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C/S -- 5TH ADD COUNCIL MEETS (CN 25) XXX TROOPS

BALL RECALLED THAT THE BRITISH DELEGATE, LORD CARADON, HAD ASKED THE SOVIET DELEGATE YESTERDAY ABOUT THE FATE AND WELFARE OF CERTAIN CZECHOSLOVAKS, AND HAD CALLED FOR ASSURANCES THAT THESE PEOPLE WOULD NOT BE HARMED. "WE HAVE HAD NO ANSWERS," SAID BALL.

BALL SAID THE MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL WERE OBLIGATED TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THE WELFARE OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS, WHOSE ONLY FAULT HAD BEEN THAT THEY STOOD FOR FREEDOM.

THE BEST THE SECURITY COUNCIL COULD DO TO FOR THE SAFETY OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS WAS TO ASK THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO SEND HIS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA TO FIND OUT THE FACTS.

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