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INVASION

VIENNA, SEPT 5 (RFE SPECIAL/KOSTRBA)-- THE AUSTRIAN PRO-CHINESE MARXIST-LENINIST PARTY (MLPOE)-- HAS CONDEMNED THE WARSAW PACT INTERVENTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND APPEALED TO CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNISTS TO RESIST THE "REVISIONIST" INTERVENING FORCES.

THE "MLPOE" DEVOTED THE FIRST SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF ITS CENTRAL ORGAN "ROTE FAHNE" ON SALE IN VIENNA ON THURSDAY TO THE CZECHOSLOVAK CRISIS.

REPRINTING A SPEECH OF ITS SECRETARY-GENERAL, FRANZ STROBL, "ROTE FAHNE" ATTACKED NOT ONLY THE WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES FOR THEIR INTERVENTION BUT ALSO THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY LEADERSHIP FOR "COUNTER-REVOLUTION AND REVISIONISM".

ACCORDING TO "ROTE FAHNE", THE LEADING ROLE OF THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY AND ITS FELLOW-TRAVELLERS WITHIN THE REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT HAS NOW COME TO AN END.

THE "MLPOE" TURNED ALSO AGAINST WHAT IT CALLED "THE AUSTRIAN COMMUNIST PARTYS CAPITULATION" AND ATTACKS VIOLENTLY THE AUSTRIAN PARTYS STAND IN THE CZECHOSLOVAK CRISIS.

"ROTE FAHNE" IS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF THE DUBCEK REGIMES ATTITUDE "BECAUSE IT FAILED TO CALL UPON THE ARMY AND THE POPULATION TO RESIST THE INVADERS".

PUTTING THE CZECHOSLOVAK CRISIS INTO WIDER POLITICAL CONTEXTS, "ROTE FAHNE" MAINTAINS THAT THE WARSAW PACT INTERVENTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA BECAME POSSIBLE ONLY AFTER A PERTINENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES. BOTH POWERS ARE TRYING TO COME TO TERMS ON A DIVISION OF THE GLOBE INTO A SOVIET AND AMERICAN SPHERE OF INFLUENCE.

IN A LEAFLET ATTACHED TO THE "ROTE FAHNE" ISSUE, AND UNDER THE HEADING "FOR AN INDEPENDENT, SOCIALIST CZECHOSLOVAKIA", "MLPOE" APPEALS TO THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE TO ORGANIZE "NATIONAL RESISTANCE ON A BROAD BASIS AGAINST THE RULE OF THE ALIEN POWERS".

BUT SUCH A RESISTANCE IS NOT TO BE LED BY "COUNTER REVOLUTIONARY ELEMENTS LIKE DUBCEK, SVOBODA, SMRKOVSKY", THE LEAFLET SIGNED BY "MLPOES" CENTRAL COMMITTEE, CONCLUDED.

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