

X/13 CURT -- BELGIAN SOCIALISTS IN EURO PARLIAMENT CALL FOR
INTEGRATION

BRUSSELS, SEPT 9 (RFE SPECIAL/DYBVIK) -- THE BELGIAN SOCIALIST GROUP IN THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT HAS CALLED FOR EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH AN ECONOMICALLY AND POLITICALLY INTEGRATED EUROPE TO PROVIDE A "COMMUNAL POLICY VIS-A-VIS THE COUNTRIES OF THE EAST."

A STATEMENT UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE GROUP DURING THE WEEKEND ALSO VOICED HOPES FOR A QUICK WITHDRAWAL OF WARSAW PACT TROOPS FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND DECLARED THEIR SOLIDARITY "WITH THE DEMOCRATIC FORCES OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA."

THE MEETING OF THE BELGIAN SOCIALIST GROUP IN THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT WAS CALLED TO DISCUSS EVENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. THE FULL STATEMENT SAID:

"THE GROUP ASSERTS ITS SOLIDARITY WITH THE DEMOCRATIC FORCES OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA, AND ITS ARDENT HOPES FOR THE IMMEDIATE EVACUATION OF ALL FOREIGN OCCUPATION FORCES AND POLICY IN ORDER THAT A SOVEREIGN AND INDEPENDENT CZECHOSLOVAKIA MAY DEFINE ITS POLICY.

"THE GROUP FURTHERMORE STATES THE ABSOLUTE NECESSITY TO REASSEMBLE ALL DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES OF EUROPE IN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IN ORDER THAT THE VOICE OF AN ECONOMICALLY AND POLITICALLY INTEGRATED EUROPE MAY BE HEARD. IT HOPES THAT THE COMMON MARKET WILL ESTABLISH WITHIN THE SHORTEST DELAY AND WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A COMMUNAL COMMERCIAL POLICY, A COMMUNAL POLICY VIS-A-VIS THE COUNTRIES OF THE EAST.

"FINALLY, THE GROUP FEELS THAT, ALTHOUGH APPROPRIATE VIGILANCE TO THE PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES MUST BE MAINTAINED, THE POLICY OF DETENTE REMAINS ONE WHICH, DESPITE OBSTACLES ENCOUNTERED IN ITS WAY, MUST NOT BE COMPROMISED," THE STATEMENT CONCLUDED.

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