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HE SAW THE ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR
- EAST EUROPEAN AFFAIRS, PETER HAYMAN, WHO REAFFIRMED THE BRITISH
CONDEMNATION OF THE INVASION.

IN BONN, THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR SEMYON TSARAPKIN CALLED
ON WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KURT-GEORG KIESINGER YESTERDAY TO
DISCUSS CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND WEST GERMAN-SOVIET RELATIONS. OFFICIALS
REFUSED TO MAKE ANY COMMENT ON THE DISCUSSIONS.

THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN PARIS, VALERIAN ZORIN, DELIVERED A
MESSAGE FROM HIS GOVERNMENT TO THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT
YESTERDAY AT AN HOUR-LONG MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER MICHEL
DEBRE. FRENCH OFFICIALS SAID THE MESSAGE DEALT WITH "RECENT
EVENTS IN CENTRAL EUROPE," BUT GAVE NO OTHER DETAILS.

QUESTIONED BY REPORTERS AS HE LEFT THE QUAI D'ORSAY, ZORIN
ALSO REFUSED TO COMMENT ON THE TALKS, BUT HE DID SAY THAT
RUMORS OF A PLANNED SOVIET INVASION OF RUMANIA WERE "UNFOUNDED."

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