

CS - SOVIETS PUBLISH SVOBODA BOOK

MOSCOW, AUG. 30, REUTER -A SOVIET PUBLISHING HOUSE IS TO PUT OUT A NEW EDITION OF A BOOK ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA BY PRESIDENT LUDVIK SVOBODA, THE SOVIET NEWS AGENCY TASS REPORTED TODAY.

IT SAID THE PRESIDENT HAD WRITTEN A SPECIAL PREFACE FOR THE NEW EDITION UNDERLINING THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND THE SOVIET UNION.

THE SECOND EDITION OF THE BOOK "FROM BUZULUK TO PRAGUE," IN UKRAINIAN, WILL BE PUBLISHED SHORTLY BY THE UKRAINE POLITICAL PUBLISHING HOUSE, POLITIZDAT.

TASS SAID THAT IN HIS PREFACE, PRESIDENT SVOBODA SAYS HE PARTICULARLY WANTS TO SHOW "WHEN AND HOW THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE PEOPLES OF THE U.S.S.R. AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS CONSOLIDATED, A FRIENDSHIP DEEP-ROOTED IN THE HISTORY OF THE PEOPLE OF OUR FRATERNAL COUNTRIES."

THE PREFACE SAYS, AMONG OTHER THINGS, "ALL OF US UNDERSTAND THAT THE INDEPENDENCE OF OUR REPUBLIC WILL REMAIN AND CAN EXIST ONLY IN AN ALLIANCE WITH THE ENORMOUS SOVIET UNION WHICH FOR US IS THE ONLY GUARANTEE OF SECURITY AGAINST THE REVIVING WEST GERMAN IMPERIALISM."

THE TASS REPORT GAVE NO INDICATION OF WHEN PRESIDENT SVOBODA WROTE THE PREFACE FOR THE NEW EDITION.

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