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Re Praha's 100 August 18 to Department and Department's 1408 August 21 to Frankfurt.

While no approval or disapproval was given agreement apparently reached by Sudeten Germans and Prohala Czech's agreement was brought to attention this office on July 31, 1950 by delegation consisting of Lodgmann, spokesman for Sudeten German Landsmannschaft, Seabohm, Minister for Transport for Federal Republic and Wollner, head of Sudeten organization in Hesse. Main points of agreement are:

- A. Both groups recognize their obligation to work for a unified Democratic Europe.
- B. This unified Democratic Europe must be built on principle of right of self determination.
- C. After liberation of Czechoslovakia from current Communist regime and after return of Sudeten Germans to their homeland Czechoslovakia must reject totalitarian system of government.
- D. Agreement rejects idea of collective guilt but would demand justice for crimes committed under any Totalitarian system whether under the Nazi from 1938-1945 or under any other regime since 1945.

While proposal made by Embassy Praha to disavow agreement has merit, it is believed here that the matter should be ignored since disavowal would probably antagonize the estimated 2.8 millions Sudeten Germans living in Germany and Austria and failure to disavow would not necessarily imply that the agreement was reached under American auspices.

Agreement being pouched to Department and Embassy Praha.

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