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C/S - HAJEK VISITS CSSR EMBASSY IN LONDON (RELEADS CN - 122)

LONDON, AUG. 28, REUTER -- CZECHOSLOVAK FOREIGN MINISTER JIRI HAJEK MADE A VISIT TO HIS COUNTRY'S EMBASSY HERE TODAY DURING A BRIEF STOPOVER IN LONDON.

MR. HAJEK WHO FLEW INTO LONDON FROM THE UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK, WAS EXPECTED TO REMAIN AT HEATHROW AIRPORT AWAITING A FLIGHT TO BELGRADE.

BUT AN EMBASSY CAR TOOK HIM TO THE EMBASSY IN THE WEST LONDON DISTRICT OF KENSINGTON -- ABOUT 100 YARDS (METRES) FROM THE SOVIET EMBASSY.

HE SAID: "I JUST CAME BECAUSE I USED TO LIVE AND WORK IN THIS HOUSE FOR THREE YEARS. IT IS A KIND OF NOSTALGIA."

EARLIER, MR. HAJEK TOLD REPORTERS AT THE AIRPORT THAT HE THOUGHT IT BETTER TO SAY NOTHING ABOUT THE CZECHOSLOVAK CRISIS AT THIS STAGE.

HE WAS DUE TO LEAVE LONDON AT 1220 MT FOR BELGRADE.

WHEN HE LEFT THE EMBASSY, MR. HAJEK SAID: "AS THE PRESIDENT AND COMRADE DUBJEK HAVE SAID, WE ARE GOING TO FOLLOW THE ROAD WE STARTED."

ASKED IF HE BELIEVED THE CRISIS WAS OVER, MR. HAJEK REPLIED: "WE HOPE SO. WE ARE MAKING EFFORTS TO ACCOMPLISH THE PRINCIPLES WHICH HAVE BEEN AGREED BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC (MR. SVOBODA) AND RUSSIA."

A CZECHOSLOVAK STUDENT WHO SPOKE TO MR. HAJEK IN THE EMBASSY SAID: "HE TOLD US THAT THE FUTURE WOULD PERHAPS NOT BE AS GOOD AS WE HAD HOPED FOR BUT THAT WE MUST MAKE THE BEST OF IT."

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