

X/13 CURT -- DANISH FAR-LEFT IN CSSR-RELATED SQUABBLE

COPENHAGEN, AUG. 28 (RFE SPECIAL/THOMSON) -- HALF OF THE FOUR-MEMBER LEFTIST SOCIALIST PARTY CONTINGENT IN THE DANISH PARLIAMENT HAS QUIT THE PARTY AND BECOME INDEPENDENT IN A DISPUTE AT LEAST PARTIALLY TIED TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

EX-COMMUNIST KAI MOLTKE AND HENNE REINTOFT BOTH DISAPPROVED OF THE STRONG DENUNCIATION BY THE PARTY OF THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

PARTY CHAIRMAN ERIK SIGSGAARD SAID MISS REINTOFT WAS ESPECIALLY CRITICAL OF THE ANTI-SOVIET INVASION STATEMENT AND THAT CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS "PROBABLY THE MAIN CAUSE" FOR HER RESIGNATION, WHEREAS MOLTKE DISAGREED WITH VARIOUS PARTY POLICIES.

MISS REINTOFT DENIED THAT CZECHOSLOVAKIA HAD ANYTHING TO DO WITH HER OR MOLTKE'S RESIGNATIONS. SHE SAID THEY BOTH QUIT, ALONG WITH HALF A DOZEN OTHER PARTY MEMBERS, DUE TO THEIR BELIEF THAT THE PARTY WAS BECOMING "ANARCHISTIC" AND HARBORED MANY NEW CLIQUES WHO WERE WORKING FOR POLICIES THAT "IN REALITY ARE HOSTILE TO THE WORKERS INTERESTS."

SIGSGAARD HAS DENIED THESE CHARGES. HE, MOLTKE, REINTOFT AND FOUR OTHERS HAD BELONGED TO THE PEOPLES SOCIALIST PARTY UP UNTIL CHRISTMAS. THEY VOTED AGAINST THE FISCAL LEGISLATION OF EX-PREMIER JENS OTTO KRAG IN DECEMBER, BROUGHT DOWN HIS GOVERNMENT AS A RESULT, AND MANAGED TO SQUEEZE INTO PARLIAMENT THEMSELVES UNDER THE BANNER OF THEIR NEW LEFTIST SOCIALIST PARTY WHEN A RE-COUNT SHOWED THEM TO HAVE PRECISELY TWO PERCENT FOR AN AUTOMATIC FOUR SEATS.

THIS WAS IN JANUARY, MEANING THAT MOLTKE AND REINTOFT HAVE QUIT TWO PARTIES WITHIN ROUGHLY HALF A YEAR. BOTH DENY THAT THEY WILL SEEK MEMBERSHIP IN THE DANISH COMMUNIST PARTY.