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CS - 1ST ADD IZVESTIA ... (CN 194) XXX DINNER

AT THE SAME TIME, THE SOVIET CORRESPONDENTS DEFENDED THREE CZECHOSLOVAK PROVINCIAL COMMUNIST PARTY COMMITTEES WHICH CZECHOSLOVAK CONSERVATIVES HAD ACCUSED OF MAKING ONLY TACTICAL CONCESSIONS TO THE NEW ORDER.

THE THREE IZVESTIA CORRESPONDENTS HAILED THE SUPPORT GIVEN TO THE MOSCOW AGREEMENT BY THE NORTH MORAVIAN, NORTH CZECH AND CENTRAL CZECH PROVINCIAL PARTY COMMITTEES.

"CERTAIN OF OUR CZECHOSLOVAK COMRADES ARE INCLINED TO THINK THAT THE LATEST DECISIONS OF THESE THREE MAJOR ORGANISATIONS ARE ONLY A TACTICAL MOVE. BUT WE THINK THIS IS NOT SO," THE CORRESPONDENTS WROTE.

"CLEARLY THIS IS THE ACTIVISATION AND CONSOLIDATION OF ALL THOSE IN THE PARTY WHO REALISE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FURTHER FATE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC."

THE CORRESPONDENTS ALSO PRAISED THE BOARD OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK JOURNALISTS UNION FOR HOLDING UP EDITIONS OF THE MAGAZINES REPORTER AND SVET V OBRAZECH BECAUSE THEY CONTAINED ARTICLES THAT "DID NOT CORRESPOND TO THE SPIRIT OF THE MOSCOW NEGOTIATIONS."

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