAST, IN ENGLISH, FRENCH, GERMAN AND ITALIAN WAS PRECEDED BY THE USUAL RADIO PRAGUE CALL SIGNAL. THE ANNOUNCER SAID IN ENGLISH: "THIS IS RADIO PRAGUE BROADCASTING FROM PRAGUE". HE SAID RADIO WAS CONTINUING TO BROADCAST TO THE POPULACE.

REPORTING FURTHER ON THE EXTRAORDINARY PARTY CONGRESS THE ANNOUNCER SAID THAT THE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE RADIO WAS NOW ADDRESSING THE SESSION.

"THE CONGRESS IS TAKING PLACE WITHOUT THE LEADING MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT," HE ADDED.

THE ANNOUNCER SAID THAT FOUR GOVERNMENT MEMBERS WERE DRIVER AWAY IN A MILITARY VEHICLE LAST NIGHT. "THIS WAS CONFIRMED A LITTLE WHILE AGO BY PRESIDENT SOVOBDA, WHO HAS BEEN IN TELEPHONE CONTACT WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY," HE SAID.

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY HAD ALSO BEEN MEETING WITH 166 MEMBERS PRESENT THE ANNOUNCER SAID. THERE WAS ONE DISSENTING VOTE IN A RESOLUTION ON THE INVASION PASSED EARLIER TODAY. "THE FULL TEXT OF THIS WILL BE MADE PUBLIC LATER," THE BROADCAST SAID.

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