

X-13/ CS --- SOVIET AMBASSADOR : TROOPS STAY UNTIL THREATS REMOVED
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PARIS SEPT. 3 (RFE SPECIAL/OVADIA) --- THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE, VALERIAN ZORIN, SAID LAST NIGHT THAT CZECHOSLOVAKIA WILL REMAIN OCCUPIED "UNTIL THE THREATS AGAINST THE SOVIET REGIME AND OF COUNTER-REVOLUTION HAVE BEEN REMOVED".

THE AMBASSADOR, WHO ATTENDED A PARTY ON THE NORTH VIETNAMESE NATIONAL HOLIDAY, ALSO SAID THE SOVIET UNION HAD NO INTENTION OF INVADING RUMANIA.

EARLIER YESTERDAY, ZORIN WAS RECEIVED BY FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER MICHEL DEBRE, BUT HE REFUSED TO COMMENT ON HIS VISIT.

"HOWEVER", ZORIN SAID TO NEWSPAPER MEN PRESENT AT THE NORTH VIETNAM GENERAL DELEGATION IN PARIS, "AS CONCERNS OUR ATTITUDE TOWARDS RUMANIA, I REFER YOU TO THE DECLARATIONS BY OUR AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES, ANATOL DOBRYNIN. THE SOVIET PRESS AND RADIO HAVE CLEARLY INDICATED THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS NO INTENTION WHATEVER OF INVADING RUMANIA".

ASKED HOW LONG THE SOVIET TROOPS ARE GOING TO REMAIN IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR SAID : "UNTIL THE MOMENT WHEN THE DEFENSE OF SOCIALISM IS ASSURED, THAT IS TO SAY UNTIL THE MOMENT WHEN THE THREAT AGAINST THE SOVIET REGIME AND THE COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY THREAT HAVE BEEN REMOVED".

ZORIN SAID THAT IN HIS OPINION, THE CZECHOSLOVAK EVENTS SHOULD HAVE NO IMPACT ON EAST-WEST RELATIONS. BUT, HE SAID, SEVERAL COUNTRIES, AMONG THEM FEDERAL GERMANY, WERE BENT ON COMPROMISING DETENTE.

AMONG THE GUESTS OF NORTH VIETNAM'S GENERAL DELEGATE TO PARIS WERE THE BULGARIAN AND RUMANIAN AMBASSADORS WHO DECLARED THERE WAS NO NEED TO WORRY ABOUT THE WORLD SITUATION.

HOWEVER, THE YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR IVO VEJVODA, JUST BACK FROM BELGRADE, EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER THE SITUATION AND OVER SOVIET INTENTIONS.

JOURNALISTS WHO ASKED THE NORTH VIETNAMESE AND THE CHINESE REPRESENTATIVES ABOUT CONTRADICTIONARY HANOI AND PEKING VIEWS ON THE SOVIET INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, WERE TOLD BY BOTH DIPLOMATS THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES REMAINED UNITED IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST THE COMMON ENEMY OF AMERICAN IMPERIALISM.

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