

X/4 C/S -- PRAVDA SAYS POLITICAL CHANGE IN CS IS SLOW

MUNICH, SEP 6 (CMD)-- THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY NEWSPAPER PRAVDA SAID TODAY THAT CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS RECOVERING ECONOMICALLY BUT THAT CHANGES IN POLITICAL AND PUBLIC LIFE WERE ONLY IN THE "INITIAL STAGE."

"WHAT ARE THE HITCHES?" ASKED PRAVDA.

"FIRST OF ALL," IT ANSWERED, "THE CONTINUING RESISTANCE ... BY COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY FORCES. THEY COMMIT ACTS OF TERRORISM AND SUBVERSION. AT THE SAME TIME THEY ARE USING NEW TACTICS IN THE CHANGED CONDITIONS.

"FACTS SHOW THAT ON FAILING IN THEIR HEAD-ON ATTACK, THE ENEMIES OF SOCIALISM ARE NOW TRYING TO UNDERMINE THE PEOPLES TRUST IN THE DECISIONS OF THE LATEST PLENARY MEETING OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, TO SLANDER THE MOSCOW TALKS, TO DISCREDIT THE PARTY AND STATE LEADERSHIP.

"STILL CIRCULATED ARE FANTASTIC RUMORS AND CONCOCTIONS SUCH AS, FOR INSTANCE, RUMORS ABOUT ARRESTS FOR POLITICAL REASONS, ALTHOUGH THIS WAS OFFICIALLY REFUTED."

THE PRAVDA REPORT, TASS SAID, WAS WRITTEN BY PRAVDA'S CORRESPONDENTS IN PRAGUE. TASS QUOTED THEM AS SAYING THAT THE "ARSENAL OF STRUGGLE AGAINST NORMALIZATION" INCLUDES VARIOUS METHODS.

"THERE ARE," THE DISPATCH SAID, "NUMEROUS NEW FACTS OF THE VICTIMIZATION OF HONEST PEOPLE, OF BEATINGS, OF MORAL TERROR AND THREATS AGAINST THOSE WHO HAVE UNDERSTOOD THE EVENTS AND WANT TO RESPOND WITH DEEDS TO THE APPEALS OF THE PARTY AND GOVERNMENT BODIES."

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