

X/4 C/S -- DAILY NEWSPAPERS RE-APPEAR IN PRAGUE

MUNICH, AUG 29 (CMD)-- RADIO CZECHOSLOVAKIA REPORTED TODAY THAT DAILY NEWSPAPERS RE-APPEARED ON THE STREETS OF PRAGUE THIS MORNING.

(CMD-- RADIO CZECHOSLOVAKIA ONE SAID TUESDAY AFTER THE SPEECH BY COMMUNIST PARTY LEADER ALEXANDER DUBCEK, THAT CZECHOSLOVAK JOURNALISTS HAD MADE A "VOLUNTARY DECISION" NOT RPT NOT TO ISSUE NEWSPAPERS WEDNESDAY TO GIVE THEM TIME FOR "SOUND REFLECTION.")

RADIO CZECHOSLOVAKIA SAID THIS MORNING'S RUDE PRAVO CARRIED A FRONT-PAGE INTERVIEW WITH DEFENSE MINISTER MARTIN DZUR, WHO WARNED AGAINST ANY INCIDENTS.

ACCORDING TO THE RADIO, DZUR SAID THAT "UNDER THE EXISTING TENSE MILITARY CONDITIONS IN THIS COUNTRY, EVEN A SMALL PROVOCATION AGAINST THE FOREIGN ARMIES ON OUR TERRITORY MIGHT SET OFF A HUGE CONFLAGRATION WITH UNPREDICTABLE CONSEQUENCES."

DZUR WAS ALSO QUOTED AS SAYING HE HAD ISSUED NO RPT NO NEW ORDERS TO THE ARMED FORCES SINCE THE OCCUPYING POWERS HAD "STOPPED ATTEMPTING TO DISARM CZECHOSLOVAK UNITS."

HERE IS THE FULL TEXT OF THE RADIO BROADCAST:

"DAILY NEWSPAPERS APPEARED ON THE STREETS OF PRAGUE AGAIN THIS MORNING, STILL IN THEIR EMERGENCY TYPOGRAPHICAL GETUP, SINCE THE EDITORS AND PRINTERS HAVE NOT RPT NOT YET BEEN ABLE TO RESUME WORK UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS. THE PAPERS ARE DISTRIBUTED TO THE PUBLIC FREE OF CHARGE."

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