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SUBJECT: MEXICAN REACTION TO CZECH INVASION

1. CROWD ESTIMATED ABOUT 1,500 DEMONSTRATED FRONT OF SOVIET EMBASSY HERE 5 PM AUGUST 25. MANY PLACARDS "RUSSIA LEAVE CZECHOSLAVAKIA," "CHAOS NO, OLYMPICS YES." DEMONSTRATORS SHOUTED "SHOOT AT ME, ASSASINS," "DEATH TO RUSSIA" AND EVEN "RUSSIANS OUT OF MEXICO - LET'S BREAK RELATIONS."

2. PROMINENTLY PRESENT WAS ULTRA-RIGHTIST MURO (UNIVERSITY MOVEMENT OF NEW ORIENTATION). ALSO SOME INTELLECTUALS, FEW CZECHS. AND SOME MEXICAN BUSINESSMEN.

3. NOTEWORTHY THAT DEMONSTRATION TOOK PLACE IMMEDIATELY FRONT OF SOVIET EMBASSY GATES WHICH GOM HAS NOT PERMITTED TO HAPPEN AT US EMBASSY FOR AT LEAST FOUR YEARS.
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