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COPENHAGEN, AUG 26 -- (RFE SPECIAL/THOMSON) -- DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER POUL HARTLING SAID LAST NIGHT THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK SITUATION MAY SERVE TO STRENGTHEN UNITY WITHIN NATO.

SPEAKING TO NEWSMEN, HARTLING SAID "THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA WILL PERHAPS MEAN A STRENGTHENING OF UNITY WITHIN NATO, AND WILL MAKE IT CLEAR THAT NATO NOW IS AS IMPORTANT AS EVER BEFORE."

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