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WHATEVER THE OBSTACLES, CERNIK SAID, HE BELIEVED THAT "WE WILL SUCCEED IN BRINGING SOCIALISM WITH A HUMAN FACE OUT OF THE DIFFICULTIES, BUT ONLY IF WE REMAIN UNITED."

THE NORMALISATION OF CONDITIONS IN THE COUNTRY DEMANDED "ESPECIALLY THE RESUMPTION OF NORMAL ACTIVITIES BY ALL STATE ORGANS, PARTICULARLY THE GOVERNMENT." THERE MUST ALSO BE, THE PREMIER SAID, "A RESUMPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION...."

IN THIS CONNECTION, HE SINGLED OUT PRAGUE, WHERE SUCH A RESTORATION OF NORMAL CONDITIONS WAS "PARTICULARLY ESSENTIAL."

THIS WOULD BE A MATTER OF DISCUSSION FOR THE PRAGUE CITY COMMITTEE WITHIN TWO DAYS.

HE WENT ON TO STRESS THE NECESSITY OF BRINGING IN THE HARVEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE DELAYS IN THIS FIELD HAD ALREADY HARMED THE ECONOMY.

IN ADDITION, IT WAS IMPORTANT "TO MAKE POSSIBLE THE RETURN OF ALL CZECHOSLOVAKS ABROAD" AT PRESENT.

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