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Country: Czechoslovakia

Subject: Extraordinary Budget for the General Staff

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1. The General Staff is renewing its efforts to obtain an extraordinary budget allocation of approximately 3,000,000,000 kcs, called an investment fund, for long range purposes which would not be subject to detailed accounting to the Parliament.

2. Of this sum, it was learned, 200,000,000 kcs would be assigned for research purposes for 1948.

3. The largest part would go to the ammunition fund which would seek to purchase supplies from Czechoslovak industry so that by 1949 each artillery piece would have an ammunition stock four times its fire average. The latter figure refers to a calculation unit used by the artillery and means the number of rounds per piece fired in one day and quantitatively graded down with the increase in caliber. Thus the target aimed at by the Czechoslovak ammunition industry is a four day stock for each piece by 1949.

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