

X/13/4 C/S - ONE-HOUR STRIKE

WAIDHAUS, AUGUST 23 (RFE SPECIAL MARSH-KYPENA/CNR)

CZECHOSLOVAK BORDER GUARDS AT THE WAIDHAUS FRONTIER CROSSING POINT TODAY TOOK PART IN A ONE-HOUR GENERAL STRIKE AND CLOSED THE BORDER TO ALL VEHICLES AT 1200 MUNICH TIME.

THE GUARDS ATTACHED A CRUDELY WRITTEN POSTER TO THE BORDER BARRIER SAYING THEY WERE STRIKING BETWEEN 12 AND 1300 MUNICH TIME AND WALKED A WAY FROM THEIR POSTS.

AT 1300, THREE OF THE ARMED CZECH GUARDS RETURNED TO THEIR BORDER POST, REMOVED THE SIGN AND TRAFFIC BEGAN MOVING AGAIN.

WESTERN NEWSAGENCIES REPORTED FROM PRAGUE THAT A ONE-HOUR STRIKE BEGAN IN THE CAPITAL AT NOON.

REUTERS AND DPA SAID THAT SIRENS SIGNALLED THE START OF THE STRIKE AT 1200 M.T.

UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL QUOTED A RADIO FREE CZECHOSLOVAKIA BROADCAST.

A STATION IDENTIFYING ITSELF A RADIO FREE CZECHOSLOVAKIA MONITORED IN MUNICH AT 1255 M.T. SAID THAT A SIREN SOUNDED IN PRAGUE A FEW MINUTES BEFORE THE BROADCAST MARKING THE END OF "THE PROTEST STRIKE."

RADIOS FREE PRAGUE, HRADEC KRALOVE AND PLZEN REPORTED TODAY THAT THE PRAGUE TELEPHONE EXCHANGE HAS BEEN INVADDED BY THE OCCUPATION FORCES.

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