

X/13 CS - TRAFFIC DIVERTED FROM ONE BAVARIAN BORDER POINT

MUNICH, AUG.23 (GND/WALL)- THE BAVARIAN INTERIOR MINISTRY SAID TODAY THAT CZECHOSLOVAK TRAFFIC HEADING FOR ONE BORDER CROSSING POINT WITH WEST GERMANY HAD BEEN DIVERTED FOR SEVERAL HOURS LAST NIGHT.

A MNISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID THAT TRAVELLERS HEADING FOR WAIDHAUS HAD BEEN DIVERTED BEFORE 2000 MT YESTERDAY ABOUT 40 KILOMETERS WITHIN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND SENT TOWARD THE BORDER CROSSING POINT AT FUERTH IN WALD.

TRAFFIC RETURNED TO NORMAL DURING THE EARLY MORNING HOURS TODAY, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

TRAVELERS REPORTED THAT THE REASON FOR THE DIVERSION APPEARED TO BE TROOP MOVEMENTS, HE ADDED.

TRAFFIC AT WAIDHAUS AND FUERTH IM WALD CROSSINGS IS NORMAL IN BOTH DIRECTIONS. ONLY CZECHOSLOVAKS ARE BEING ALLQWED TO ENTER AT SCHIRNDING BUT ALL ARE BEING ALLOWED TO LEAVE.

CZECHOSLOVAK OFFICIALS REMAIN IN CHARGE AT THE BORDER STATIONS.

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