

X/4 GDR - EAST GERMANY WANTS TO PARTICIPATE IN SECURITY COUNCIL TALKS

MUNICH, AUGUST 23 (CMD)- EAST GERMANY TODAY DEMANDED TO BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CURRENT SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

A LETTER BY FOREIGN MINISTER OTTO WINZER, REPORTED BY ADN NEWS AGENCY, SAID THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL HAD PLACED THE CZECHOSLOVAK ISSUE "INADMISSABLY" ON ITS AGENDA.

IT SAID THAT THE "GDR GOVERNMENT STRESSES MOST EMPHATICALLY THAT THE PROTECTION AND THE CONSOLIDATION OF SOCIALISM IN THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC IS SERVING THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN EUROPE."

"FOR THESE REASONS," THE LETTER GOES ON TO SAY, "THE GDR GOVERNMENT MUST INSIST ON TAKING PART IN THE DISCUSSION OF THESE QUESTIONS THROUGH A PLENIPOTENTIARY REPRESENTATIVE. THE PLENIPOTENTIARY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GDR GOVERNMENT IS READY TO START HIS JOURNEY AT ANY TIME."

"I REQUEST YOUR IMMEDIATE REPLY," WINZER CLOSED HIS LETTER, WHICH WAS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL.

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