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Final thoughts of sedemdesiatnici (70 year olds)

Monday, August 29, 2016

I learned that new Slovak word when watching the director of our summer program in Bratislava being interviewed by a TV reporter. She said that 31 countries were represented in the 13 levels of the course. There were over 150 students including two "sedemdesiatnici" from the USA. LOL - That's Joe and me.

This was the closing ceremony where we got our certificates.



Here I am with my classmates. Certificates were awarded by class and then alphabetically by country which is why I was last (USA)



I really earned that certificate too considering that my class (level 6) was taught completely in Slovak. I got an 82% on the final exam.

Joe was in level 1. There were 3 Americans there. I bet you can pick the 70 year old out of this group easily.

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Here's what the outside of the building looked like exactly 48 years ago, August 1968, when the attempt to liberalize restrictions (Prague Spring) was crushed by the Soviet army. Three students were killed.



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