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SUBJ: CZECHOSLOVAKIA

1. MFA SOURCES REPORT FOLLOWING DECISIONS WERE TAKEN AT EMERGENCY CABINET MEETING AUGUST 21: (A) NO OVERT REACTIONS TO BE TAKEN THAT MIGHT CAUSE ALARM, (B) AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE TO ADMIT CZECH REFUGEES SEEKING ASYLUM HERE AND TO HASTEN PLANS TO RECEIVE THEM, (C) ALL MINISTRIES, PRINCIPALLY MFA AND ECONAFF, TO REVIEW ALL BI-LATERAL RELATIONS WITH USSR, GDR, POLAND, HUNGARY, AND BULGARIA AND "COOL THEM OFF" WHERE POSSIBLE, I.E., VISITS ARE TO BE CANCELLED, ECONOMIC RELATIONS "SLOWED DOWN" (CONSULTATIONS ON THIS ARE TO BE UNDERTAKEN WITH BENELUX PARTNERS). SOURCES STATED GON

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DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY COUP IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA MIGHT BE
BROUGHT TO UN BUT DISCUSSION WAS INCONCLUSIVE.

2. SECOND CHAMBER FONAFF AND DEF COMMITTEES MET IN SPECIAL
SESSION AUGUST 21 WITH PRIMIN AND FONMIN. FOLLOWING MEETING,
DECISION ANNOUNCED THAT SPECIAL SECOND CHAMBER DEBATE WILL BE
HELD ON CZECH EVENTS "ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 27."
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