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VISITS - 1ST ADD PRAVDA PRINTS ATTACK (CN-81) XXX ACTION

THE ARTICLE DID NOT DIRECTLY CRITICIZE RUMANIA, WHICH HAS BEEN OUTSPOKEN IN ITS CRITICISM OF THE WARSAW PACT INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

IT NOTED STEWART WAS GOING THERE WHILE HE HAD CANCELLED HIS VISITS TO HUNGARY AND BULGARIA, BOTH OF WHICH HAD FORCES IN THE CZECHOSLOVAK OPERATION.

SOME BRITISH LEADERS, IT SAID, WERE ATTEMPTING TO REVIVE THE COLD WAR WHICH WOULD MEAN BRITAIN "HAD DECIDED TO PLAY INTO THE HANDS OF BONN."

IT SAID "BRITAIN'S PRESTIGE AS A GREAT POWER DEPENDS ON THE CONSTRUCTIVE ACTIONS IT TAKES TO DEVELOP GENERAL EUROPEAN COOPERATION."

BUT IF BRITAIN BECOMES A SIDEKICK OF BONN "IN THE COMMON MARKET WHERE WEST GERMAN MONOPOLIES RULE," THE ARTICLE SAID, "EVEN THE MOST RABID ANTI-COMMUNISTS CAN HARDLY BELIEVE IT WILL BE ABLE TO SOLVE ALL THE PROBLEMS IT WILL FACE IF IT SHORTSIGHTEDLY BREAKS UP WITH THE COUNTRIES OF THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY AND STARTS INTERFERING IN THEIR INTERNAL AFFAIRS."

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