

## WORLD -- SHORTER ITEMS

LISBON, SEPT. 10 (UPI)--PORTUGUESE PREMIER ANTONIO SALAZAR IS MAINTAINING HIS STEADY RECOVERY FROM SATURDAY'S OPERATION TO REMOVE A BLOOD CLOT ON HIS HEAD, DOCTORS ANNOUNCED TONIGHT.

A MEDICAL BULLETIN ISSUED AT 8 P.M. (2000 MT) SAID:

"THE IMPROVEMENT IS ACCENTUATED. THE PRIME MINISTER SLEPT SEVEN HOURS OF TRANQUIL SLEEP. IN THE MORNING HE WALKED UNAIDED AROUND HIS ROOM AND DID NOT FEEL TIRED.

"HE SAT FOR FOUR HOURS IN AN ARMCHAIR WHERE HE WAS SERVED LUNCH. HIS BLOOD PRESSURE BEFORE AND AFTER THE WALK, SITTING, LYING DOWN AND STANDING UP, DID NOT ALTER."

SALAZAR, 79, AND RULER OF PORTUGAL SINCE 1928, DEVELOPED THE BLOOD CLOT AS A RESULT OF A FALL FIVE WEEKS AGO. A FEW DAYS BEFORE HE UNDERWENT THE OPERATION HE STARTED COMPLAINING OF HEADACHES.

DOCTORS SAID THAT AS FROM SUNDAY HE WILL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE VISITORS.

## YUGOSLAV NAVY READY

BELGRADE, SEPT 10, REUTER - COMBAT READINESS OF THE YUGOSLAV NAVY HAS BEEN RAISED TO ENSURE THAT IT CAN FULFIL "ALL NECESSARY TASKS," ONE OF ITS COMMANDERS SAID TODAY.

VICE-ADMIRAL BOGDAN PECOTIC, COMMANDER OF THE SPLIT MILITARY REGION, SAID THE NEED FOR COMBAT READINESS WAS GREATER THAN BEFORE.

HIS STATEMENT CAME IN A NAVY DAY SPEECH.

IN SPLIT, REPORTED BY TANJUG NEWS AGENCY.

ADMIRAL PECOTIC EXPRESSED SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLE OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND SAID RECENT EVENTS IN CENTRAL EUROPE HAD AROUSED THE INDIGNATION OF YUGOSLAV NAVY MEN.

"OUR PEOPLE HAVE AT THE SAME TIME SHOWN THEIR DETERMINATION TO DEFEND THE FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE OF THEIR COUNTRY AT ANY PRICE," HE SAID.

EVERYTHING HAD BEEN DONE TO RAISE THE COMBAT READINESS OF THE YUGOSLAV NAVY TO AS HIGH A LEVEL AS POSSIBLE. THIS READINESS GUARANTEED THAT NAVY UNITS WOULD FULFIL ALL NECESSARY TASKS.

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