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C/S - CARITAS AIDS CSSR REFUGEES

VATICAN CITY, SEPT 9 (UPI)--THE CATHOLIC RELIEF ORGANIZATION CARITAS INTERNATIONAL SAID TODAY IT IS HELPING REFUGEES FROM CZECHSLOVAKIA AND KEEPING READY FOR POSSIBLE NEW ARRIVALS.

CARITAS SAID HAD SET UP SEVERAL RELIEF CENTERS IN AGREEMENT WITH ITS AUSTRIAN AND ITALIAN BRANCHES AND "AT THE EXPRESS DESIRE" OF POPE PAUL.

IT SAID THE POPE HAD PERSONALLY CONTRIBUTED A "SIZEABLE SUM" TO THE RELIEF OPERATION. NO FIGURES OR OTHER DETAILS WERE GIVEN.

"AN EMERGENCY PLAN HAS BEEN WORKED OUT BY CARITAS FOR THE EVENT THE NUMBER OF REFUGEES MIGHT INCREASE," THE ORGANIZATION SAID.

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