

X/13 CS -- MORE CS CITIZENS RETURN

MUNICH, SEPTEMBER 9 (GND/MACDONALD) -- MORE CZECHOSLOVAK CITIZENS ARE NOW RETURNING HOME OVER THE THREE BORDER CROSSING-POINTS BETWEEN WEST GERMANY AND THE CSSR, THE BAVARIAN INTERIOR MINISTRY SAID TODAY.

THE SPOKESMAN ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT SEVERAL THOUSAND CZECHS AND SLOVAKS ARE STILL WAITING IN BAVARIA. THE NUMBER WHO HAVE APPLIED FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC REMAINS SMALL.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THAT ABOUT 700 PEOPLE ARE NOW CROSSING THE BORDER INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA DAILY AND AROUND THE SAME NUMBER ARE COMING OUT. THESE FIGURES INCLUDE WEST GERMANS AND OTHER WESTERNERS.

THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE OVER THE WEEKEND AT THE THREE CROSSING-POINTS, WHERE CZECHOSLOVAK BORDER OFFICIALS CONTINUE TO CONTROL TRAVELLERS WITH SOVIET SOLDIERS LOOKING ON.

WESTERN TOURISTS AND JOURNALISTS ARE STILL BARRED.

(DPA/GND) -- THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK ENTERPRISE MOTOKOV, DR. KAREL ALMASY, SAID IN COLOGNE TODAY THAT WEST GERMAN BUSINESSMEN CAN STILL TRAVEL TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

SPEAKING AT THE INTERNATIONAL BICYCLE AND MOTOR-CYCLE EXHIBITION, HE SAID THAT APPLICATIONS FOR VISAS MUST BE MADE TO THE CZECHOSLOVAK TRADE MISSION IN WEST BERLIN.

DR ALMASY SAID THAT HE WAS SATISFIED WITH THE BUSINESS DONE BY MOTOKOV AT THE COLOGNE EXHIBITION. HE COMMENTED THAT THE ENTERPRISE COULD DELIVER MORE CYCLES AND MOTOR-CYCLES TO WEST GERMANY IF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WOULD GRANT MORE IMPORT LICENCES.

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