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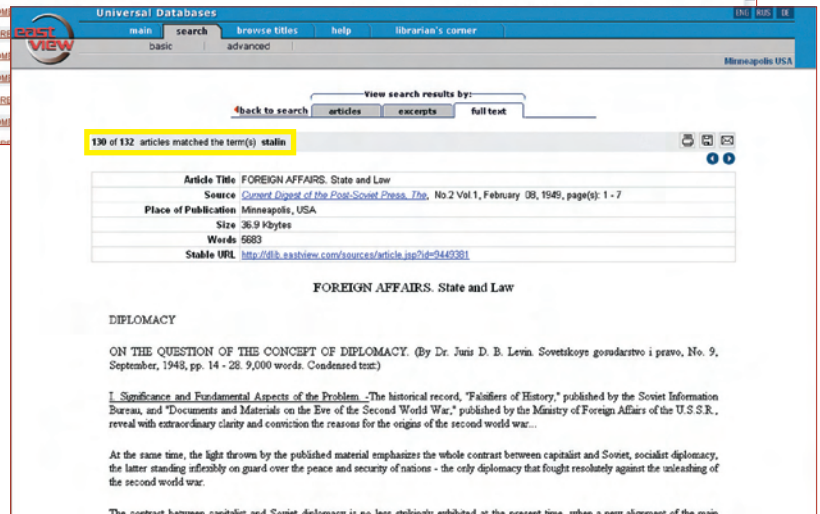
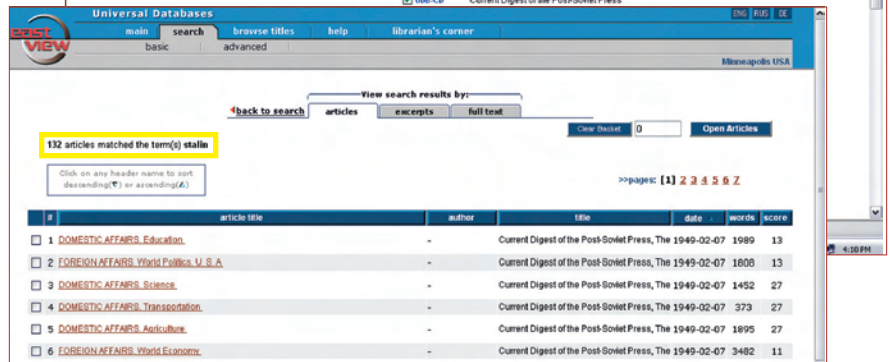
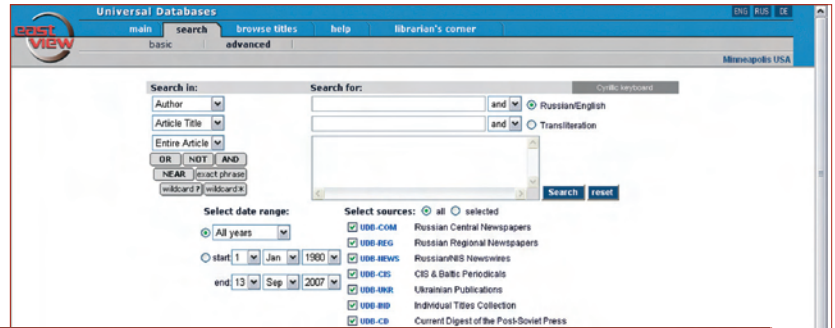
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## Forces of Warsaw Alliance Occupy Czechoslovakia

THE FIRST ANNOUNCEMENTS

TASS STATEMENT. (Pravda and Izvestia, complete text.) Tass is authorized to state that leaders of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, the Soviet Union and other allied states to give Czechoslovak people immediate assistance, assistance with armed forces. The reason for the threat posed to the socialist system existing and to the constitutionally established state revolutionary forces that have entered into internal forces hostile to socialism.

