

Faculty statement prepared on Czechoslovakia affairs

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Several members of the faculty at the University of California, San Diego, have prepared a statement concerning their views of the intervention by the USSR and other Warsaw Pact countries in the domestic affairs of Czechoslovakia.

Nearly 100 faculty members have signed the statement, which reads as follows:

"The undersigned members of the UCSD faculty express their great concern over the intervention in the domestic affairs of Czechoslovakia by the USSR and other Warsaw Pact countries. This intervention is contrary to the charter of the United Nations and is incompatible with the principles of freedom guaranteed to all sovereign nations. We urge the President to seek in every peaceful way to get the USSR to reconsider its move."

The list of signatures includes: Dr. William J. McGill, Chancellor of UCSD; Dr. John L. Stewart, provost of John Muir College; Dr. Paul D. Saltman, provost of Revelle College; Dr. Armin Rappaport, provost of the Third~College; Dr. William A. Nierenberg, dean and director of Scripps Institution of Oceanography; Dr. Roy Harvey Pearce, professor of literature; Dr. E. Margaret Burbidge, professor of physics, and Dr. Bernd T. Matthias, associate director for the Institute for Pure and Applied Physical Sciences.

Persons signing the statement represent almost every department at UCSD, including Scripps Institution of Oceanography and the School of Medicine.