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C/S -- YUGOSLAV STATEMENT AT U.N. (WITH CN 39)

UNITED NATIONS, AUG 23 (UPI)--YUGOSLAVIA FILED A STRONG STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA WITH THE SECURITY COUNCIL THURSDAY.

A FORMAL GOVERNMENT STATEMENT DEMOUNCING SOVIET INTERVENTION WAS SUBMITTED IN A LETTER FROM THE YUGOSLAV MISSION WITH A REQUEST THAT IT BE CIRCULATED AS AN OFFICIAL COUNCIL DOCUMENT.

THE STATEMENT SAID ARMED INTERVENTION IS "A GROSS VIOLATION" OF SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, INTERNATIONAL LAW AND THE U.N. CHARTER.

IT WARNED THAT COUNTRIES TAKING PART "ARE ASSUMING FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FAR-REACHING CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR ACTIONS." IT CALLED ON THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS FOUR COMMUNIST ALLIES TO GET OUT OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND "END WITHOUT DELAY THE OCCUPATION OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC."

THE LETTER WAS THE FIRST FORMAL ACTION TAKEN AT U.N. HEADQUARTERS BY YUGOSLAVIA SINCE THE CRISIS BEGAN.

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