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X/4 C/S - SLOVAK COMMUNISTS CALL FOR CZECHOSLOVAK CONGRESS

MUNICH, AUGUST 29 - (CMD)- THE CONGRESS OF THE SLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY MEETING IN BRATISLAVA WEDNESDAY CALLED FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY.

THE CALL WAS CONTAINED IN A LETTER OF THE DELEGATES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY SLOVAK PARTY CONGRESS AND THE SLOVAK DELEGATES TO THE 14TH CONGRESS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY SENT TO CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY LEADER ALEXANDER DUBCEK.

(THE 14TH CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY CONGRESS WHICH MET IN PRAGUE LAST WEEK ELECTED A NEW CENTRAL COMMITTEE. IT WAS LATER DESCRIBED BY THE SOVIETS AS ILLEGAL.)

THE DELEGATES LETTER SAID THE CONGRESS EXPRESSED FULL SUPPORT TO DUBCEK, AS WELL AS TO PRESIDENT LUDVIK SVOBODA, PREMIER OLDŘICH CERNIK, NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN JOSEF SMRKOVSKY AND DEPUTY PREMIER GUSTAV HUSAK.

THE LETTER THEN SAID "WE CONSIDER THE RESULTS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS IN MOSCOW AS A WAY OUT FROM THE PRESENT DIFFICULT SITUATION.

"THEREFORE WE WILL DO EVERYTHING FOR THE CONSOLIDATION AND NORMALIZATION OF CONDITIONS IN THE REPUBLIC WHICH AIM AT THE RESTORATION OF SOVEREIGNTY OF OUR STATE.

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