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X/4 C/S - SVOBODA GOING TO TALKS WITH SOVIETS

MUNICH, AUG 23 (CM) -- CZECHOSLOVAK PRESIDENT LUDVIK SVOBODA ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT HE AND SIX OTHER CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS ARE GOING TO HAVE WHAT HE TERMED "DIRECT TALKS WITH THE HIGHEST REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SOVIET UNION."

SVOBODA WAS SPEAKING OVER THE FREE PRAGUE RADIO.

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