

SLOVAK WORLD CONGRESS

New York Chapter

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President of the United States of America
Jimmy Carter
White House
Washington, B.C.

Dear President Carter:

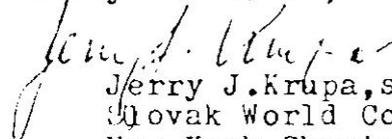
We are sending you a Resolution supporting the Human Rights of people of Slovakia, Moravia and Czechia.

Please remember that innocent people suffer unnecessarily in Czecho-Slovakia and other countries.

Enclosed are the signatures of the leaders of the Slovak-American societies: first Catholic Slovak Union of U.S.A., Branch 716; Slovak Catholic Sokol, Branch 182; Slovak League of America, Assembly 1; Slovak United Soccer Club, New York; Slovak Newspapermen's Association of America; Slovak World Congress, New York Chapter; together with Slovak-American opinion leaders and other supporters of the Human Rights in the New York Metropolitan area. Totaling 303 signatures.

The campaign to obtain signatures is organized by the New York Branch of the Slovak World Congress.

Respectfully submitted,


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cc: Secretary General of U.N.
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The New York Times
Slovak World Congress
Slovak newspapers abroad
Voice of America

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February 16, 1977.

RESOLUTION

WE AMERICANS OF SLOVAK DESCENT TOGETHER WITH SLOVAK-AMERICAN SOCIETIES AND OTHER CITIZENS OF THE NEW YORK METROPOLITAN AREA PROTEST AGAINST FREQUENT VIOLATIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE IN THE CZECHO-SLOVAK SOCIALIST REPUBLIC.

Dear Mr. President :

I. We thank you and greatly appreciate your protest against violations of the Human Rights in Czecho-Slovakia and other countries. We believe that the platform will become the moral principle of your administration.

II. We are forever getting bad news from Slovakia about systematic repression of the citizens who fight for the basic Human Rights which the government of Czecho-Slovakia signed as a member of the United Nations and again in the Helsinki Covenant,

III. We have to state again the sad fact that about 85 percent of the citizens of Slovakia, Moravia and Czechia are denied their basic Human Rights, namely :

- The Right of Free Speech is oppressed by the Communist Party Security Agencies.
- There is no Free Press, only that which is controlled by the Communist Party.
- There is no Freedom of Religious Belief. The official Communist Atheistic Ideology is brutally forced on children, that is crippling their normal development.

There is a case in Slovakia that a child committed suicide because a teacher ordered her class to publicly ridicule the child's religious belief.

- The only assembly allowed by the regime is that which is controlled by the Communist Party,
- The education is manipulated and controlled by the Communist officials who use it as a tool of fear against children and parents whose thinking is not in line with the official government propaganda.

An educator must be an atheist or he loses his job,

- The Right to Travel is also manipulated by the regime. Every citizen who wants to go to any free country is checked by many government agencies including his employer. If they find that his beliefs or opinions differ from that of the official Communist Ideology, he is not granted a permit to travel.

IV. It is our duty to stress that the moral principle of free people and free governments should be the strongest weapon. LIBERTY is more powerful than any atomic weapons.

Our great country of Jefferson, Washington and Lincoln has the noble duty to be the leader of a great world movement for the Human Rights on every continent.

Dear Mr. President, as the citizens of our free country using our Right for Free Speech, we ask you and our government not to deviate from the cause of helping the oppressed under any circumstances. In dealings with other governments we should not forget our great respect for the Human Rights.

For your noble effort, we are sure, you have the support of three million Americans of Slovak descent and every freedom loving man and woman in the United States of America.