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SOVIET PARATROOPS RINGING THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE BUILDING WERE WITHDRAWN SHORTLY BEFORE NOON AND RADIO CZECHOSLOVAKIA REPORTED THAT DAILY NEWSPAPERS REAPPEARED ON THE STREETS OF PRAGUE THIS MORNING.

THE RADIO SAID THIS MORNING'S ISSUE OF RUDE PRAVO GAVE FRONT PAGE SPACE TO AN INTERVIEW WITH DEFENSE MINISTER MARTIN DZUR WHO WARNED HIS COUNTRYMEN AGAINST ANY INCIDENTS.

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

RADIO VLTAVA, THE SOVIET-SUPPORTED CZECHOSLOVAK STATION, SAID TODAY THAT THE DEPARTURE OF FOREIGN TROOPS FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA WILL DEPEND ON HOW THE SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY NORMALIZES.

"IMPORTANT IS WHAT PRESIDENT (LUDVIK) SVOBODA SAID IN HIS SPEECH YESTERDAY: THE PLACE OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC CANNOT BE ANYWHERE ELSE BUT IN THE COMMUNITY OF THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES," RADIO VLTAVA SAID.

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