

X/13 W. GER - LEADING WEST GERMAN POLITICIANS ON CS EVENTS

MUNICH, SEPTEMBER 5 (GND/GAERTNER)- LEADING WEST GERMAN POLITICIANS OF ALL PARTIES REPRESENTED IN THE BONN PARLIAMENT - THE CDU/CSU, SPD AND FDP - AGREED TONIGHT IN A TELEVISED PUBLIC DISCUSSION IN A BONN METAL FACTORY THAT THERE WAS NO ALTERNATIVE TO CONTINUING THE KIESINGER GOVERNMENT'S PEACE POLICY.

DR. BRUNO HECK, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CDU AND MEMBER OF THE BONN CABINET, SAID THAT THE "PEACE POLICY OF THE WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT WAS NOW AS NECESSARY AS BEFORE THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA BY WARSAW PACT FORCES."

THE SOVIET UNION WAS "NOW WAGING AN ALL-OUT COLD WAR AGAINST WEST GERMANY," DR. HECK SAID.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY, HELMUT SCHMIDT, SAID THAT THE PRESENCE OF SOVIET ARMORED DIVISIONS ON THE WEST GERMAN - CZECHOSLOVAK BORDER "DISTURBED THE MILITARY BALANCE OF POWER IN EUROPE."

SCHMIDT SAID THAT IN VIEW "OF THE NEW MILITARY SITUATION IN CENTRAL EUROPE ALL WITHDRAWALS OF ALLIED TROOPS SHOULD BE STOPPED."

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE OPPOSITION FREE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, WOLFGANG MISCHNIK, SAID THAT THE PLANNED TALKS BETWEEN WEST GERMAN ECONOMICS MINISTER KARL SCHILLER AND HIS EAST GERMAN COUNTERPART, SOELLE, SHOULD NOT BE CANCELLED BUT SHOULD BE POSTPONED FOR THE TIME BEING.

"WE SHOULD NOT CLOSE DOORS WHICH WE HAVE TO USE ONE DAY AND ON THE OTHER HAND WE SHOULD NOT OPEN THE WRONG DOORS", MISCHNIK SAID.

ALL THREE AGREED THAT WEST GERMANY WOULD REMAIN A MEMBER OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANISATION WHEN IT COMES UP FOR EXTENSION NEXT YEAR.