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PARIS, SEPT 6 (RFE SPECIAL/EDWARDS) -- TWO FRENCH LEFTWING PARTIES -- THE SOCIALISTS AND RADICALS -- YESTERDAY CRITICIZED FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY REACTIONS TO SOVIET POLICIES IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF THE RADICALS LAST NIGHT PUBLISHED A COMMUNIQUE " DEPLORING THE FACT THAT THE FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY, AFTER PUBLICLY DISAVOWING THE MILITARY INTERVENTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, HAS CONSIDERED IT NECESSARY TO CONTRADICT THIS CONDEMNATION ITSELF, BY APPROVING AS A POSITIVE ACT THE MOSCOW DIKTAT IMPOSED ON PRAGUE ONLY UNDER PRESSURE OF MILITARY FORCE.

THE SOCIALIST STATEMENT, MADE A FEW HOURS EARLIER, HAD SAID THAT THE FRENCH COMMUNISTS HAD PULLED BACK FROM THEIR ORIGINAL CONDEMNATION OF THE SOVIETS AND WARNED THAT A RETURN TO OBEDIENCE TO MOSCOW WOULD WRITE AN END TO HOPES OF LEFTWING UNITY IN FRANCE.

FOR SEVERAL YEARS NOW, THE FRENCH COMMUNISTS HAVE FORMED ELECTORAL ALLIANCES WITH SOCIALISTS AND RADICALS AND THE ENTIRE FRENCH LEFT HAS BEEN ABLE TO FACE THE GAULLISTS AS A UNITED FRONT.

THE RADICAL STATEMENT CAME TOO LATE LAST NIGHT TO DRAW COMMUNIST REACTION THIS MORNING, BUT THE COMMUNIST DAILY L'HUMANITE REPLIED TO THE SOCIALIST CRITICISM.

IT SAID THE PARTYS POSITION WAS " PERFECTLY CLEAR : WE STOOD UP CLEARLY AGAINST THE MILITARY INTERVENTION, WE DECLARED OURSELVES FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION INVOLVING THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE DROOPS OF INTERVENTION, WE VOICED THE HOPE THAT THE APPLICATION OF THE DECISIONS OF MOSCOW WOULD OPEN THE WAY TO SUCH A SOLUTION.

" THERE IS NO DRAWING BACK THERE, NO CHANGE AND NOT THE SLIGHTEST AMBIGUITY," SAID L'HUMANITE.

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