

X/13 E/W BRITISH DELEGATIONS TO ATTEND BRNO FAIR

LONDON SEPTEMBER 2--(RFE SPECIAL/HOOD)--THREE
BRITISH DELEGATIONS WILL BE ATTENDING THE INTERNATIONAL
TRADE FAIR AT BRNO WITH BOARD OF TRADE (MINISTRY
OF TRADE) SUPPORT, A SPOKESMAN SAID YESTERDAY.

THE FAIR, ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER
8-17, HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 14-24,
ACCORDING TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CZECHOSLOVAK EMBASSY
IN LONDON.

BECAUSE OF THE MILITARY INVASION BY THE WARSAW
PACT COUNTRIES, SOME DOUBT HAD EARLIER BEEN EXPRESSED
IN LONDON WHETHER THE FAIR WOULD IN FACT BE HELD THIS
YEAR.

THREE TRADE ASSOCIATIONS, THE SCIENTIFIC
INSTRUMENT MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION, THE GAUGE AND
TOOL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION AND THE FEDERATION OF
MANUFACTURERS OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT, ARE
COOPERATING WITH THE BOARD OF TRADE IN SPONSORING JOINT
DISPLAYS BY MEMBERS.

IN LONDON IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE APPRO-
XIMATELY 40 COMPANIES WHO HAD PLANNED TO EXHIBIT UNDER
THE BOARDS PLAN WILL GO AHEAD.

THERE WILL ALSO BE SOME INDEPENDENT EXHIBITORS,
INCLUDING THE VICKERS MEDICAL GROUP AND RUBERY OWENS,
WHICH ALREADY HAS ITS EXHIBITS IN BOND IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

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