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PARIS, AUG 30 (RFE SPECIAL/EDWARDS) - - - A SOVIET PARLIAMENTARIAN PASSING THROUGH PARIS SAID LAST NIGHT THAT EVENTS HAD PROVED THAT CZECHOSLOVAKIA HAD FACED "DANGER" BEFORE WARSAW PACT FORCES INVAD-
DED.

THE STATEMENT WAS MADE TO THE FRENCH NEWS AGENCY, AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE, BY JUSTUS PALETSKIS, PRESIDENT OF THE SUPREME SOVIETS' NATIONALITIES COUNCIL. PALETSKIS STOPPED OFF BRIEFLY IN PARIS ON HIS WAY TO AN INTERPARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE IN LIMA.

"WE DID NOT ENTER CZECHOSLOVAKIA TO CONQUER THE COUNTRY", HE TOLD AFP. HE DESCRIBED THE RECENT MOSCOW TALKS AS "A BENEFICIAL CONFERENCE" AND ADDED : "WE HOPE THAT IT WILL CAUSE THE DANGER THAT HAD APPEARED IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA TO DISAPPEAR. THE EVENTS HAVE PROVED THAT THIS DANGER CERTAINLY EXISTED. WE ARE DELIGHTED WITH THE RESULTS OF THIS CONFERENCE".

PALETSKIS WAS ASKED WHETHER THE ACCORDS WOULD BE APPLIED. HE SAID : "NATURALLY, THEY WILL BE APPLIED".

AMONG THOSE AT THE AIRPORT TO GREET THE PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION WAS SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE VALERIAN ZORIN. HE TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE NUEMROUS LETTERS TO HIS EMBASSY FROM FRENCH CITIZENS

WERE DIVIDED EQUALLY BETWEEN STATEMENTS OF APPROVAL AND DISAPPRO-
- VAL FOR THE INTERVENTION.

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