

X/13 C/S - INGRAO."RETURN TO NOVOTNY-TYPE ADMINISTRATION
UNACCEPTABLE

ROME, SEPT. 9.--(RFE SPECIAL/ROBERTIELLO).--LEADING ITALIAN
COMMUNIST PIETRO INGRAO HAS SAID ANY RETURN TO A NOVOTNY-
TYPE ADMINISTRATION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA WOULD ONLY AGGRAVATE
THE CRISIS IN WHICH THAT COUNTRY FINDS ITSELF.

SPEAKING AT A COMMUNIST RALLY YESTERDAY IN MILAN, THE PARTY
POLITICAL OFFICE MEMBER ALSO SAID THAT REPRESSIVE METHODS
AND MILITARY INTERVENTION IN THE COMMUNIST WORLD WERE UNACCEP-
TABLE.

"THE PROFOUND ORIGIN OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK CRISIS," INGRAO
SAID, "LIES IN THE BUREAUCRATIC CENTRALISM THAT CHARACTERIZED
THE TYPE OF ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF POWER UNDER
NOVOTNY.

"EVERY ATTEMPT AND PRESSURE TO RETURN TO THOSE METHODS CAN
ONLY AGGRAVATE THE CRISIS."

INGRAO SAID THAT FOR THIS REASON THE ITALIAN COMMUNISTS
WANTED CZECHOSLOVAKIA TO MOVE FORWARD "ALONG THE PATH OF
DEMOCRATIC RENEWAL."

HE SAID HIS PARTY SAW IN THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS
FROM THAT COUNTRY "THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENT IF ONE WANTS TRULY
TO SPEAK OF NORMALITY."

"WE DO NOT RPT NOT BELIEVE AND CANNOT RPT NOT ACCEPT,"
INGRAO ADDED, "THAT, FIFTY YEARS AFTER THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION,
THE STRENGTH OF SOCIALIST POWER COULD BE ENTRUSTED ONLY TO
REPRESSIVE METHODS AND ACTUALLY EXTERNAL MILITARY INTERVENTION.

"THE STRENGTH OF THE SOCIALIST REVOLUTION AND OF SOCIALIST
POWER LIES FIRST OF ALL IN THE PARTICIPATION AND SELF-GOVERNMENT
OF THE MASSES AND IN THE ABILITY OF THE REVOLUTIONARY AVANT-
GARDE TO PROMOTE, PROVOKE, AND GUARANTEE THIS SELF-GOVERNMENT
OF THE MASSES."

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