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THE COMMUNIQUE SAID THE COMMITTEES CONDEMNED THE PRESSURES APPLIED BY THE SOVIET UNION TO OBTAIN THE SUPPRESSION OF FREEDOM OF OPINION AND THE RESTORATION OF CENSORSHIP.

"THEY DENOUNCED THE ARREST AND ABDUCTION OF CZECHOSLOVAK CITIZENS AND LEADERS BY THE OCCUPATION FORCES," IT SAID.

IT CALLED ON THE WARSAW PACT TROOPS TO WITHDRAW FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND EXPRESSED SOLIDARITY WITH THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE "WHICH BY ITS CIVIC MATURITY AND COURAGE HAS SHOWN AND IS SHOWING ITS DETERMINATION TO DEFEND ITS RIGHT TO INDEPENDENCE AND ITS ASPIRATION FOR A FREER AND MORE HUMANE REGIME."

IT WAS THE DUTY OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL TO DO EVERYTHING IN THEIR POWER TO WELCOME AND HELP CZECHOSLOVAK REFUGEES, THE COMMUNIQUE SAID.

A LASTING PEACE BETWEEN EAST AND WEST WAS ONLY CONCEIVABLE IN THE FUTURE IF ALL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WERE GRANTED THE RIGHT SELF-DETERMINATION, IT SAID.

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