

C/S -- AMERICAN EDUCATOR EVICTED FROM THE SOVIET UNION

WEST BERLIN, SEPT. 1 (UPI)--AN AMERICAN EDUCATOR SAID TODAY HE AND 18 OTHER AMERICANS WERE ORDERED TO LEAVE THE SOVIET UNION BECAUSE HE TOLD RUSSIAN STUDENTS ABOUT THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

DR. THOMAS PAPPAS SAID VISAS GRANTED THE RUSSIAN STUDY SEMINAR FROM ANDERSON COLLEGE, NEAR INDIANAPOLIS, WERE CANCELLED ON THE GROUNDS HE LIED ABOUT THE CZECHOSLOVAK SITUATION.

PAPPAS, HEAD OF THE SEMINAR, SAID AN INTOURIST OFFICIAL WHO GAVE HIM 12 HOURS TO LEAVE, TOLD HIM "YOU HAVE BEEN DISRESPECTFUL TO THE SOVIET UNION AND SLANDERED ITS FOREIGN POLICY. YOU TOLD LIES ABOUT AN INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA ALTHOUGH YOU KNOW THAT THE SOVIET UNION ACTED AT THE REQUEST OF CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS."

PAPPAS WAS PLACED ON AN EAST GERMAN COMMERCIAL AIRLINER THAT LANDED IN EAST BERLIN SATURDAY.

HE SAID HIS WIFE, NINE MEN STUDENTS AND EIGHT WOMEN STUDENTS WERE BOOKED ON A FLIGHT LEAVING TODAY.

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