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C/S - 2ND ADD - 0900 INTRO: SOVIET VETO (CN 89) XXX TROOPS

THE RESOLUTION WHICH DREW RUSSIAS 105TH SECURITY COUNCIL VETO WOULD ALSO HAVE HAD THE COUNCIL CALL FOR THE WITHDRAWAL "FORTHWITH" OF THE ~~XXX~~ WARSAW PACT TROOPS WHO INVADED CZECHOSLOVAKIA WEDNESDAY.

THE U.S., BRITAIN, FRANCE, CANADA, DENMARK, BRAZIL, PARAGUAY, SENEGAL, ETHIOPIA AND NATIONALIST CHINA VOTED FOR THE DRAFT.

HUNGARY JOINED THE U.S.S.R. IN VOTING AGAINST IT.

ALGERIA, INDIA AND PAKISTAN ABSTAINED.

WHILE DEPLORING THE SOVIET ACTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, INDIAN AMBASSADOR GOPALASWAMI PARTHA-SARATHI SAID HE WAS UNABLE TO GO ALONG WITH CONDEMNATION OF IT.

ALGERIAN AMBASSADOR TEWFIK BOUATTOURA ALSO DEPLORED THE SOVIET INTERVENTION BUT HE SAW IN THE WESTERN INITIATIVE A STRONG COLD WAR ELEMENT.

THE BITTEREST EAST-WEST DEBATE IN RECENT MEMORY PRECEDED THE VOTE, AS SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER JACOB MALIK, ASSISTED BY BULGARIAN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MILKO TARABANOV, FILIBUSTERED FOR HOURS TO DELAY THE SHOWDOWN.

THE COUNCIL MET SHORTLY AFTER 10 P.M. LAST NIGHT 0300 MT TODAY) AND THE VOTE WAS FINALLY TAKEN FIVE-AND-A-HALF HOURS LATER.

MALIK AND BALL ENGAGED IN NAME-CALLING ON A SCALE UNHEARD IN THE U.N. SINCE FORMER U.S. AMBASSADOR HENRY CABOT LODGE AND THE LATE SOVIET AMBASSADOR ARKADY SOBOLEV WERE ADVERSARIES.

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