

X/4 C/S -- MOSCOW ACCUSES BBC OF FORGERY, SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY

MUNICH, SEPT 7 (CMD) - RADIO MOSCOW, IN A BROADCAST TO BRITAIN LAST NIGHT ACCUSED THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION (BBC) OF COOPERATING WITH WEST GERMAN ARMY UNITS IN SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES DURING THE CZECHOSLOVAK CRISIS.

THE RADIO ACCUSED BBC OFFICIALS OF BROADCASTING REPORTS FROM "CLANDESTINE" CZECHOSLOVAK STATIONS WHICH IT KNEW WERE IN REALITY TRANSMITTERS SET UP ALONG THE BORDER BY WEST GERMAN PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE ARMY UNITS.

RADIO MOSCOW SAID: "THE BBC DELIBERATELY USED THESE WEST GERMAN FORGERIES TO INFLAME ANTI-SOVIET PASSIONS BOTH IN BRITAIN AND IN OTHER COUNTRIES... (THIS) CONFIRMS THE SUBVERSIVE CHARACTER OF ITS OWN ACTIVITIES DURING THE CZECHOSLOVAK EVENTS."

IN ADDITION, MOSCOW RADIO SAID, THE BBC "EVEN SINCE THE SITUATION (IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA) RETURNED TO NORMAL, HAS CONTINUED TO URGE LISTENERS TO SABOTAGE THE MEASURES OF THE LAWFUL GOVERNMENT OF THAT COUNTRY."

THE FULL TEXT OF THE BROADCAST BY VLADIMIR VOLODIN:

"THERE IS GOOD REASON TO BELIEVE THAT DURING THE CZECHOSLOVAK EVENTS THE BBC OPERATED IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH WEST GERMAN PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE ARMY UNITS. NOW I AM PERFECTLY WELL AWARE THAT THIS IS A CHARGE THAT MOST LISTENERS ARE PROBABLY INCLINED TO POOH-POOH OR PERHAPS EVEN TO BRUSH ASIDE WITH SOME INDIGNATION. FRANKLY SPEAKING, DESPITE THE FLOOD OF ANTI-SOVIET PROGRAMS PUT OUT BY THE BBC WE, TOO, FOUND IT DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE THIS. HOWEVER, JUST CONSIDER THE FACTS.

"YOU PROBABLY REMEMBER THAT IN THE LAST DAYS OF AUGUST THE BBC BEGAN BROADCASTING THE REPORTS OF THE SO-CALLED CZECHOSLOVAK UNDERGROUND RADIO STATIONS EVERY HOUR ON ALL ITS CHANNELS. TO GIVE THESE REPORTS MORE PROMINENCE, IT WOULD OFTEN CUT SHORT THE PROGRAM ON THE AIR AT THAT MOMENT. THE REPORTS WERE ALSO PLAYED UP IN TELEVISION PROGRAMS. THE BROADCASTS OF THESE CLANDESTINE STATIONS WERE PRESENTED AS HEROIC ACTIVITIES BY THE CZECHOSLOVAK RESISTANCE FORCES.