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CZECHOSLOVAK ENSEMBLE TO TOUR BRITAIN

LONDON AUGUST 30--(RFE SPECIAL/WELLS)--CZECHOSLOVAK
ENSEMBLE TO TOUR BRITAIN

LONDON AUGUST 30--(RFE SPECIAL/WELLS)--THE CZECHOSLOVAK
STATE SONG AND DANCE ENSEMBLE IS TO BEING A MONTH-LONG TOUR OF
BRITAIN ON OCTOBER 15 AND IMPRESSARIO DRU HARVEY SAYS
BOOKINGS HAVE POURED IN SINCE THE INVASION.

"THERE WAS QUITE A BIG RESPONSE BEFORE THE CRISIS, BUT
NOW THE DEMAND HAS BECOME TREMENDOUS," HARVEY SAID YESTERDAY.
THE ENSEMBLE IS TO PLAY IN 15 THEATERS -- ONE OF THEM THE
NORWICH CIVIC THEATER WHICH ORIGINALLY BOOKED THE RED
ARMY CHOIR.

J. SEDLAK, CULTURAL ATTACHE AT THE CZCHOSLOVAK EMBASSY
IN LONDON SAYS NO RPT NO DIFFICULTY IS EXPECTED IN
ARRANGING EXIT VISAS FOR THE ENSEMBLE.

CZECHOSLOVAK WATER SKIERS IN BRITAIN

LONDON AUGUST 30--(RFE SPECIAL/WELLS)--THREE CZECHOSLOVAKS
HAVE ARRIVED IN BRITAIN FOR THE EUROPEAN WATER SKIING
CHAMPIONSHIPS WHICH OPEN TODAY, BUT ONLY AFTER A HARROWING
JOURNEY FROM PRAGUE.

THE THREE ARE ZDENEK HOVORKA, 19, AND FRANK STEHNO,
WHO WILL COMPETE, AND DR. TONI ZENESEK, AN OFFICIAL.

HOVORKA REACHED BRITAIN LOOKING "LIKE A GHOST" AFTER
A SIX-DAY JOURNEY WHICH BEGAN IN PRAGUE AT THE HEIGHT OF THE
INVASION CRISIS. IT TOOK HIM 17 HOURS BY RAIL TO GET
TO VIENNA AND FOR TWO DAYS HE WAS STRANDED THERE WITHOUT
MONEY, FOOD OR A BED.

STEHNO AND ZENESEK WERE ALSO STRANDED IN VIENNA WITHOUT
MONEY BUT ALL THREE WERE BROUGHT TO BRITAIN BY THE DAILY
TELEGRAPH NEWSPAPER, WHICH IS SPONSORING THE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

BRNO TRADE FAIR DELAYED A WEEK

BONN, AUG 30, REUTER -- THE OPENING OF THE BRNO TRADE
FAIR HAS BEEN POSTPONED FOR ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 14, THE
CZECHOSLOVAK NEWS AGENCY CETEKA ANNOUNCED HERE TODAY.

CETEKAS BONN OFFICE SAID THE PRAGUE FOREIGN TRADE
MINISTRY HAS ASKED IT TO PUBLISH THE POSTPONEMENT HERE.

CS SCHOOLS TO REOPEN

ROME, AUG. 30, REUTER--SCHOOLS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA WILL OPEN
AS SCHEDULED ON MONDAY AT THE END OF THE ANNUAL TWO-MONTH SUMMER
HOLIDAYS, THE CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY SSSY SAID TODAY.

IT ISSUED A STATEMENT INVITING CZECHOSLOVAK STUDENTS HOLIDAYING IN
ITALY TO RETURN HOME AND RESUME THEIR STUDIES.

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