

PARIS EMBASSY DEMANDS UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL

PARIS AUG 26 (RFE SPECIAL/ EDWARDS) -- MEMBERS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY IN PARIS HAVE DEMANDED THE IMMEDIATE AND UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL OF INVADING FORCES FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

A STATEMENT PUBLISHED IN PARIS BY THE FRENCH COMMUNIST DAILY, L'HUMANITE, SAID THAT EMBASSY OFFICIALS AND CZECHOSLOVAK CITIZENS IN PARIS HAD GATHERED SATURDAY AND HAD REAFFIRMED THEIR FULL SUPPORT FOR "THE LEGAL LEADERSHIP OF OUR PARTY AND THE STATE".

THE STATEMENT SAID: "WE CONDEMN THE VIOLENT, ILLEGAL AND UNJUSTIFIABLE OCCUPATION OF OUR COUNTRY... WE SUPPORT WITHOUT RESERVE THE JUST DEMANDS OF THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE AND PARTY..." THESE DEMANDS INCLUDED THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF ALL CZECHOSLOVAKS ARRESTED OR INTERNED, A RETURN TO NORMAL FUNCTIONING OF ALL STATE AND PARTY AUTHORITIES, THE IMMEDIATE AND UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL OF THE OCCUPYING FORCES.

"WE ARE IN FULL AGREEMENT WITH... THE DECISIONS OF THE EXTRAORDINARY FOURTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY AND WE CONSIDER THE ORGANS ELECTED BY THIS CONGRESS TO BE THE ONLY ONES AUTHORIZED TO ACT IN THE NAME OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY.

NEW DELHI ENVOY REPORTS CONDITIONS

NEW DELHI, AUG 26, REUTER - THE CZECHOSLOVAK CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN NEW DELHI, S. SMYSL, TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE TODAY THAT THE SOVIET-CZECHOSLOVAK TALKS IN MOSCOW COULD SUCCEED ONLY IF WARSAW PACT FORCES WERE WITHDRAWN FROM HIS COUNTRY.

SMYSL SAID THE CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS HAD LAID DOWN THREE CONDITIONS BEFORE AGREEING TO THE KREMLIN TALKS -- THAT DETAINED CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS BE RELEASED, NORMAL LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITY BE PERMITTED AND THE OCCUPYING FORCES BE WITHDRAWN.

IT WAS A LIE TO SAY THESE FORCES WERE INVITED INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA MR SMYSL SAID.

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