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X/4 C/S - AGERPRES REPEATS PARLIAMENTARY DEMAND FOR TROOP WITHDRAWAL

MUNICH, AUGUST 23 (CMD)-- THE RUMANIAN NEWSAGENCY AGERPRES TONIGHT RE-TRANSMITTED THE TEXT OF YESTERDAY'S GRAND NATIONAL ASSEMBLY DECLARATION WHICH DENOUNCED THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

THE DECLARATION SAID THAT THAT THE WARSAW PACT HAD BEEN CREATED FOR DEFENCE AGAINST IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION, "AND CAN FOR NO REASON AND IN NO CASE BE INVOKED FOR MILITARY ACTIONS AGAINST A SOCIALIST COUNTRY."

IT EMPHASISED THAT REQUESTS FOR MILITARY HELP FROM OTHER WARSAW PACT MEMBER COUNTRIES "ARE THE EXCLUSIVE CONCERN OF THE LAWFUL BODIES OF THE RESPECTIVE STATE. THEY, AND ONLY THEY, ARE ABLE TO TAKE DECISIONS IN PROBLEMS OF SUCH MAJOR SIGNIFICANCE."

IT EXPRESSED ITS DISAPPROVAL OF THE "INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE, AND OF THE MILITARY INTERVENTION," AND CALLED FOR THE "IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN TROOPS FROM THE TERRITORY OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC."

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