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C/S -- 2D ADD TALKS CONTINUE TODAY (CN 84) XXX TODAY

YUGOSLAV PRESIDENT TITO TOLD THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE THAT YUGOSLAVIA WOULD DEFEND HERSELF IF HER INDEPENDENCE WAS THREATENED "NO MATTER FROM WHERE THE DANGER MIGHT COME."

TITO SAID THAT THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS "AN UNPROVOKED ATTACK." HE SAID HE FOUND THE ACTIONS OF THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP "INCREDIBLE."

IN BUCHAREST RUMANIAN STATE AND PARTY CHAIRMAN CEAUSESCU MET CZECHOSLOVAK DEPUTY PREMIER SIK AND MINISTER OF ECONOMIC PLANNING VLASAK ON FRIDAY. BOTH HAD TRAVELLED FROM BELGRADE. RADIO BUCHAREST SAID THEIR TALKS WERE HELD IN A COMRADELY, CORDIAL ATMOSPHERE.

CEAUSESCU, PREMIER MAURER AND OTHER LEADERS WATCHED A FOUR-HOUR MILITARY PARADE FRIDAY AND DURING THE PARADE THERE WERE DEMANDS FOR THE IMMEDIATE END OF MILITARY INTERVENTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, ACCORDING TO THE RUMANIAN NEWS AGENCY.

IN WASHINGTON, CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS ATTENDED A TWO-HOUR SPECIAL WHITE HOUSE BRIEFING ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND LATER CONDEMNED THE INTERVENTION. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER JOHN MCCORMACK CALLED THE SOVIET MOVE "RAW AND NAKED AGGRESSION."

IN PARIS, TWO OF FRANCE'S THREE BIGGEST LABOR UNIONS HAVE CALLED FOR A "SILENT AND DIGNIFIED" DEMONSTRATION MONDAY IN SUPPORT OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

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