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SUBJ: CONGO (K) REACTION TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA EVENTS

REF: KINSHASA 11097

1. IN ADDITION TO RADIO STATEMENT CONDEMNING SOVIET INTER-VENTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA REPORTED REFTEL, CONGO (K) AUTHORITIES ARRANGED FOR OFFICIAL MPR PARTY YOUTH WING (JMPR) TO SEND DELEGATION TO SOVIET EMBASSY TO PRESENT PETÎTION WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON. PETÎTION FOLLOWED LÎNE OFF RADIO STATEMENT.

2. ABOUT SEVENTY-FIVE UMPR MEMBERS, MANY OF THEM IN UNIFORM, WERE RECEIVED BY SOVIET EMBASSY OFFICER WHO TALKED TO THEM FOR ABOUT HALF HOUR OUTSIDE CHANCERY. DEMONSTRATION WAS COMPLETELY PEACEFUL. MCBRIDE