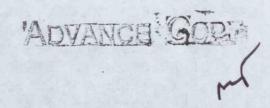
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WARSAW PACT SUMMIT: MOSCOW 4 DECEMBER: GORBACHEV'S MEETING WITH URBANEK AND ADAMEC.

SUMMARY

1. GORBACHEV STRESSES THE NEED FOR COMMUNISTS TO TAKE 'TIMELY ACCOUNT' OF DEMANDS FOR REFORM. IT IS AGREEDS THAT THE TERMS ON WHICH SOVIET TROOPS ARE STATIONED IUN CZECHOSLOVAKIA WILL BE EXAMINED . -

DETAIL

- 2. ACCORDING TO PRAVDA, URBANEK AND ADAMEC TOLD GORBACHEV THAT THERE WERE FORCES IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA WHICH WERE ''PUSHING THE COUNTRY OUT OF THE FRAMEWORK OF SOCIALIST CHOICE''. THE NEW PARTY LEADERSHIP WAS AGREED ON THE NECESSITY OF 'GETTING RID OF CONSERVATISM'', AND OF APPEARING AS ''A FORCE OF RENEWAL IN UNITY WITH ALL TO WHOM THE VALUES OF SOCIALISM AND DEMOCRACY WERE PRECIOUS''.
- 3. GORBACHEV REPORTEDLY EMPHASISED 'THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNISTS TAKING TIMELY ACCOUNT OF THE DEMANDS FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE LIFE OF SOCIETY WHICH WERE NOW COMING TO A HEAD. HOWEVER CONTRADICTORY THE PROCESS WHICH WAS NOW TAKING PLACE IN MANY EUROPEAN SOCIALIST COUNTRIES MIGHT APPEAR, THEY RESULTED FROM THE DEMANDS FOR PROFOUND CHANGE, A BREAKTHROUGH TO THE HIGH LEVEL SET BY CONTEMPORARY CIVILISATION. THE SOCIALIST IDEA IS NOT DYING AS SOME ARE TRYING TO ASSERT, BUT IS PRODUCING NEW SHOOTS, SHOWING ITS VITALITY IN MANY DIFFERENT FORMS AND OVERCOMING DIFFICULTIES.''
- 4. IT WAS NOTED THAT THE COMMUNIST PARTIES OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND THE SOVIET UNION TOOK 'AN IDENTICAL VIEW OF THE SENDING OF TROOPS OF FIVE WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES INTO CZECHOSLOVAK TERRITORY IN 1968. THE ACTION WAS AN INTERFERENCE IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS AND WAS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE NORMS OF RELATIONS BETWEEN SOVEREIGN COUNTRIES.''
- 5. THE PRESENCE OF SOVIET TROOPS ION CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS DISCUSSED. IT WAS AGREED THAT APPROPRIATE MINISTERS WOULD ANALYSE THE TERMS ON

PAGE 1 UNCLASSIFIED WHICH THEY WERE STATIONED THERE. THE REPORT CONTINUED 'THE REDUCTION OF ARMED FORCES AND ARMAMENTS, ON CONDITION THAT THE EUROPEAN BALANCE BE MAINTAINED AND EQUAL SECURITY AND THE INVIOLABILITY OF BORDERS OF ALL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES BE ENSURED - INCLUDING, NATURALLY, THOSE OF THE SOVIET UNION AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA, IS THE INDISPENSABLE GUARANTEE OF STABILITY IN EUROPE, OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF HELSINKI PROCESS, IN THE SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT IN WHICH ALL ITS PARTICIPANTS ARE INTERESTED.''

6. WE SHALL TRY TO OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE EXCHANGES FROM CONTACTS IN THE CZECH EMBASSY HERE.

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