

C/S - PRAISE AND WARNINGS IN SOVIET PRESS (2030 INTRO)

MUNICH, SEPT. 2 (CNR) - THE SOVIET PRESS TODAY COMBINED PRAISE OF CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS WITH WARNINGS OF CONTINUING ANTI-SOCIALIST ACTIVITY IN THE OCCUPIED COUNTRY.

THE PRAISE WAS RESERVED FOR PRESIDENT LUDVIK SVOBODA AND PARTY LEADER ALEXANDER DUBCEK.

THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT PAPER IZVESTIA CARRIED A FRONT PAGE TRIBUTE TO SVOBODA - "A BRAVE, SELF-CONTROLLED OFFICER"- AND DUBCEK "A FIGHTING SOLDIER".

THE TRIBUTE WAS WRITTEN BY MARSHAL IVAN KONIEV, LIBERATOR OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN WOLD WAR TWO.

THE WARNINGS WERE CARRIED IN THE PARTY PAPER PRAVDA, WHOSE CORRESPONDENTS WROTE FROM PRAGUE THAT "ANTI-SOCIALIST" FORCES WERE "CONTINUING ATTEMPTS TO COMPLICATE THE PROCESS OF NORMALISATION OF LIFE IN THE COUNTRY".

"INSULTING INSCRIPTIONS" HAD NOT YET BEEN REMOVED FROM BUILDINGS, PRAVDA COMPLAINED, AND OTHER "OPENLY HOSTILE ATTACKS AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION" WERE STILL IN EVIDENCE.

BUT PRAVDA NOTED THAT TENSION WAS "TANGIBLY EASING" IN PRAGUE - AS CZECHOSLOVAK WORKERS, FARMERS AND INTELLECTUALS" INCREASINGLT REALISE THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE ROAD FOR THEIR COUNTRY, THE ROAD OF SOCIALISM, THAT THE FUTURE OF SOCIALIST CZECHOSLOVAKIA LIES ONLY IN MARCHING SHOULDER TO SHOULDER WITH THE SOVIET UNION."

PRAVDA ALSO CLAIMED THAT WEST GERMAN SOURCES HELPED FINANCE THE "CZECHOSLOVAK COUNTER-REVOLUTION".

THE PAPER'S BERLIN CORRESPONDENT WROTE: "BONN RULING CIRCLES AND WEST GERMAN CONCERNS HAVE PLAYED A MOST ACTIVE ROLE IN FINANCING THE CZECHOSLOVAK COUNTER-REVOLUTION".

HE NAMED "THE REVANCHIST ORGANISATION OF SUDETEN GERMANS LANDSMANNSCHAFTEN" AS THE MAIN CHANNEL OF MATERIAL AID.

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