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INFORMATION -
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For the President
From Walter Rostow
In addition to what
followed we have
reports from Prague that
our Embassy is
surrounded by Soviet
occupation troops.
Sent Rostow
to have Dobrynin in
to protest.

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FM AMEMBASSY PRAGUE
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4708
INFO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW IMMEDIATE

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1. WE ARE HAVING TROUBLE WITH SOVIET OCCUPATION FORCES AND
MAY HAVE MORE.

2. YESTERDAY THREE OF OUR VEHICLES WITH DIPLOMATIC TAGS WERE
STOPPED AND SEARCHED AND A BURST OF BULLETS WAS FIRED OVER THE
CAR IN WHICH OUR ARMY ATTACHE WAS TRAVELLING. MANDERSCHIED'S
APARTMENT WAS BROKEN INTO LAST NIGHT BY SOVIET TROOPS AND A
SPORTING SHOTGUN REMOVED. JUST NOW A COUPLE OF SOVIET SOLDIERS
WITH RIFLES WERE SIGHTED IN THE UPPER GARDEN AROUND THE GLORIETA.
WE ARE NOW FLYING OUR FLAG FROM THERE.

3. AM PROTESTING THESE INCIDENTS TO SOVIET EMB BUT DOUBT THIS
WILL DO MUCH GOOD. BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR DEPT TO TAKE
STEPS IN MOSCOW AND ALSO WITH SOVIET AMB WASHINGTON MAKING
PROTEST IN APPROPRIATE FORM WITH WARNING OF SERIOUS
CONSEQUENCES AND REQUESTING PROTECTION OF OUR PERSONNEL AND
PROPERTY.

4. COULD MENTION OUR DIPLOMATIC CAR LICENSES ARE PREFIXED
BY DD 20 AND 21 FOLLOWED BY TWO DIGITS. OFFICIAL LICENSES
PREFIXED BY KK 20. GP 3. DEAM

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