

of course that these troops had simply retired into the country surrounding Czechoslovakia, and then the order was given for them to invade.

Q. May I ask a supplementary question? This denunciation of the invasion of Czechoslovakia; was it only directed to the Russian Government or to all the Governments participating?
Mr. Sharp: It is directed to all the Governments participating, but, of course, it is quite clear that the Soviet Union is the leader of the Warsaw Pact and of this group of countries.

I have given instructions that this message is to be conveyed to the Ambassadors of the countries that have been involved and are here in Ottawa, including the Ambassador of the Soviet Union, and, of course, we will also let it be known to our friends.

Mr. Loucks: This is quite a strong statement, Mr. Sharp, there are many in this world that apparently still remember 1938 and it hangs heavy on a lot of consciences. Are words going to be enough this time do you think?

Mr. Sharp: I'm sure that none of us would want to repeat the tragedy of Hungary, and in all of the Western countries there is great concern not to raise false hopes. It is very significant that the Western countries have all acted with great circumspection in this situation. To raise false hopes that we would be in a position to come to the help directly of those countries would I believe be a greater tragedy even than what has happened. We can only act now through the force of world opinion. This is not to be underestimated, and its effect upon the people of Eastern Europe is not to be underestimated. I'm sure that the invasion