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SUBJ: SALVADORAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY CONDEMNS INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DEPUTIES AUGUST 21 UNANIMOUSLY CONDEMNED ARMED INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA BY SOVIET UNION AND OTHER WARSAW PACT NATIONS, NOTING THIS ACT OF AGGRESSION BROUGHT BACK MEMORIES OF 1956 BLOODY EVENTS IN HUNGARY. MOTION MADE TWO POINTS: A) CONDEMN INVASION UNDERTAKEN BY WARSAW PACT FORCES AGAINST THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE, TO HINDER THEIR FREE DETERMINATION: B) RECOMMEND TO EXECUTIVE POWER THAT IT SOLICIT OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS THEIR INTERVENTION TO SAFEGUARD THE LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE.

2. PREFACE TO MOTION WHICH INTRODUCED BY FIVE DEPUTIES OF CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC OPPOSITION PARTY (PDC), UNFORTUNATELY INCLUDED REFERENCE TO SOVIET EXCUSES "SIMILAR TO THOSE OF US WHEN IT UNDERTOOK INVASION OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TO IMPEDE SELFT DETERMINATION OF THAT LATIN AMERICAN SISTER NATION."