

## AUSTRIAN COAL SUPPLY AFFECTED BY INVASION

VIENNA, AUG 29 (RFE SPECIAL/KOSTRBA) -- AUSTRIAN IMPORTS OF COAL FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA, POLAND AND EASTERN GERMANY WERE INTERRUPTED BY THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA ON AUGUST 21.

UP TO NOW, MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF AUSTRIAN HARD COAL AND COKE CONSUMPTION WAS COVERED BY IMPORTS FROM THE THREE EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

THE AUSTRIAN LEAGUE OF INDUSTRIALS SAID THAT IF THE INTERRUPTION OF COKE TRANSPORTS FROM EASTERN EAST BLOC COUNTRIES TO AUSTRIA LASTS FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME, AUSTRIA WOULD BE COMPELLED TO SEEK COAL IMPORTS FROM WESTERN EUROPE.

THE AUSTRIAN STOCKS OF COAL AND COKE WILL LAST ONLY FOR SIX WEEKS.

ACCORDING TO THE AUSTRIAN LEAGUE OF INDUSTRIALISTS, EAST GERMANY HAS SHOWN WILLINGNESS TO RE-ROUTE THE COKE TRANSPORTS TO AUSTRIA THROUGH WESTERN GERMANY.

## CZECHOSLOVAK TOURISTS

VIENNA, AUG 29 (RFE SPECIAL/KOSTRBA) -- ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT, SOME 6,000 CZECHOSLOVAK TOURISTS HESITATING WHETHER OR NOT TO RETURN TO THEIR HOME COUNTRY, HAVE REGISTERED WITH THE VIENNA "RESCUE COMMITTEE FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA" BY WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

SOME 5,600 ARE LIVING IN HOMES, HOTELS AND CAMPS GIVEN AT THE DISPOSAL OF CZECHOSLOVAKS BY VIENNA MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES AND THE AUSTRIAN TRADE UNIONS FEDERATION. THE REST ARE STAYING WITH FRIENDS OR RELATIVES. AN ADDITIONAL 500 HAVE BEEN BILLETED IN THE TRAIKIRCHEN REFUGEE CAMP.

ACCORDING TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT, SOME 3,000 CZECHOSLOVAK TOURISTS WHO HAVE ALREADY LEFT AUSTRIA FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND APPROXIMATELY 1,000 WHO HAVE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE RESCUE COMMITTEE MUST BE ADDED, BRINGING THE OVERAL NUMBER OF CZECHOSLOVAKS IN AUSTRIA AFFECTED BY THE INVASION OF THEIR COUNTRY TO SOME 10,000.

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