

BERLIN, SEPT. 7 (RFE SPECIAL/SCHLEICH) -- ONE OF THE MAJOR EAST GERMAN NEWSPAPERS TODAY SHARPLY CRITICIZED THE "IRRESOLUTE" ATTITUDE OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS AND DEMANDED THAT THEY TAKE RIGOROUS ACTION AGAINST THE "ORGANIZED COUNTER-REVOLUTION."

"OTHERWISE THIS WILL NOT RPT NOT WORK OUT ALRIGHT IN THE LONG RUN," DEPUTY EDITOR-IN-CHIEF KLAUS RADDATZ OF THE "FREE GERMAN YOUTH" (FDJ) DAILY JUNGE WELT WARNED IN A COMMENTARY IN THE PAPER.

THE AUTHOR CITED THE LEADER OF A "YOUTH BRIGADE" IN AN EAST BERLIN FACTORY WHO TOLD AN FDJ MEETING AT THE PLANT ON THURSDAY THAT "WE FEEL IT'S GOING TOO SLOW (IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA), AND THIS IS WHAT MANY OF US THINK."

THE JUNGE WELT EDITOR COMMENTED:

"I DON'T LIKE THIS EITHER, HOW IRRESOLUTELY THE COUNTER-REVOLUTION IS BEING TREATED IN PRAGUE."

HE OBSERVED THAT PROMINENT CZECHOSLOVAK LEADERS, INCLUDING PRESIDENT SVOBODA AND KPC FIRST SECRETARY DUBCEK, HAD SIGNED AN "OBLIGING DOCUMENT" IN MOSCOW. BUT AT PRAGUE NEWS STANDS IT WAS STILL POSSIBLE TO BUY NEWSPAPERS WHICH WERE CALLING ON THE PUBLIC NOT RPT NOT TO COMPLY WITH THE TERMS OF THE DOCUMENT, AND WHILE THE AUTHORITIES FAILED TO EFFECTIVELY BAN THESE PAPERS THEY WERE EVEN DISTRIBUTED BY THE POSTAL SYSTEM'S NEWSPAPER SERVICE IN SPOTS, THE COMMENTATOR NOTED.

"SHOULD THE COMRADES IN PRAGUE NOT SEE TO IT WITH GREATER DETERMINATION THAT THEIR SIGNATURE IS BEING RESPECTED?" HE ASKED.

"IN THE WEST" IT WAS BEING OPENLY DISCUSSED "THAT ARMED COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS WITH AT LEAST 40,000 MEMBERS" EXISTED IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA, THE JUNGE WELT EDITOR STATED, "BUT THE MILITIA IS NOT YET SEARCHING FOR THEM AND THE COURTS STILL CANNOT PUT THEM ON TRIAL."

CZECHOSLOVAK ECONOMICS MINISTER OTA SIK HAD "BEGUN TO SELL THE CZECHOSLOVAK ECONOMY TO THE WEST" AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS HAVING SHORT-TERM DEBTS TO THE TUNE OF 500 MILLION DOLLARS WHICH SIK WANTED TO PAY THROUGH "AN ENORMOUS PRICE INCREASE" WHICH HE INTRODUCED IN THE COUNTRY BEFORE AUG. 21.

"NOW SIK IS IN YUGOSLAVIA, AND HE IS NOT RPT NOT BEING FIRED IN DISGRACE BUT HIS REQUEST FOR RESIGNATION, WHICH HE TURNED IN FROM YUGOSLAVIA, IS BEING POLITELY ACCEPTED," THE EAST GERMAN COMMENTATOR SAID.

THESE AND OTHER EXAMPLES AS WELL AS THE SPEECHES OF "THE LEADING COMRADES IN PRAGUE" WERE LEAVING A "CONFLICTING IMPRESSION."

THE JUNGE WELT EDITOR SAID HE WAS NOT RPT NOT OVERLOOKING EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT THE CIERNA, BRATISLAVA AND MOSCOW AGREEMENTS, "BUT FREQUENTLY NORMALIZATION APPEARS TO BE UNDERSTOOD ONLY IN SUCH A MANNER THAT THE FACTORIES WILL WORK AGAIN, THAT THE STREET-CARS WILL OPERATE AGAIN, AND THAT THE TROOPS OF THE ALLIES WHICH HAD COME TO RENDER ASSISTANCE WILL LEAVE THE COUNTRY AGAIN."

HOWEVER, ALL THIS WAS NOT RPT NOT THE PRIMARY QUESTION, HE SAID.

"THE DECISIVE MATTER NOW IS THAT THE CSSR LEADERSHIP WILL ACT IN DETERMINED MARXIST FASHION, THAT THE WHOLE TRUTH ABOUT THE COUNTER-REVOLUTION IS BEING SPREAD...AND THAT THE FULL POWER OF THE STATE AUTHORITY IS BEING APPLIED AGAINST THE ORGANIZED COUNTER-REVOLUTION," THE EAST GERMAN COMMENTATOR DECLARED.

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