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THE CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY IN BELGRADE ISSUED A STATEMENT YESTERDAY WHICH SAID THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS LONG PLANNED AND THE MEETINGS AT CIERNA NAD TISOU AND BRATISLAVA WERE AIMED AT MISLEADING CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY OFFICIALS IN BUCHAREST, RUMANIA, LAST FRIDAY SENT A TELEGRAM TO THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY LEADERSHIP WHICH CALLED FOR THE IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF OCCUPYING FORCES, SUPPORTED THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY LEADERSHIP OF PARTY CHIEF ALEXANDER DUBCEK, AND DEMANDED THEIR IMMEDIATE LIBERATION.

ALSO ON FRIDAY, THE CZECHOSLOVAK AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW DELIVERED TWO NOTES TO THE SOVIET DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER VASILY KUZNETSOV WHICH DEMANDED THE WITHDRAWAL OF OCCUPATION TROOPS FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

IN EAST GERMANY, THE CZECHOSLOVAK AMBASSADOR HANDED PANKOW A SPECIAL STATEMENT LAST THURSDAY WHICH ANNOUNCED THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK STATE AND COMMUNIST PARTY LEADERS WOULD KEEP THEIR POSTS AND CONDEMNED THE OCCUPATION.

THE CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY IN ROME ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE LAST WEDNESDAY WHICH SAID THE PRESENCE OF SOVIET TROOPS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS AGAINST THE WILL OF THE LEGAL CZECHOSLOVAK GOVERNMENT.

IN SYDNEY, THE CZECHOSLOVAK CONSULAR GENERAL CHARLES FRANC AND HIS ENTIRE STAFF SAID THEY WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE DUBCEK GOVERNMENT.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S REFORMIST LEADERS ALSO GAINED SUPPORT FROM THE CZECHOSLOVAK DIPLOMATS WORKING IN THE UNITED NATIONS WHO LAST THURSDAY CONDEMNED THE INVASION AS A THREAT TO PEACE.

THE CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY IN LAGOS, NIGERIA, LAST THURSDAY SAID IT WILL NOT RPT NOT "RECOGNIZE ANY PUPPET GOVERNMENT WHICH MIGHT BE SET UP BY THE OCCUPANTS AGAINST THE WILL OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE."

IN WASHINGTON, D.C., THE CZECHOSLOVAK AMBASSADOR TO THE U.S. THURSDAY CONVEYED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT A DECLARATION BY HIS COUNTRY'S NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING THE GOVERNMENT'S PROTEST TO THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS WARSAW PACT ALLIES OVER "THE ILLEGAL OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA."

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