The events in Czechoslovakia and around once been the subject of exchanges of opinion the fraternal socialist countries, including Czechoslovakia. These countries are united that the support, strengthening and defense socialist gains are the common international socialist states. This common position of fully proclaimed in the Bratislava statement.

Further exacerbation of the situation in Czechoslovakia affects the vital interests of the Soviet Union socialist countries and the security interests socialist commonwealth. The threat to the Czechoslovakia is at the same time a threat of peace in Europe.

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message he called on the people to remain calm, realizing their civic responsibility, and in the republic to refrain from rash actions.

**CZECHOSLOVAK PEOPLE**

GROUP OF MEMBERS OF C.C.P. CENTRAL AND C.S.R. GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL (Pravda, Aug. 22, pp. 1, 4; Izvestia, p. 1. Citizens of Czechoslovakia, workers, peasants, res of the working intelligentsia, men, women people!

ment, when the country's fate is being decided, at it will forever be crucial in our history and our list and democratic development, at a moment t is a matter of the values won by our 20 years our sacrifices and by our labor, at a moment staked our all, we appeal to everyone to whom homeland is dear and for whom it really is the appeal to all of you, regardless of political af-filiation, religion or social position. to you at a time when the results of our socialist been jeopardized by forces that are abusing the

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### Crackdown on Sakharov as 'Subversive'

HE IS STRIPPED OF HONORARY TITLES

CONCERNING A. D. SAKHAROV. (Izvestia, Jan. 23, p. 6. Complete text.) For several years A. D. Sakharov has been conducting subversive activity against the Soviet state. In this connection, representatives of appropriate bodies of authority, public organizations and prominent Soviet scientists repeatedly warned him that such activity is impermissible.

Ignoring these warnings, Sakharov recently embarked on a path of open appeals to reactionary circles in imperialist states to interfere in the USSR's internal affairs.

Taking into consideration numerous proposals by the Soviet public, the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet has deprived A. D. Sakharov of the title of Hero of Socialist Labor and of all state awards, and the USSR Council of Ministers has deprived him of the titles he had been given as winner of USSR prizes.—(Tass.)

**'IMPERIALIST AGENT' OUSTED FROM MOSCOW**

A JUST DECISION. (By K. Batsmanov, Izvestia, Jan. 24, p. 6. Complete text.) Academician Sakharov has been deprived of the title of Hero of Socialist Labor and of all government awards and prizewinner titles. This is an extraordinary measure, but it is just.

Who is this Sakharov? Whom does he serve? Sakharov embarked on a path of outright betrayal of the interests of our homeland and of the Soviet people, because a shameless opponent of the socialist system, and wound up in the camp of heinous anticommunists, in the camp of ardent cold war champions. Those are the forces that he began to serve as he slipped into the quagmire of reaction.

Our enemies—imperialists and anticommunists of every stripe—made a hero of Sakharov because they saw in him a convenient instrument for conducting ideological sabotage against the Soviet Union and the countries of the socialist commonwealth.

The struggle of ideas is nothing new. It was not born yesterday, and it will not die tomorrow. While advocating peaceful coexistence and the deepening of the process of détente, Communists know very well that there never has been and cannot be any "ideological coexistence" in relations between states with different social systems. Our adversaries are also well aware of this. But instead of

waging a struggle of ideas, they are doing all they can to broaden the front of "psychological warfare" by attempting to turn their mass information media into full-fledged tools of ideological sabotage, especially under cover of the artificially inflated furor in the West over so-called "violations of human rights" in the socialist countries.

To carry out sabotage one needs saboteurs, of course. After World War II, they were recruited from the pool of traitors and collaborators. But the older generation of fascist hangers and murderers left the scene. New cadres were needed. So now Western recruiters are seeking out weaklings who are attracted by the possibility of gaining a sort of "international reputation" by betraying their homeland. Professional anti-Sovieters try to portray such people as "fighters for civil rights" or "victims of human rights violations." Let us say outright that the catch of renegades within our country was very skimpy indeed. It could not have been otherwise. A few criminals and a few vain half-educated people trying to attract attention to themselves in this way, since nothing

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