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C/S -- CZECHOSLOVAK SCIENTIST TO DO RESEARCH IN U.S.

WASHINGTON, SEPT 4 REUTER - A CZECHOSLOVAK BIOLOGIST, DR. JAN KLEIN, HAS REACHED THE UNITED STATES AFTER REQUESTING A VISA AT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN TOKYO, WHERE HE WAS ATTENDING AN INTERNATIONAL GENETICS CONGRESS LAST WEEK, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY.

A SPOKESMAN DECLINED TO DESCRIBE THE 33-YEAR OLD BIOLOGIST'S REQUEST TO COME HERE AS A DEFECTION FROM HIS COUNTRY.

HE WAS ALLOWED TO ENTER THE U.S. UNDER AN EXCHANGE-TYPE VISA PERMITTING HIM TO UNDERTAKE RESEARCH AT STANFORD AND MICHIGAN UNIVERSITIES.

IN PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA, STANFORD UNIVERSITY LATER DENIED A REPORT THAT DR KLEIN HAD DEFECTED TO THE UNITED STATES.

DR KLEIN OF THE PRAGUE INSTITUTE OF EXPERIMENTAL BIOLOGY, AN AUTHORITY ON TRANSPLANTATION GENETICS, ARRIVED LAST FRIDAY ON A RESEARCH VISIT ARRANGED SEVEN MONTHS AGO, THE UNIVERSITY SAID.

STANFORD SAID DR. KLEIN WOULD WORK THERE UNTIL JANUARY 31, 1969, AND WOULD THEN CONTINUE HIS RESEARCH FOR SEVERAL MONTHS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN IN WASHINGTON SAID HE HAD NO IMMEDIATE INFORMATION TO CONFIRM A JAPANESE REPORT THAT TWO OTHER CZECHOSLOVAK SCIENTISTS ATTENDING THE TOKYO CONGRESS HAD LEFT FOR THE UNITED STATES.

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