

X/4/9 C/S -- WARSAW RECOGNIZES THE NEED FOR CHANGES IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

MUNICH, AUGUST 29 (CMD) -- RADIO WARSAW COMMENTATOR ZBIGNIEW LIPINSKI SAID LAST NIGHT THAT THE CHANGES IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AS DETERMINED BY THE JANUARY AND MAY PLENUMS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE, WERE JUSTIFIED AND NEEDED.

HE SAID THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERSHIP, AFTER RETURNING FROM MOSCOW, ANNOUNCED MEASURES CONCERNING THE NORMALIZATION OF THE SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY.

"THESE MEASURES, AS IT APPEARS FROM THE COMMUNIQUE, HAVE BEEN JOINTLY DISCUSSED AND JOINTLY APPROVED.

"THE QUESTION IS THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE AUTHORITIES OF THIS COUNTRY IMPLEMENT, WITHOUT HINDRANCES AND TERROR BY THE RIGHT WING, THE POLICY WHOSE DIRECTION WAS DETERMINED AT THE JANUARY AND MAY PLENUMS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY.

"THESE DIRECTIONS OF THE RENEWAL OF POLITICAL, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC LIFE, CONTAINED IN THE PROGRAM OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY WERE AND ARE RECOGNIZED BY US AS BEING JUSTIFIED AND NEEDED; AS NEEDED AS THE CHANGES WHICH OCCURRED IN OUR LIFE AFTER 1956. THUS, WE WERE AND ARE FOR THE NECESSARY CHANGES."

HE SAID THAT THIS STAND WAS ONCE AGAIN CONFIRMED IN THE COMMUNIQUE ISSUED TUESDAY ON THE CZECHOSLOVAK-SOVIET TALKS.

"WE SUPPORT ALL THOSE ACTIONS WHICH AIM AT STRENGTHENING THE LEADING ROLE OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY, AND THE CORRECT REALIZATION OF ITS PROGRAM POSTULATING THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIALIST DEMOCRACIES, THE PERFECTION OF MANAGEMENT AND GUIDANCE METHODS, AND AS A RESULT THE STRENGTHENING OF SOCIALIST ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK NATIONS," HE SAID.

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