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POLAND: Government Resolve

The regime is intent on making than its determination to rein in anti-Soviet activity.

Polish media reported yesterday that public gatherings in the southwestern province of Wroclaw had been banned following the distribution of "anti-Soviet propaganda" there. At least three Solidarity activists were detained, and Solidarity threatened a strike if they were not released; Wroclaw transit workers may have already begun a strike action on their own.

It is unclear how the ban--the first to be imposed since the founding of Solidarity last year--is to be enforced. It could serve as a partial test of martial law plans long in preparation, and it will surely provide a gauge of popular sentiment.

The show of government resolve may be intended partly to prompt Solidarity leaders—who are meeting today in Gdansk—to make some effort to control anti—Soviet agitators. Solidarity leader Walesa has previously criticized such activity as harmful to the union's interests, but he will be reluctant to comment until he is sure that the government is not using the "anti-Soviet" charge to mask a crackdown on local union informational activities.

Meanwhile, party leader Jaruzelski has made a significant early effort to smooth relations with the Church in a meeting yesterday with the Polish Primate, Archbishop Glemp. According to a domestic television account, both men agreed that joint Church-state action should continue as part of the search for "a broad plane of national accord."

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