

X/13 C/S -- VERY GREAT DIFFICULTIES AHEAD, SAYS MORNING STAR

LONDON AUGUST 28--(RFE SPECIAL/HOOD)--THE BRITISH COMMUNIST PARTY NEWSPAPER, THE MORNING STAR, COMMENTING IN A FRONT PAGE EDITORIAL TODAY ON THE MOSCOW TALKS, SAID "VERY GREAT DIFFICULTIES" FACE CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

THE AGREEMENT, IT SAID, IS THE FIRST STAGE IN OVERCOMING "THE ACUTE AND DANGEROUS PROBLEMS" RESULTING FROM THE UNWANTED MILITARY INTERVENTION. AND THE MORNING STAR ADDED THAT THE SOONER THE "COMPLETE DEPARTURE" OF THE WARSAW PACT TROOPS TAKES PLACE THE BETTER.

"IT WOULD BE USELESS TO PRETEND," THE MORNING STAR SAID, "THAT THERE WILL N O T BE VERY GREAT DIFFICULTIES IN THE DAYS AHEAD" BECAUSE OF FORMIDABLE ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL PROBLEMS.

BUT THE MORNING STAR CONCLUDED:

"THE WAY IN WHICH CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNISTS, IN THE RECENT CRITICAL DAYS, HAVE MAINTAINED THEIR UNITY, STOOD FIRMLY FOR THEIR PRINCIPLES, AND HELPED TO PREVENT THE EXACERBATION OF AN EXPLOSIVE SITUATION, GIVES GROUND FOR CONFIDENCE IN THEIR ABILITY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS BEFORE THEM."

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