

CN 207

X/4 C/S - 1ST ADD - GOVERNMENT DISCUSSES RADIO ... (CN 163)

DISCUSSIONS

RADIO PRAGUE SAID TONIGHT THE GOVERNMENT DISCUSSION ON THE HANDING OVER OF BUILDINGS OF CZECHOSLOVAK RADIO AND TELEVISION AND ADDITIONAL EDITORIAL OFFICES OF THE DAILY PRESS FOR NORMAL WORK MEANT "A FURTHER STEP TOWARDS NORMALIZATION" IN THE COMMUNICATIONS FIELD.

THE RADIO REPORTED THAT TRANSPORT MINISTER FRANTISEK REHAK BRIEFED THE GOVERNMENT ON THE STATE OF RAIL AND ROAD TRANSPORT, AND "ANNOUNCED THAT, ACCORDING TO NEGOTIATIONS SO FAR, THE OPERATION OF DOMESTIC AND SOME INTERNATIONAL AIR ROUTES SHOULD BE RESUMED ON SEPTEMBER 9 AT THE LATEST, AND ON SEPTEMBER 14 ALL INTERNATIONAL LINKS SHOULD BE OPEN AGAIN."

THE RADIO FURTHER SAID MINISTER OF LABOR AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS MICHAL STANCEL "TOLD THE GOVERNMENT THAT PAYMENTS TO THE RETIRED ARE SAFEGUARDED."

THE RADIO WENT ON TO SAY THAT "IN RELATION TO THE INCREASED NEED OF WORKERS FROM AMONG THE RETIRED IN VITAL SECTORS OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMY, THE GOVERNMENT AGREED THAT THEIR PENSIONS WILL NEITHER BE REJECTED NOR CUT, EVEN IF THEY WORK FOR A LONGER TIME PERIOD THAN VALID REGULATIONS ALLOW."

ACCORDING TO THE RADIO, THE GOVERNMENT, PRESIDED OVER BY PREMIER OLDRICH CERNIK, "DISCUSSED THE DRAFT LAW ON MEASURES FOR THE STRENGTHENING OF PUBLIC CALM AND ORDER, MEASURES CONCERNING PUBLIC ASSEMBLY AND ASSOCIATION, AS WELL AS THE NON-PERIODICAL PRESS."

(MORE) JH/JM/E SEPT 4 2148/68 (pew) /15