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X/13 C/S -- NO CHANGE ON WEST GERMAN BORDER

MUNICH, SEP 4 (GND/MACDONALD)-- THE SITUATION ON THE WEST GERMAN-CZECHOSLOVAK BORDER REMAINED UNCHANGED TODAY.

THE BAVARIAN INTERIOR MINISTRY SAID THAT IN THE 24 HOURS UP TO 0600 HOURS TODAY 774 PEOPLED CROSSED INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND 969 LEFT THE CSSR.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT "MANY CZECHOSLOVAKS " TRAVELLED IN BOTH DIRECTIONS.

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF TOURISTS, WHO ARE STILL BANNED FROM ENTERING CZECHOSLOVAKIA, TRAFFIC IS "ALMOST NORMAL", HE ADDED.

SOVIET TROOPS ARE STILL POSTED AT THE THREE BORDER CROSSING - POINTS BUT ARE NOT INTERFERING WITH TRAVELLERS.

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