

X/4 C/S - RADIOS REPORT ON ECONOMIC DAMAGE BY INVASION

MUNICH, SEPT 4 (CMD) - A REPORT BY THE CZECHOSLOVAK TRANSPORT MINISTRY SAID TODAY THE DAMAGE CAUSED TO THE COUNTRY'S TRANSPORTATION HAS REACHED UP TO NOW THE AMOUNT OF 4.5 BILLION CROWNS, CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION REPORTED.

THE MINISTRY'S REPORT ADDED THAT "IN THESE DAYS THE SITUATION BEGINS TO NORMALIZE."

MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRY JOSEF KREJCI SAID OVER RADIO PRAGUE TONIGHT THE "GREAT LOSS" IN HEAVY INDUSTRY ALONE HAS SO FAR REACHED THE FIGURE OF 1,600 MILLION CROWNS.

RADIO BRATISLAVA REPORTED ON THE EXTENT OF ECONOMIC DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA BY TROOPS OF THE SOVIET UNION AND ITS FOUR ALLIES.

IT SAID IN MACHINE ENGINEERING AND METALLURGY, LOSSES HAVE REACHED IN SLOVAKIA ABOUT 450 MILLION CROWNS.

THE RADIO ALSO REPORTED THAT THE ECONOMIC LOSS IN CIVILIAN AIR TRAFFIC REPRESENTS 2.5 MILLION CROWNS EACH DAY, AND IN ADDITION HALF A MILLION "FOREIGN CURRENCY CROWNS."

THE RADIO SAID "THE AIRCRAFT OF CZECHOSLOVAK AIRLINES ARE READY TO RESUME FLIGHTS. UNFORTUNATELY, OUT OF THE TOTAL OF TEN CIVILIAN AIRPORTS, ONLY TWO WERE FREED UNTIL YESTERDAY, HOLESOV (MORAVIA) AND KARLOVY VARY (WESTERN BOHEMIA). THE OTHERS REMAIN OCCUPIED BY THE FIVE ARMIES' TROOPS." (CZECHOSLOVAK TELEVISION/M, SEPT 4, 1900; RADIO PRAGUE DOMESTIC/M, SEPT 4, 1900; RADIO BRATISLAVA DOMESTIC/M, SEPT 4, 1700, 1900)

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