

VIENNA, AUG 23 (RFE SPECIAL/KOSTRBA)- THE WARSAW PACT MILITARY INTERVENTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS TONIGHT CALLED "AN ARBITRARY ACT OF VIOLENCE" BY AUSTRIAN COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBER AND LEADING IDEOLOGIST, DR.ERNST FISCHER.

INTERVIEWED BY AUSTRIAN TELEVISION, FISCHER DEFINED THE IDEOLOGICAL EVOLUTION UNDER DUBCEK AS THE BEGINNING OF A DEMOCRATIC REVOLUTION BASED ON PRINCIPLES OF SOCIALIST ECONOMY.

THE APPEAL OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK EXPERIMENT PROVIDED THE IDEAS OF SOCIALIST COMMUNISM WITH EXCEPTIONAL ATTRACTION AND REPRESENTED A NEW HOPE FOR THE WORKERS MOVEMENT.

"BUT THESE HOPES WERE SHATTERED BY SOVIET TANKS", FISCHER SAID.

QUESTIONED ABOUT THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE WORLD COMMUNIST MOVEMENT, FISCHER ADMITTED THAT THERE ARE THREE TRENDS TO BE DISCERNED AT PRESENT: THE CHINESE, THE SOVIET AND WHAT FISCHER CALLED THE "MODERN, PROGRESSIVE WESTERN TREND".

THE SOVIET INTERVENTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA REPRESENTS "A MIXTURE OF MADNESS AND CRIME COMMITTED AGAINST THE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS MOVEMENT. IT IS THE RESULT OF GROWING SOVIET IMPERIALISM AND TRADITIONAL SOVIET FEAR OF FREEDOM", FISCHER SAID.

TRYING TO EXPLAIN THIS PHENOMENON, FISCHER STRESSED THAT IN RUSSIAN HISTORY THERE IS AN EVIDENT LACK OF HUMANISTIC AND DEMOCRATIC TRADITIONS. THIS SHORTCOMING HAS HELPED TO SHAPE THE SOVIET TYPE OF COMMUNISM.

"THE TRADITIONAL SOVIET RIGIDITY OF THOUGHT AND LACK OF UNDERSTANDING FOR OTHER NATIONS AND THEIR HISTORICAL BACKGROUND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SOVIETS USING IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA TANKS AND GUNS INSTEAD OF VALID ARGUMENTS", FISCHER SAID.

"MY LATE FRIEND TOGLIATTI TRIED IN VAIN TO MAKE THE SOVIETS UNDERSTAND THE NEW TRENDS WITHIN COMMUNISM BUT HE FAILED.SO DID DUBCEK", FISCHER CONCLUDED.

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