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PARIS, AUG 26 (RFE SPECIAL/EDWARDS)---THE POLITBURO OF THE FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY HAS CALLED FOR A "POSITIVE SOLUTION" OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK CRISIS EMBRACING WITHDRAWAL OF "THE FORCES OF INTERVENTION".

THE PARTY STATEMENT, PUBLISHED THIS MORNING BY THE FRENCH COMMUNIST DAILY, L'HUMANITE, SAID "A GRAVE SITUATION" HAD BEEN CREATED BY THE MILITARY INTERVENTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND THE FRENCH PARTY HOPED THAT THE MOSCOW TALKS WOULD PRODUCE A POSITIVE SOLUTION.

"BY A POSITIVE SOLUTION, THE POLITBURO MEANS AN AGREEMENT COMPRISING BEFORE EVERYTHING ELSE THE NORMALIZATION OF THE SITUATION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK GOVERNMENT AND PARTY AND THEIR INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS. THIS IMPLIES THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE FORCES OF INTERVENTION."

IN AN ACCOMPANYING EDITORIAL, CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBER RENE ANDRIEU CALLED THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA "A TERRIBLE MISTAKE" AND SAID THAT IF THE WORST WAS TO BE AVOIDED IT WAS NECESSARY THAT THE WARSAW PACT FORCES BE PULLED OUT.

ANDRIEU CALLED THE MOSCOW TALKS AN EVENT OF "CAPITAL IMPORTANCE", ESPECIALLY SINCE DUBCEK AND OTHER LEADERS WERE PARTICIPATING. "THE SITUATION IN PRAGUE AND THE WHOLE COUNTRY SHOWS...THAT WITHOUT THEIR PRESENCE OR THEIR AGREEMENT, THE CONVERSATIONS WOULD BE STRIPPED OF ALL EFFECT."

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