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(REUTER) -- POLISH NEWSPAPERS

TODAY RENEWED ACCUSATIONS THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK PRESS WAS HAMPERING THE NORMALISATION PROCESS IN ITS OWN COUNTRY, AND WARNED THAT REACTIONARIES AND ANTI-SOCIALIST FORCES HAD NOT BEEN CRUSHED.

DISSATISFACTION WAS REFLECTED IN HEADLINES READING: "FALSE INFORMATION IN PRESS DOES NOT BENEFIT THE NORMALISATION PROCESS," AND "GOSSIP AND ILLEGAL PUBLICATIONS EXCITE THE POLITICAL ATMOSPHERE."

A PRAGUE DESPATCH FROM TWO CORRESPONDENTS OF THE OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY PAP ACCUSED THE CZECHOSLOVAK AGENCY CETEKA OF PUBLISHING CONTRADICTORY REPORTS ABOUT THE DOMESTIC ECONOMIC SITUATION FOLLOWING LAST MONTHS INVASION BY WARSAW PACT FORCES.

"THIS AND OTHER SIMILAR EXAMPLES PROVE THAT CZECHOSLOVAKIA IS A LONG WAY FROM ACHIEVING CRYSTALLISED VIEWS AND THAT A PROCESS OF POLARISATION AROUND TWO CONTRADICTORY TENDENCIES IS GOING ON INSIDE THE CZECHOSLOVAK COMMUNITY."

THE PAP MESSAGE ADDED THAT "REACTIONARIES ARE STILL AN ATTRACTIVE FORCE FOR SOME SECTIONS AND CENTRES OF SOCIETY."

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