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X/4 C/S --1ST ADD 1800 INTRO CZECHOSLOVAKIA (CN 120) XXX MOSCOW

THE PRESIDUM OF THE REGIONAL PARTY COMMITTEE OF WESTERN BOHEMIA HAS REITERATED ITS SUPPORT FOR THE LEADERSHIP OF ALEXANDER DUBCEK.

THE NORTH BOHEMIAN REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE PARTY CALLED ON ALL COMMUNISTS NOT RPT NOT TO PERMIT A RETURN TO THE PRE-JANUARY CONDITIONS AND OF ITS "EXPONENTS."

THE STATEMENTS OF THE REGIONAL PARTY BODIES WERE REPORTED BY CZECHOSLOVAK RADIOS TODAY. THE MEETINGS FOLLOWED A PLENARY SESSION OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY ON AUG 31 WHICH ELECTED A NEW PRESIDUM.

THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY DAILY RUDE PRAVO TODAY APPEARED FOR THE FIRST TIME AFTER 12 DAYS.

IN ANOTHER INTERNAL DEVELOPMENT THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE AND INFORMATION WILL BE RENAMED TO MINISTRY OF CULTURE AS FROM TODAY, RADIO PRAGUE REPORTED. THIS WAS BECAUSE THE MAJORITY OF THE MINISTRY'S INFORMATION SECTION HAD BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE NEWLY-FORMED OFFICE FOR PRESS AND INFORMATION.

(THE OFFICE IS TO OVERSEE THE ACTIVITY OF THE MASS COMMUNICATION MEDIA.)

IN MOSCOW TODAY THE DAILY SOVETSKAYA ROSSIA CHARGED THAT "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY SCUM WERE STILL ACTIVE IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND CALLED FOR VIGILANCE BY ALL COMMUNISTS.

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