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X/4 C/S -- DEPUTY INTERIOR MINISTER DETAINED BY RUSSIANS

(ATTRIBUTION REQUIRED)

MUNICH, AUG 24 (CMD)-- RADIO FREE PRAGUE TONIGHT QUOTED CZECHOSLOVAK INTERIOR MINISTER JOSEF PAVEL AS SAYING HIS FIRST DEPUTY MINISTER STANISLAV PADRUNEK "IS BEING DETAINED BY SOVIET SECURITY ORGANS AT AN UNKNOWN PLACE."

RADIO FREE PRAGUE CARRIED A REPORT BY PAVEL ADDRESSED TO EVERYONE AT THE INTERIOR MINISTRY.

THE REPORT SAID PAVEL MET AT MIDDAY TODAY WITH DEPUTY INTERIOR MINISTER JAN MAJER AND WITH THE CHIEF OF THE MAIN ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE SECURITY COLONEL JOSEF HRUBY, BOTH OF WHOM RETURNED FROM VACATIONS ABROAD.

PAVEL ANNOUNCED THAT BOTH MAJER AND HRUBY RESUMED THEIR FUNCTIONS AND DEPUTY MINISTER JAN MAJER WAS AT THE SAME TIME CHARGED <sup>TO</sup> REPRESENT THE PRESENTLY DETAINED PADRUNEK.

(RADIO FREE PRAGUE DOMESTIC/M, AUG 24, 2039)

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