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A SPOKESMAN FOR THE FOREIGN MINISTRY TODAY ISSUED THE FOLLOWING  
STATEMENT ON THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT'S POSITION IN REGARD TO THE  
RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA:

THE IMPERIAL IRANIAN GOVERNMENT, EXPRESSING DEEP SORROW AND  
SYMPATHY TOWARD THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN NATION, CONSIDERS ANY  
INTERFERENCE IN THE AFFAIRS OF OTHER NATIONS AND ANY RESORT  
TO FORCE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS CONTRARY TO INTERNATIONAL  
LAW AND PRACTICES AND THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS  
CHARTER. THAT IS WHY THE MILITARY INTERVENTION IN CZECHOSL-  
OVAKIA WHICH HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT WITHOUT THE REQUEST OF THE  
LEGALLY CONSTITUTED GOVERNMENT OF THAT NATION IS UNJUSTIFIABLE  
TO THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT. THE IMPERIAL IRANIAN GOVERNMENT HOPES  
A JUST SOLUTION WILL BE FOUND WHEREBY THE RIGHTS OF THE  
CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE, LIKE ALL OTHER INDEPENDENT NATIONS, SHALL  
BE PROTECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WISHES OF THAT NATION. MEYER

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