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X/4 C/S - RADIO FREE PRAGUE CALLS FOR CALM

MUNICH, AUG 23 (CMD) - RADIO FREE PRAGUE TODAY CALLED FOR CALM IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND ALSO COMMENTED ON THE SITUATION IN THE COMMUNIST CAMP.

THE RADIO SAID AT 0958 MT TODAY:

"THE FAILURE OF THE FORTHCOMING NOVEMBER MEETING IS A PRICE WHICH THE SOVIETS HAD TO PAY FOR OPPRESSING US. AND WE MUST ALSO BE AWARE OF THE FACT THAT IT IS AN EXTREMELY HIGH PRICE...

"THEY HAVE NOT RPT NOT COUNTED ON THE FACT THAT NOT RPT NOT EVEN GENERAL KODAJ OR THAT... BARBIREK WILL NOT RPT NOT BE WILLING TO COLLABORATE. IN THIS LIES OUR STRENGTH, THE STRENGTH OF THE OPPOSITION OF THE PARTY AND STATE BODIES, AND WE, THE RANK-AND-FILE CITIZENS, HAVE TWO BASIC DUTIES IN THIS HISTORICAL MOMENT:

"FIRST, TO MAINTAIN CALM WITHIN OUR OWN RANKS. ONLY THUS CAN WE FULFILL THE SECOND DUTY, THAT IS AN EFFICIENT SUPPORT TO THE APPARATUS OF THE PARTY AND OF THE STATE. WE HAVE TO DIRECT OUR EVERY EFFORT TOWARD HELPING THE STATE AND PARTY BOEDIES IN THEIR WORK. WE HAVE TO TRST THEM. IT HAS APPEARED THAT THERE IS UNITY WITHIN THEIR RANKS."

"PEOPLE'S MILITIA, STATE SECURITY (POLICE), AND THE ARMY ARE ON OUR SIDE. I SAID THAT WE HAVE TO CONTROL OUR FEELINGS AND TO DISPLAY COMMON SENSE. IF WE WILL NOT RPT NOT DO IT, WE CAN NOT RPT NOT FULFILL TWO OF OUR CITIZENS'S DUTIES. AND IF WE DO NOT RPT NOT FULFILL THEM WE WILL BETRAY OURSELVES."

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