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ONE OF THE PROMINENT PRAGUE RADIO COMMENTATORS, JIRI DIENSTBIER, SAID IN A COMMENTARY CARRIED BY THE RADIO STATION CZECHOSLOVAK ONE LAST NIGHT (2050) HE HAD SEEN MANY WEEPING PEOPLE FOLLOWING SVOBODA'S SPEECH AND THE PUBLICATION OF THE COMMUNIQUE ON THE SOVIET-CZECHOSLOVAK TALKS.

HE ADVISED TO WAIT WITH THE FINAL ASSESSMENT OF WHAT HAS HAPPENED.

"IF WE SPEAK ABOUT PRUDENCE AND REALITY, I THINK THAT IT IS ALSO NECESSARY TO SAY WHAT IT MEANS.

"I THINK THAT IT MEANS ONLY THAT WE DO NOT RPT NOT WANT TO SHOOT, THAT WE WILL NOT RPT NOT DEMONSTRATE, THAT WE WILL NOT RPT NOT DO THINGS WHICH COULD PROVE TO THE OCCUPIERS THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT RPT NOT THINGS IN THEIR HANDS.

"IT MEANS ONLY THIS, NOTHING MORE. IT WOULD BE NEITHER REALISM NOR COURAGE IF WE GAVE UP OUR NATIONAL AND SOCIAL IDEALS.

"...I THINK DUBCEK'S ADDRESS WAS CLEAR THE WAY IT WAS PRESENTED. I THINK THAT THE EMOTION OF THE CHIEF OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY SHOWS THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TRUSTING HIM, THAT EVERYTHING HE ACCEPTED, HE ACCEPTED ONLY BECAUSE HE HAD BEEN FORCED TO," DIENSTBIER SAID.

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