

ROGER LOUET, SECRETARY OF THE FRENCH CONFEDERATION  
FORCE OUVRIERE, TOLD THE CONGRESS  
THE RECENT EVENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA HAVE ONCE  
MORE REMINDED US HOW FUNDAMENTAL  
IT IS FOR THE WELFARE AND HAPPINESS OF THE WORKERS,  
FOR WHICH WE BEAR RESPONSIBILITY, TO PRESERVE THE  
FREEDOMS WHICH WE CHERISH . . .

FROM ITALY DIONIGI COPPO, GENERAL SECRETARY OF  
THE CONFEDERAZIONE ITALIANA SINDICATI LAVORATORI  
CONCLUDED HIS MESSAGE TO THE CENTENARY BY EXPRESSING  
SOLIDARITY WITH THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE  
WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED TO THE WHOLE WORLD WITH  
EXTRAORDINARY COURAGE AND PRIDE THE IRREPRESSIBLE  
ASPIRATION OF FREEDOM.

AHARON BECKER, SECRETARY GENERAL OF HISTRADUT  
OF ISRAEL, SAID IN THIS MOVEMENT WE ARE DEDICATED  
TO FREEDOM AND OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH THE CZECH PEOPLE  
WHOSE STRIVING FOR INDEPENDENCE HAS BEEN SO VIOLENTLY  
TRAMPLED UNDERFOOT BY THE SOVIET UNION.

AND SEYFI DEMIRSOY, PRESIDENT OF TURK-IS,  
SAID YOUR CONGRESS TAKES PLACE AT A TIME WHEN  
CZECHOSLOVAKIA IS UNDER INVASION FROM FIVE COMMUNIST  
STATES AND ITS UNFORTUNATE PEOPLE, WHOSE ONLY GUILTY  
CONDUCT HAS BEEN THEIR MOST RECENT TENDENCY  
TO CRACK OPEN THE DOOR OF OPPRESSION, TO BREATHE THE  
AIR OF FREEDOM, ARE BEING SUBJECTED TO  
TYRANNIES OF ALL KINDS.