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X/4 CS - SOVIETS OFFER TO WITHDRAW FROM BRATISLAVA (W/CN-170,173)

MUNICH, AUG 31 (CMD)- RADIO CZECHOSLOVAKIA REPORTED TONIGHT THAT THE SOVIET COMMANDER OF TROOPS IN BRATISLAVA HAS OFFERED TO WITHDRAW HIS FORCES FROM THE CITY ON CONDITION THAT CZECHOSLOVAK STATE ORGANS TAKE OVER THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC ORDER AND NORMAL LIFE.

THE RADIO SAID IT WOULD PROMPTLY INFORM THE PUBLIC ABOUT WHAT IT CALLED THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE MEASURES.

IT ALSO SAID THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE SLOVAK CAPITAL HAS APPEALED TO THE CITY'S RESIDENTS TO SPEED UP THE REMOVAL OF WRITTEN SLOGANS ON ROADS AND HOUSES IF THEY OFFEND THE TROOPS OF THE WARSAW PACT OCCUPYING BRATISLAVA.

IN ANOTHER APPEAL, THE NATIONAL COUNCIL CALLED ON INHABITANTS TO RESTORE STREET SIGNS TO THEIR ORIGINAL POSITIONS BECAUSE CITY SERVICE WORKERS ARE UNABLE TO RESTORE THE SIGNS UNAIDED, THE BROADCAST SAID.

THE RADIO TOLD LISTENERS THAT THE COUNCIL IS TAKING STEPS TO INSURE A WORTHY TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF FALLEN CITIZENS AT BRATISLAVA'S COMENIUS UNIVERSITY AND AT THE MAIN POST OFFICE.

(RADIO CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN SLOVAK/2009 MT, AUG 31/F)

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