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**Václav Havel**

(Dissident dramatist imprisoned under the Communist régime; later President of Czechoslovakia and then of the Czech Republic after the secession)

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(Czech writer, loved Franz Kafka)

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(Czech Republic)

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**Seifert**

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**Monika Zgustova**

(Journalist and novelist, b. Prague, l. Barcelona; writes at *El País* and other newspapers; novelist and dramatist; translator from Czech and Russian, trans. prizes Angel Crespo and Ciudad de Barcelona)

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