

X/4'C/S - ALBANIA CONDEMNS INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA

MUNICH, AUG 23 (CMD) -- ALBANIA THURSDAY NIGHT CONDEMNED WHAT IT CALLED THE "BARBAROUS AGGRESSION" AGAINST CZECHOSLOVAKIA BY "THE SOVIET REVISIONISTS AND THEIR SATELLITES."

A GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNIST PARTY STATEMENT BROADCAST BY RADIO TIRANA SAID: "IN THIS TRAGIC MOMENT FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA, THE ALBANIAN WORKERS PARTY, THE ALBANIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE ALBANIAN PEOPLE EXPRESS TO THE FRATERNAL CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE THEIR SOLIDARITY AND INTERNATIONALIST SUPPORT.

"THE ALBANIAN COMMUNISTS AND THE ALBANIAN PEOPLE WILL ALWAYS SUPPORT THE STRUGGLE OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE FOR ITS LIBERTY."

THE STATEMENT ALSO SAID THAT "THE MILITARY INVASION INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA BY THE SOVIET REVISIONISTS AND THEIR SERVANTS IS THE FRUIT OF THE GLOBAL STRATEGY OF THE COLLABORATION OF THE SOVIET TRAITORS WITH AMERICAN IMPERIALISM.

"THE WARSAW PACT CHANGED FROM A PEACE PACT INTO A WAR PACT, FROM A DEFENSE PACT INTO A PACT OF IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION AGAINST THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES.

"THIS IS WHY THE ALBANIAN WORKERS PARTY AND THE ALBANIAN PEOPLE CONDEMN THIS AGGRESSIVE PACT AND DECLARE THAT THOSE WHO WILL TOUCH OUR SACRED TERRITORY OF ALBANIA, EVEN IF THEY ARE WARSAW PACT MEMBERS, WILL RECEIVE A DESERVED ANSWER AND DEATH BY THE ALBANIAN PEOPLE."

THE STATEMENT SAID THAT ALBANIA "CONSIDERS THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK TRAGEDY ARISES FROM THE SOVIET PARTY'S 20TH CONGRESS, WHICH CHANGED THE ROAD OF MARXISM- LENINISM, OF LENIN AND STALIN, INTO A REVISIONIST, REACTIONARY, KHRUSHEVIAN WAY."

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