

X/13--CURT -- UNITA PRINTS "MANIFESTO" ON CSSR SITUATION

ROME, AUG. 25--(RFE SPECIAL/TEMPEST)---ITALY'S COMMUNIST DAILY, UNITA, TODAY PUBLISHED WHAT IT CALLED A "MANIFESTO" ISSUED BY THE PARTY DIRECTORATE REITERATING THE PARTY'S VIEWS ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

SO-CALLED MANIFESTOES IN ITALY OFTEN APPEAR AS POSTERS POSTED ON WALLS AROUND THE COUNTRY. THERE WAS NO RPT NO SIGN OF A POSTER VERSION OF THE PRESENT MANIFESTO TODAY IN ROME, HOWEVER.

THE MANIFESTO, ISSUED YESTERDAY, SAID".

"THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY HAS EXPRESSED ITS REPROVAL FOR THE MILITARY INTERVENTION OF THE SOVIET UNION AND OTHER COUNTRIES OF THE WARSAW PACT IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA., AND HAS ASKED THE COMMUNIST PARTIES OF THESE COUNTRIES TO ACCEPT THE CZECHOSLOVAK REQUESTS FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS AND FOR THE RETURN OF THE LEADERS AND OF THE ORGANISMS OF THE CZECH (SIC) PARTY AND GOVERNMENT TO THE FREE CARRYING OUT OF THEIR WORK.

"WE ARE FOR SOCIALISM IN ITALY AND IN THE WORLD; WE ARE FOR THE UNITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' MOVEMENT IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST IMPERIALISM AND FOR PEACE. WE ARE CONVINCED THAT THIS UNITY MUST BE BASED ON FULL RESPECT FOR THE INDEPENDENCE OF EVERY COUNTRY AND THE AUTONOMY OF EVERY PARTY.

"IN THIS DRAMATIC MOMENT, ALL THE DEMOCRATIC AND LEFT FORCES REJECT THE ATTEMPT OF REACTIONARY FORCES TO NOURISH A CAMPAIGN AGAINST SOCIALISM AND TO SET ASIDE THE ITALIAN POLITICAL SITUATION; AND THEY FIGHT FOR AND THEY FIGHT FOR A POLICY OF THE OVERCOMING OF MILITARY BLOCS AND OF PROFOUND RENEWAL OF THE COUNTRY.

"THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY, ROME AUG. 24. 1968."

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