

## HANOI HEADLINES CSSR OCCUPATION

HONG KONG, AUG 22 (REUTER) - HANOI'S NEWSPAPERS GAVE FRONTPAGE PROMINENCE TODAY TO SOVIET REPORTS ON THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, THE OFFICIAL NORTH VIETNAM NEWS AGENCY REPORTED.

BOTH THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER, NHAN DAN, AND THE ARMY DAILY, QUAN DOI NHAN DAN, PRINTED THE FULL TEXT OF THE TASS NEWS AGENCY STATEMENT ON THE MILITARY OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

THEY ALSO REPROUCHED A HANOI COMMENTARY WHICH SAID THE MILITARY ACTION WAS CARRIED OUT AT THE REQUEST OF "STAUNCH MEMBERS" OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY AND OF CZECHOSLOVAK STATESMEN TO "HELP DEFEND THE SOCIALIST REGIME AND STATE."

BOTH THE OFFICIAL NEW CHINA NEWS AGENCY AND RADIO PEKING CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN SILENCE ON EVENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

## PRAGUE JOURNALISTS LEAVE WEST GERMANY FOR HOME

HAMBURG, AUG 22 (DPA/GND) - SIX PROMINENT CZECHOSLOVAK JOURNALISTS TOURING WEST GERMANY SINCE AUGUST 12 ON THE INVITATION OF THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC EBERT FOUNDATION BROKE OFF THEIR TOUR TODAY AND LEFT FOR HOME.

AMONG THEM WERE THE EDITOR IN CHIEF OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK GERMAN LANGUAGE PAPER "PRAGER VOLKSZEITUNG," VOJMIR SIMONEK, AND LADISLAV VALEK, EDITOR OF RADIO PRAGUE.

THE CZECHOSLOVAK JOURNALISTS TOURED NEWSPAPER AND AGENCY OFFICES IN BONN, FRANKFURT AND HAMBURG.

## CS UNIONS APPEAL TO WORLD

FRANKFURT, AUG 22 (DPA/GND) - A WEST GERMAN UNION SAID TODAY THAT IT HAD RECEIVED A MESSAGE FROM THE CZECHOSLOVAK CENTRAL COUNCIL OF UNIONS APPEALING ON ALL UNIONS OF THE WORLD TO PROTEST THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

THE WEST GERMAN METAL WORKERS UNION SAID IN FRANKFURT THAT IT HAD RECEIVED THE APPEAL BY TELEPHONE FROM PRAGUE.

THE APPEAL, "IN THE NAME OF THE FIVE AND A HALF MILLION CZECHOSLOVAK UNIONISTS AND ALL EMPLOYEES OF OUR LAND," CALLED ON ALL UNION ORGANIZATIONS OF THE WORLD TO PROTEST WITH ALL MEANS THE OCCUPATION IN THE INTERESTS OF HUMANITY.

"OUR LAND WAS OCCUPIED BECAUSE WE WANTED TO SECURE A HUMANITARIAN AND JUST SOCIALISM THAT BEST MET OUR CONDITIONS AND POSSIBILITIES," IT SAID.

THE CALL IS SIGNED BY "THE CENTRAL COUNCIL OF UNIONS AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE INDUSTRY UNION UNITS OF THE C.S.S.R."

## LITHUANIAN GROUP COMMENTS

NEW YORK, AUGUST 22 (RFE SPECIAL/SHELTON) -- THE SUPREME COMMITTEE FOR LIBERATION OF LITHUANIA ISSUED A STATEMENT TODAY CONDEMNING THE SOVIET ACTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. THE COMMITTEE SAYS THAT THE EVENTS "ONCE AGAIN DEMONSTRATE THAT THE DECLARATIONS ABOUT PEACE AND PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE, PERIODICALLY ISSUED BY THE SOVIETS, ARE NOTHING MORE THAN EMPTY AND DECEITFUL WORDS." THE STATEMENT CITES THE OCCUPATION OF LITHUANIA, LATVIA AND ESTONIA AND ENDS WITH A PROCLAMATION OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE.

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