

X/13 CURT -- TEXT OF DUTCH CP MANIFESTO ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA

BRUSSELS, AUG. 28 (RFE SPECIAL/WR/RD) -- FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE "MANIFESTO OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE NETHERLANDS ABOUT CZECHOSLOVAKIA" AS PUBLISHED IN THE PARTY DAILY "DE WAARHEID" MONDAY NIGHT:

"MANIFESTO OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE NETHERLANDS ABOUT CZECHOSLOVAKIA

"TO THE MEMBERS AND PEOPLE WHO VOTED FOR THE COMMUNIST PARTY, THE DUTCH LABOR CLASS AND ALL DEMOCRATS IN OUR COUNTRY.

"IN THE NIGHT OF AUGUST 20 TO 21 THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOVIET UNION, AIDED BY FOUR OTHER GOVERNMENTS, WHICH ARE MEMBERS OF THE WARSAW PACT, ORDERED TROOPS TO ENTER CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND TO SEIZE POWER. THE MOTIVES CITED FOR THIS WERE:

"A) - THAT IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AN INTENSIFICATION OF THE INTERNAL CONFLICT WAS TO BE EXPECTED, WHICH WAS OF A NATURE TO ENDANGER THE INTERESTS OF THE SOVIET UNION AND OTHER EAST EUROPEAN STATES.

"B) - THAT TROOPS WERE SENT AT THE REQUEST OF A GROUP OF FUNCTIONARIES OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY, WHO ARE IN OPPOSITION AGAINST THE PRESENT PARTY LEADERSHIP AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COUNTRY.

"THE POLITBURO OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE NETHERLANDS STATES WITH THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE EMPHASIS THAT SUCH PROCEEDINGS ARE UNACCEPTABLE, THAT THESE HAVE NO CONNECTION WITH COMMUNIST PRINCIPLES AND COMMUNIST POLICIES AND THAT THEY ARE A VIOLATION OF ALL THE RULES AND DECLARATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST MOVEMENT.

"THE CPN (COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE NETHERLANDS) DOES NOT GIVE AN OPINION ABOUT THE INTERNAL SITUATION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. IT IS IN ANY CASE A FACT THAT THE OPPOSING FACTION TO WHICH THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT REFERS, HAS NOT EVEN MADE PUBLIC NAMES OF ITS MEMBERS. APPARENTLY THEY LACK SUFFICIENT INFLUENCE IN THEIR OWN COUNTRY SO THAT THEY HAVE TO RELY ON MILITARY SUPPORT FROM OUTSIDE. FURTHERMORE, THIS GROUP HAS EVEN RECOGNISED IN A STATEMENT THAT THE REGIME OF NOVOTNY, WHICH WAS DEPOSED IN JANUARY, BEARS THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CRISIS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. FOR THIS CRISIS, THE LEADERSHIP OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE SOVIET UNION IS LIKEWISE RESPONSIBLE, SINCE IT HAS SUPPORTED, TO THE LAST MINUTE, BACKING TO THE HILT, THIS NOVOTNY REGIME. WHICHEVER MAY BE, TO SOCIALISTS, HOSTILE CURRENTS WHICH EXIST IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, THE PRESENT LEADERSHIP OF THE SOVIET UNION DOES NOT MENTION IN ITS ACCUSATION EVEN ONE SALIENT FACT WHICH COULD JUSTIFY A MILITARY INTERVENTION.

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