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Czech delegation coming to learn about flooding

MEMPHIS, Tenn., February 15, 2008 – Mr. Jan Papez, president of the Czech Flood Protection

Association, will be the featured speaker at a meeting of the Society of American Military Engineers at 11:30 a.m. on Feb. 21, at the Spaghetti Warehouse, 40 W. Hulling, Memphis. The Memphis District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is also sponsoring his appearance at the luncheon, in conjunction with National Engineers Week. Papez will address his experience of developing flood plans and providing protection against floods in the Czech Republic.

Papez heads a delegation of officials from his nation who will visit here to learn how the Midsouth manages flood risk and fights floods.

Others in the group include Radek Brazda, Mayor, Troubky; Josef Šulc, Mayor, Zalezlice; Jiří Besser, Mayor Beroun; Rostislav Guth, Director, Citizen Safety Department and Crises Management, City of Prague; Luboš Navrátil, Director, Defense and Crises Management Department, Central Bohemia Region Governors Office and Secretary, Central Bohemia Region Flood Commission; Josef Piták, Vice-President, Czech Flood Protection Association; Daniel Kožík, assistant, Czech Flood Protection Association; Kateřina Papežová, fa KOORDINACE and Michal Gerlašinský fa KOORDINACE.

The meeting and luncheon are open to the public, however those wishing to eat lunch should call Ryan McDaniel at 683-3900 for reservations.