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News Background

BERLIN - YUGOSLAV REACTION TO BERLIN SITUATION

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Munich, November 14 (Stankovic) -- While the Yugoslav Government spokesman in Belgrade declined today to take a stand on Khrushchev's call for an end to the four-power occupation of Berlin, the Ljubljana daily "Slovenski Porocevalec" of November 13 said editorially that it would have been much better if Nikita Khrushchev had left Berlin in peace and discussed certain problems which were much more important, such as bomb tests.

Writing under the title "Another Blockade?", "Slovenski Porocevalec" first quoted Khrushchev's words on Berlin and explained the importance of the divided German city, and then concluded: "Therefore one quite justifiably puts the question: Why was it necessary to touch this really ticklish problem, if one knows that there are so many other unsolved problems? Just to mention nuclear tests. Bringing into discussion the problem of Berlin in no way contributes anything at this moment to the problem of risky tests. Furthermore, it is very difficult to assert that introducing the problem of Berlin at this moment can contribute anything to the solution of other more urgent international problems."

End

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