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7. THE ILLEGAL RADIO BROADCASTS STILL COMING OUT OF THE  
CSSR ARE BEING SENT ON THE HIDDEN TRANSMITTERS OF AN EMERGENCY  
NETWORK ESTABLISHED THROUGHOUT TVFSZSSR SOME TIME AGO TO BE USED  
IN THE EVENT OF AN ATOMIC WAR.

8. MINISTER PAVEL NOVOTNY OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK LEGATION IN  
VIENNA HAS REFUSED TO EXTEND THE EXIT VISAS OF SEVERAL CZECHOSLOVAK  
FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICERS CAUGHT IN VIENNA BY THE SOVIET INTER-  
VENTION WHO WISH TO REMAIN UNTIL THE SITUATION CLARIFIES.  
DURING HIS BRIEF STAY AT THE LEGATION ON 22/23 AUGUST, FOREIGN  
MINISTER HAJEK LEFT THE QUESTION OF THE EXTENSION OF EXIT VISAS  
TO NOVOTNY'S DISCRETION. MINISTER NOVOTNY AND COUNSELLOR HOLAN  
APPEAR TO BE WAITING TO SEE WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA  
BEFORE COMMITTING THEMSELVES PUBLICLY ON EVENTS THERE.

9. ON 23 AUGUST NORMAL WORK AND WORKING HOURS IN THE CZECH  
LEGATION IN VIENNA CONTINUED TO BE COMPLETELY DISRUPTED, WITH MOST  
OFFICIALS LISTENING TO RADIOS OR DISCUSSING THE NEWS. TENSION  
WAS HIGH NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF THE REACTION TO DEVELOPMENTS IN THE  
CSSR BUT ALSO BECAUSE OF UNCERTAINTY OVER THE LOYALTIES OF  
COLLEAGUES AND FEAR OF TAKING THE WRONG STAND.

EXPRESS, VIENNA MORNING NEWSPAPER, 24 AUGUST

10. FREE RADIO PRAGUE ASKED RAILROAD WORKERS TO HINDER THE ADVANCE  
OF OCCUPATION TROOPS, OF WHOM THERE WERE SAID TO BE 500,000  
ALREADY IN THE CSSR. FREE RADIO BRATISLAVA ASKED CITIZENS TO  
SABOTAGE THE MOVEMENT OF OCCUPATION TROOPS AND REFUSE TO SELL THEM  
FOOD. THE NEWSPAPER RUDE PRAVO WAS SECRETLY PRINTED AND  
DISTRIBUTED GRATIS IN PRAGUE ON 23 AUGUST.

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11. OCCUPATION TROOPS IN THE CSSR WERE TRYING DESPERATELY TO LOCATE CLANDESTINE RADIO STATIONS. ON 23 AUGUST A TRAIN WITH SPECIAL EQUIPMENT FOR LOCATING RADIO STATIONS WAS DISPATCHED TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA. CZECH RAILROAD WORKERS SUCCEEDED IN HOLDING IT UP TEMPORARILY IN CESKA TREBOVA NORTH OF BRNO.  
KURIER, VIENNA MORNING NEWSPAPER, 24 AUGUST

12. CONTINUING ARRESTS IN PRAGUE REPORTEDLY INCLUDED INTERIOR MINISTER JOSEF PAVEL.

VOLKSSTIMME, ORGAN OF THE AUSTRIAN COMMUNIST PARTY, 24 AUGUST

13. THE CZECH COMMUNIST PARTY HAS RESPONDED TO POPULAR APPEALS TO DELCARE THE CSSR A NEUTRAL STATE WITH A DECLARATION THAT THE PARTY WISHES TO RESTORE NORMAL RELATIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTIES OF THE USSR AND OTHER WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES AS SOON AS THE OCCUPATION TROOPS ARE WITHDRAWN. THE EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS OF THE CZECH CP WILL CONTINUE INDEFINITELY IN SESSION.

14. THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CSSR SENT A MESSAGE TO THE NEWLY ELECTED CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CZECH CP AFFIRMING THAT IT WHOLLY SUPPORTS THE DECLARATIONS OF THE CP EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS AND OFFERING ALL POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

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15. THE AUSTRIAN TRADE UNION FEDERATION HAS BROKEN RELATIONS WITH THE TRADE UNION FEDERATIONS OF THE USSR, HUNGARY, BULGARIA AND POLAND AND WITHDRAWN ALL OUTSTANDING INVITATIONS TO THEIR REPRESENTATIVES.

16. AUSTRIAN TRAVELERS RETURNING 23 AUGUST FROM HUNGARY REPORTED THAT EAST GERMAN AND CZECH NATIONALS WERE DETAINED THERE AND THAT HUNGARY HAS CALLED UP SOME RESERVES. BUDAPEST STREETCAR EMPLOYEES STRUCK IN SUPPORT OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA FROM 0800 TO 0900 HOURS 23 AUGUST.

17. AT 2150 23 AUGUST THE CROSSING POINT DRASENHOEN NORTH OF VIENNA REPORTED THAT SINCE 1530 HOURS APPROXIMATELY 160 CARS HAD LEGALLY CROSSED THE BORDER. AMONG THE PASSENGERS WERE 76 CZECH CITIZENS SOME WITH VALID AUSTRIAN VISAS. APPROXIMATELY 40 AUSTRIAN VISAS WERE ISSUED TO THE OTHERS AT THE BORDER.

18. DURING THE EVENING OF 23 AUGUST THREE CZECH CITIZENS APPEARED AT THE BORDER CROSSING WULLOWITZ IN UPPER AUSTRIA TO GIVE AUSTRIAN BORDER GUARDS A PROCLAMATION SIGNED BY INHABITANTS OF THREE SMALL CZECH VILLAGES SUPPORTING DUBCEK AND SVOBODA. EO 12958  
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19. [REDACTED] OBSERVED CZECH BORDER GUARDS REMOVING SOVIET INSIGNIA FROM THE BORDER GATES DURING THE EARLY HOURS OF 23 AUGUST AT THE CROSSING POINT OPPOSITE GMUND IN LOWER AUSTRIA.

20. AT VIENNA AIRPORT ONLY SOVIET PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN PERMITTED TO SERVICE SOVIET AIRCRAFT SINCE THE MILITARY OCCUPATION OF THE CSSR.

21. CZECH PARTICIPANTS AT THE NINTH WORLD PARACHUTE CHAMPIONSHIP AT GRAZ DISTRIBUTED TO ALL OTHER DELEGATIONS A RESOLUTION OPPOSING SOVIET OCCUPATION OF THEIR COUNTRY AND PROTESTING AGAINST THIS VIOLATION OF THE UN CHARTER. THE DELEGATION EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR THE LEGAL CZECH GOVERNMENT AND SAID THEY WOULD RETURN TO THE CSSR.

22. [REDACTED] DISSEM: NONE.  
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