

X/13 - C/S - FREE CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION

VIENNA, AUG 27 (RFE SPECIAL/KOSTRBA) -- WITH SHORT INTERRUPTIONS, "FREE CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION" WAS ON THE AIR FROM 1400 TO 2220 (MT) ON MONDAY.

BROADCASTING ON CZECHOSLOVAK TV HOME CHANNELS, STUDIOS IN PRAGUE NORTHERN, SOUTHERN AND WESTERN BOHEMIA PROVIDED LISTENERS WITH NEWS, ENTERTAINMENT, REPORTAGES, PRESS REVIEWS AND COMMENTED NEWS.

AMONG OTHERS, "FREE CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION" FEATURED REPORTAGES FROM THE PRAGUE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, THE CKD FACTORY, SHORT FILMS FROM THE STREETS IN PRAGUE'S INNER CITY AND EVEN A 15 MINUTE LIVE MUSICAL SHOW.

ALTHOUGH PERFECT IN VIEW OF ALL CIRCUMSTANCES, THE PROGRAM WAS MARKED BY IMPROVISATION AND LACK OF PROPER EQUIPMENT.

ACCORDING TO THE "FREE TELEVISION" PRESS REVIEW, TWO COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL PRESS ORGANS "RUDE PRAVO" HAVE BEEN CIRCULATING IN PRAGUE ON MONDAY: THE FIRST, CALLED BY THE ANNOUNCER "THE GENUINE PARTY ORGAN" AND LATER IN THE AFTERNOON A SECOND ONE CALLED BY "FREE CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION" "THE SOVIET RUDE PRAVO, WRITTEN AND PRINTED BY COLLABORATORS".

THE "RUDE PRAVO" PRODUCED BY THE SOVIETS WAS WITHOUT PROPER MASTHEAD REVEALED NO NAMES OF EDITORS AND CARRIED UNSIGNED ARTICLES. THE EDITORIAL WAS A TRANSLATION FROM MOSCOW "PRAVDA", THE "FREE TELEVISION" ANNOUNCER SAID.

BOTH "RUDE PRAVO" VERSIONS ARE OF SMALL SIZE AND CONSISTED ONLY OF TWO PAGES.

ACCORDING TO THE "FREE TELEVISION" ANNOUNCER, SOVIET TELEVISION IN CZECH WAS ALSO ON THE AIR ON MONDAY, BROADCASTING ON CZECHOSLOVAK TV HOME CHANNELS NUMBER ONE AND FIVE.

THE "FREE TELEVISION" ANNOUNCER SAID TECHNICIANS LOYAL TO THE DUBCEK REGIME HAD BEEN ABLE TO KEEP WHAT HE CALLED "THE SOVIET TELEVISION" OFF THE AIR SEVERAL TIMES DURING THE DAY.

SIGNING OFF AT 2230, "FREE CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION" PROMISED TO BE BACK ON THE AIR ON TUESDAY FROM 1600 TO 2220, BROADCASTING ON CZECHOSLOVAK TV CHANNELS TWO, SIX, NINE, TEN AND TWELVE.

THE CLOSING COMMENTARY STRESSED AGAIN THAT "NO ILLUSIONS SHOULD BE HARBOURED BY CZECHOSLOVAK CITIZENS ABOUT THE OUTCOME

OF THE MOSCOW TALKS"

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