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HELSINKI, AUG 31 -- (RFE SPECIAL/RIDALA) -- THE FINNISH CP DAILY, KANSAN UUTISEN COVERED CZECHOSLOVAK DEVELOPMENTS AGAIN TODAY.

ON THE FRONT PAGE WAS A TWO-COLUMN STORY WITH THE HEADLINE "THE FINNISH CP HOPES THAT THE SITUATION WILL BE NORMALIZED IN THE CSSR," AND A RESOLUTION BY THE CP POLITBUREAU.

PAGE FIVE CARRIED A ONE-COLUMN REPORT BY THE PAPER'S OWN CORRESPONDENT IN MOSCOW, "A FINNISH ATTITUDE IN THE SOVIET NEWS," IN WHICH TASS REFERS TO A STATEMENT BY MRS. TUOMINEN ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

ON THE BACK PAGE, (10), A FOUR-COLUMN STORY IS HEADLINED "THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ELECTED IN PRAGUE DURING THE CRISIS RESIGNED". NO SOURCES WERE GIVEN. N

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