

PROTEST DELIVERED TO SHIP

LONDON AUGUST 24--(RFE SPECIAL/HOOD)--A DEPUTATION OF TOWNSPEOPLE AT SHOREHAM IN SUSSEX YESTERDAY DELIVERED PROTESTS ABOUT THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA TO THE RUSSIAN TIMBER SHIP HAAPSALU.

MEMBERS OF THE CREW DISAPPEARED BELOW DECK AS THE DEPUTATION OF FIVE APPROACHED, BUT EVENTUALLY A YOUNG RUSSIAN SEAMAN WAS HANDED TWO PROTEST NOTES FOR THE CAPTAIN.

BOYCOTT ON STAMPS

LONDON AUGUST 24--(RFE SPECIAL/HOOD)--DOUGLAS WATSON, A STAMP DEALER AT EXETER, ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT HE HAS CEASED SELLING RUSSIAN STAMPS IN PROTEST AGAINST THE INVASION.

HE SAID HE HOPES OTHER BRITISH DEALERS WILL FOLLOW SUIT AND JEOPARDISE THE SALE OF RUSSIAN STAMPS TO BRITISH COLLECTORS WHICH HE SAID APPROACHES A TURNOVER OF NEARLY 4.8 MILLION DOLLARS ANNUALLY.

JEWISH SHOCK AND DISMAY

LONDON, AUGUST 24 (RFE SPECIAL/HOOD)THE PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS, DR. NAHUM GOLDMANN, SAID IN A STATEMENT ISSUED IN LONDON YESTERDAY THAT WORLD JEWERY FEELS A SENSE OF SHOCK AND PROFOUND SYMPATHY WITH THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE FOLLOWING THE RUSSIAN MILITARY OCCUPATION.

"WE PAY HOMAGE TO THIS GALLANT NATION," HE SAID, "WHICH NOW, FOR THE THIRD TIME THIS CENTURY, IS ENGAGED IN AN HEROIC AND UNEQUAL STRUGGLE TO DEFEND ITS RIGHT TO INDEPENDENCE AND THE LIBERTIES OF ITS CITIZENS."

MINEWORKERS TRIP TO GDR CANCELLED

LONDON AUGUST 24--(RFE SPECIAL/HOOD)--THE COMMUNIST GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE NATIONAL UNION OF MINEWORKERS, WILL PAYNTER, YESTERDAY CANCELLED A SCHEDULED VISIT TO EAST GERMANY.

HE SAID IT IS "A GESTURE OF PROTEST AGAINST MILITARY INTERVENTION WHICH IS BOTH UNWARRANTED AND BRUTAL. THIS INVASION WILL PUT THE CLOCK BACK TEN YEARS AND DO IRREPARABLE HARM TO HOPES OF RENEWED FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN EAST AND WEST."

WITHDRAWAL FROM POLISH SONG FESTIVAL

LONDON AUGUST 24--(RFE SPECIAL/HOOD)--PATSY MACLEAN, BBC ENTRANT IN AN INTERNATIONAL SONG FESTIVAL IN POLAND, WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THE CONTEST YESTERDAY.

KENNETH BAYNES, BBC HEAD OF POPULAR MUSIC, WHO FLEW BACK TO LONDON YESTERDAY WITH MISS MACLEAN, SAID:

"I SPOKE WITH THE EMBASSY IN WARSAW AND GATHERED THE IMPRESSION THAT IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND THE WAY IN WHICH THE SITUATION WAS DEVELOPING IT WOULD BE BEST FOR US TO PULL OUT."

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