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BELGRADE, AUG 25 (CMD)- YUGOSLAVS HAVE CONTINUED TO DEMONSTRATE AGAINST THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, TANJUG REPORTED TODAY.

NEARLY 100,000 PERSONS GATHERED IN THE LARGE LIBERTY SQUARE OF NOVI SAD LAST NIGHT.

AT THE RALLY, MIRKO TEPAVAC, PRESIDENT OF THE VOJVODINA COMMUNIST PARTY, SHARPLY CONDEMNED THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND SAID IT WAS TRAGIC THAT THE RED FLAGS OF FREEDOM WERE NOW SOAKED WITH THE BLOOD OF A PEOPLE THAT CARRIED THOSE FLAGS AS ITS SYMBOL.

TEPAVAC SAID THE OCCUPATION WAS A HEAVY BLOW TO SOCIALISM AND AN IMPETUS TO ANTI-COMMUNIST HYSTERIA IN THE WORLD. BUT HE STRESSED THAT THE CONDEMNATION BY OTHER COMMUNIST COUNTRIES AND "THE ENTIRE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS MOVEMENT" PROVED THAT THIS WAS NOT RPT NOT THE NATURE OF SOCIALISM BUT ITS BETRYAL.

OTHER LARGE RALLIES WERE HELD IN SARAJEVO, SREMSKA MITROVICA, SVETOZAREVO, RIJEKA AND OTHER YUGOSLAV TOWNS.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE BELGRADE CITY CONFERENCE OF THE SOCIALIST ALLIANCE DENOUNCED THE OCCUPATION LAST NIGHT.

TANJUG PUBLISHED TODAY A SPEECH BY MIROSLAV PECUJLIC, MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE OF THE YUGOSLAV COMMUNIST PARTY.

THE SPEECH, MADE TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FRIDAY, WARNED AGAINST THE DANGER FROM "REACTIONARY MOVES IN SOCIALIST SOIL."

PECUJLIC SAID THAT YUGOSLAVIA WAS LIKELY TO BE TARGET OF A POWER-IDEOLOGICAL OFFENSIVE AND CRITICIZED "BULGARIAN REVANCHISM AND NATIONALISM." (TANJUG, AUG 25)

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