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MARKTREDWITZ, WEST GERMANY, AUG 26 (DPA/GND)- CZECHOSLOVAKIA CLOSED TONIGHT ALL THREE BORDER CROSSINGS WITH WEST GERMANY FOR ALL TRAVELLERS FROM WEST GERMANY AND OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES, BAVARIAN BORDER POLICE SAID HERE TONIGHT.

WESTERNERS ALREADY HAVING A CZECHOSLOVAK ENTRY VISA WERE TURNED BACK TONIGHT AT THE BAVARIAN-CZECHOSLOVAK CHECK POINTS AT WAIDSHAUS, SCHRINDING AND FURTH IM WALD, POLICE SAID.

BUT THE CZECHOSLOVAK BORDER AUTHORITIES WERE STILL ISSUING ENTRY VISAS IN HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY CASES, FOR TRAVELLING DIPLOMATS, FOR MEMBERS OF TRADE MISSIONS IN PRAGUE, AND FOR PERSONS TRAVELLING TO A CZECHOSLOVAK SPA AND POSSESSING A DOCUMENT OF THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES IN PRAGUE.

PERSONS TRAVELLING IN A WESTERN DIRECTION WERE STILL ABLE TO PASS ALL THREE CHECK POINTS, POLICE SAID.

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