

CN 124 (ATTRIBUTION REQUIRED)

X/4 C/S - SLOVAK CENTRAL COMMITTEE POSTPONES CONGRESS

(RELEADS CN 104)

MUNICH, AUG 25 (CMD)- THE SLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE DECIDED TODAY TO POSTPONE THE EXTRAORDINARY SLOVAK PARTY CONGRESS SCHEDULED FOR TOMORROW AND DEMANDED THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK-SOVIET TALKS IN MOSCOW BE SPEEDED UP.

THE DECISION AND THE DEMAND WERE CONTAINED IN AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE ABOUT A SESSION OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE IN BRATISLAVA BROADCAST BY "RADIO ON THE DANUBE."

ACCORDING TO THE COMMUNIQUE, THE PLENUM "UNANIMOUSLY" AGREED THAT:

"1) WE HAVE NOT RPT NOT AGREED AND DO NOT RPT NOT AGREE WITH THE UNJUSTIFIED OCCUPATION OF OUR TERRITORY BY TROOPS OF THE WARSAW TREATY. WE DEMAND THEIR IMMEDIATE DEPARTURE.

"2) THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE SLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY EXPRESSES REGRET OVER THE FACT THAT CITIZENS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK REPUBLIC BECAME VICTIMS OF TRAGIC EVENTS AND IN THE NAME OF THE SLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE NAME OF OUR NATIONS EXPRESSES DEEP SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILIES OF THOSE DECEASED;

"3) WE RECOGNIZE ONLY THE LEGALLY ELECTED ORGANS OF THE PARTY AND STATE, THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PARTY WITH COMRADE DUBCEK AT THE HEAD AND THE ORGANS HEADED BY COMRADES CERNIK AND SMRKOVSKY. WE DEMAND THAT THE INTERNED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARTY AND STATE BE FREED AND CONDITIONS FOR AN ORDERLY ACTIVITY OF LEGAL BODIES BE NORMALIZED.

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