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WHEN MR. GOMULKA SPOKE OF THE ENTRY OF WARSAW PACT TROOPS INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA HE NAMED ONLY FOUR OF THE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES, OMITTING EAST GERMANY. BUT IN THE NEXT SENTENCE HE SAID THE DECISION TO ACT HAD BEEN TAKEN BY FIVE STATES.

COMMUNIST DIPLOMATS INCLUDING RUMANIAN AND CZECHOSLOVAK REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDED THE CEREMONY, BUT WESTERN AMBASSADORS WERE ABSENT ALTHOUGH SOME LOWER-RANKING DIPLOMATS PARTICIPATED.

MR. GOMULKA SAID THAT IF THE FORCES OF COUNTER-REVOLUTION AND REACTION HAD SUCCEEDED IN DESTROYING THE UNITY OF WARSAW PACT STATES, THE SITUATION IN EUROPE WOULD HAVE BEEN SIMILAR TO THAT IN THE FAR EAST WHERE THE DESTRUCTION OF A UNIFIED FRONT BY THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS MADE POSSIBLE UNITED STATES AGGRESSION AGAINST NORTH VIETNAM.

MR. GOMULKA SAID COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY AND ANTI-SOCIALIST FORCES HAD SUCCEEDED IN LOOSENING TIES LINKING CZECHOSLOVAKIA WITH ITS WARSAW PACT ALLIES AND HAD THUS WEAKENED THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY.

LIQUIDATION OF THIS DAMAGE AND REBUILDING OF UNITY AND FRATERNAL COOPERATION COULD BE ACHIEVED ONLY BY ALL PARTIES OBSERVING THE PRINCIPLES OF MARXISM-LENINISM.

"THE AGREEMENT CONCLUDED IN MOSCOW WITH THE PARTY AND STATE LEADERS OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA INDICATES THE ROAD TOWARDS REBUILDING OUR UNITY.

"IT IS A DIFFICULT ROAD AND IT MAY BE A LONG ROAD. IT DEPENDS PRIMARILY ON THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNIST PARTY, ON THE UNDERSTANDING BY THIS PARTY OF THE POLITICAL CONTENT OF THE EVENTS THAT TOOK PLACE IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND IN THE RANKS OF THE PARTY PRIOR TO AUGUST 21 THIS YEAR," MR. GOMULKA SAID.