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"AS SOON AS POSSIBLE", SAID DUBCEK, "WE WILL DISCUSS ALL THE QUESTIONS WHICH AROSE UNDER THESE VERY EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES. LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS, DELEGATES TO THE CONGRESS, AND OTHER PARTY OFFICIALS, SHOULD DURING THESE NEXT DAYS RESPECT THE INSTRUCTIONS WHICH WILL BE ISSUED BY ME..."

"WE MUST CONSULT WITH ALL PARTY RANKS ON HOW TO UNITE COMMUNISTS..."

"I IMPROVISE VERY MUCH," DUBCEK APOLOGIZED. "I HOPE THAT YOU UNDERSTAND ME..."

"ALL OF US WHO IN THE LAST FEW DAYS WERE AT THE MOSCOW DISCUSSION ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL TO YOU. WITHOUT THIS, IT WOULD NOT RPT NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE TO PREVENT THE SHARPENING OF THE SITUATION AND KEEP AT THE SAME TIME THE POLITICAL AND MORAL UNITY OF OUR PEOPLE..."

"WE ALL KNOW TODAY THAT OUR ROAD WILL NOT RPT NOT BE EASY. IT WILL BE COMPLEX AND IT WILL BE MORE DIFFICULT AND MORE COMPLEX THAN WE HAD IMAGINED UNTIL NOW... WE MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THAT WE MUST CONSIDER DURING THE NEXT PERIOD HOW TO IMPLEMENT THE AIMS OF OUR POST JANUARY POLICY."

REFERRING TO THE PARTY'S PROGRAMS, DUBCEK SAID THE NEW SITUATION DID NOT RPT NOT CHANGE ANYTHING.

HE SAID CZECHOSLOVAKIA BELONGS TO THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY AND "DESPITE EVERYTHING WHICH HAS HAPPENED , WHICH WE ARE NOW WITNESSING," RELATIONS WITH THE OTHER COUNTRIES WOULD REMAIN GOVERNED BY THIS REALITY.

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