

X/4 CS - CS ACCUSED OF NEGLECTING SOCIALIST TRADE

MUNICH, SEPT 1 (CMD)- THE CURRENT ISSUE OF THE POLISH ECONOMIC REVIEW ZYCIE GOSPODARCZE ACCUSES CZECHOSLOVAKIA OF FAILING TO UTILISE FULLY THE POSSIBILITY OF EXTENDING TRADE WITH HER SOCIALIST NEIGHBOURS.

THE REVIEW, QUOTED BY PAP, TODAY, POINTS OUT THAT IN SPITE OF THE DIFFICULTIES OF PUTTING CZECHOSLOVAK GOODS ON THE MARKETS OF DEVELOPED CAPITALIST COUNTRIES, CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S TRADE TURNOVER WITH THE WEST GREW BY 13 PER CENT BETWEEN 1965 AND 1967. IN THIS PERIOD THE TURNOVER WITH SOCIALIST STATES REMAINED ALMOST UNCHANGED.

THE REVIEW SAYS THAT MOVES BY SOCIALIST STATES TO EXTEND THEIR TRADE WITH THE CAPITALIST WORLD ARE SOUND - PROVIDED THESE NEW ECONOMIC LINKS DO NOT REPLACE CO-OPERATION WITHIN THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY.

"IT SHOULD BE CLEAR FOR EVERYONE THAT THE CHANCE OF FURTHER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIALIST COUNTRIES LIES IN THEIR UNITY AND JOINT ACTIONS," IT ADDS.

IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA RECENTLY, HOWEVER, STABILISATION HAD BEEN SOUGHT FOR "NOT IN THE PLANNED ECONOMY BUT IN CO-OPERATION WITH THE CAPITALIST MARKET."

THE AUTHORS OF AN ECONOMIC REPORT PREPARED BY THE FOREIGN TRADE RESEARCH CENTRE IN PRAGUE HAD SEEN ONLY THE ALTERNATIVE OF "BREAKING AWAY FROM THE COMMUNITY OF SOCIALIST STATES IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH TIES WITH THE CAPITALIST WEST."

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