

CN 178

X/4 C/S - 1ST ADD - NO CULTURAL WORKERS ARRESTED (CN 177)

X X X CZECHOSLOVAKIA

GABRIEL SAID, ACCORDING TO THE RADIO, "OUT OF THE FOURTEEN MAIN CIVIL AIRPORTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, TEN ARE TODAY OCCUPIED BY FOREIGN TROOPS. FREE AIRPORTS ARE IN KARLOVY VARY (WEST BOHEMIA), HOLESOV (MORAVIA) AND PIESTANY (WESTERN SLOVAKIA), AND THE BRATISLAVA AIRPORT IS RELEASED ONLY PARTIALLY."

THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR SAID FURTHER "A TELEGRAM ARRIVED FROM BRATISLAVA TODAY THAT THE EQUIPMENT IS IN ORDER, SO THAT THE AIRPORT CAN BE CONSIDERED AS CAPABLE FOR OPERATION."

HE ALSO SAID, THE RADIO REPORTED, THAT "AT THE PRAGUE RUZYNE AIRPORT, EQUIPMENT IS TODAY CONTROLLED BY A COMMISSION OF OUR ADMINISTRATION OF TRANSPORT AIRPORTS, ACCOMPANIED BY SOVIET OFFICERS." "THE NEW AIRPORT BUILDING," THE RADIO SAID, "DID NOT RPT NOT SUFFER ANY LARGER DAMAGE."

GABRIEL SAID FURTHER "AT THE SAME TIME, THE DIFFICULT TALKS WITH THE COMMANDERS OF FOREIGN TROOPS CONTINUE," AND HE ADDED THAT THE PRESENCE OF THE FOREIGN TROOPS AT THE AIRPORTS "MEANWHILE BLOCKS THE ENTIRE CIVIL AIR TRAFFIC."

THE RADIO FURTHER QUOTED GABRIEL AS SAYING THAT "WITHOUT A FUNDAMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMAND OF THE FOREIGN TROOPS, IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO RESTORE ANY OF THE LINES WITH THE CERTAINTY THAT THE FLIGHTS WOULD BE SECURE."

GABRIEL ADDED, ACCORDING TO THE RADIO, THAT "IT IS ASSUMED THAT ALREADY TOMORROW THE CZECHOSLOVAK AIRLINES WILL CARRY OUT THE FIRST FLIGHT FROM PRAGUE TO BRATISLAVA." (RADIO CENTRAL BOHEMIA DOMESTIC/M, SEPT 2, 1910) LD/JH/BG/HE SEPT 2 2230/68 +

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