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MUNICH, AUGUST 28 (CMD) -- RADIO WARSAW'S CORRESPONDENT IN LONDON, ANDRZEJ NOWALISNKI, SAID LAST NIGHT THAT THE ANNOUNCED CANCELLATION BY BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY MICHAEL STEWART OF HIS VISITS TO BUDAPEST AND SOFIA, AND THE CANCELLATION OF OTHER EAST-WEST VISITS AND CULTURAL EVENTS IS "HARMFUL" TO THE CAUSE OF DETENTE.

THE CORRESPONDENT SAID THAT SUCH AN OFFICIAL REACTION OF MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH CABINET PROVIDE OCCASION FOR A NUMBER OF OTHER MOVES HITTING THE COOPERATION BETWEEN BRITAIN AND MANY SOCIALIST COUNTRIES, AND PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CONFUSION OF IDEAS AND THE UNDERTAKING OF RASH DECISIONS.

"AND THUS, FOR EXAMPLE, WE WERE PUT IN GLASGOW BEFORE THE NECESSITY OF CANCELLING OUR COMMERCIAL-CULTURAL EVENT CALLED "POLISH DAYS", ALTHOUGH TRADE EXCHANGE BETWEEN POLAND AND GREAT BRITAIN ACHIEVED GOOD RESULTS SO FAR, AND HAS EVEN BETTER PROSPECTS, AND THIS DESPITE THE FACT THAT EXPERIENCE TEACHES US THAT THE MIXING OF TRADE WITH POLITICS NEVER PRODUCES POSITIVE RESULTS," SAID THE CORRESPONDENT.

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