

Government that India had some differences with the U.S.A.; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) P.M. had stated at the Press Conference that "Our relations with the United States have vastly improved, despite the differences on certain issues".

3135. [*Withdrawn*]

Review of bilateral relations with member countries of O.I.C.

3136. MISS. SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to review their bilateral relations with each country belonging to the Organisation of Islamic Conference (O.I.C.) which have taken an anti-India attitude on the Kashmir issue as per the newsitem entitled "Stance on Kashmir: Policy change likely with O.I.C." which appeared in the Hindustan Times, dated 20th June, 1992; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R. L. BHATIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. We have conveyed in suitable terms to the Governments of the Member States of the OIC that their stance at the OIC in regard to Kashmir will be taken note of in the context of bilateral relations.

Indian council for cultural relations

3137. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present managerial composition of Indian Council for Cultural Relations;

(b) the expenditure incurred by the Council during the last three years, year-wise, particularly on hosting foreign troupes; and

(c) the number of Indian troupes sent abroad and the expenditure incurred on them during the same period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) The authorities of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations are:

- (1) General Assembly
- (2) Governing Body
- (3) Finance Committee

(4) Any other Committee which the President, General Assembly, Governing Body may set up for discharging any of the functions of the Council.

The Council has a permanent secretariat and the Director General is the Principal Executive Officer of the Council. The Director General is an ex-officio member of all bodies established under the constitution of the ICCR.

(b) The expenditure incurred by the Council during the last three years, year-wise, on hosting foreign troupes is:

1989-90	Rs.	262,47,449.18
1990-91	Rs.	384.44,205.19
1991-92	Rs.	193.27,060.74

(c) Number of Indian troupes sent abroad and the expenditure incurred them during the same period is as follows:

1989-90 (83 delegations)	Rs	1,53,74,445
1990-91 (63 delegations)	Rs	1,47,71,444
1991-92 (93 delegations)	Rs	1,67,38,807

Invitation to Pak Army Chief to visit India

3138. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pak Army Chief or the Pak Government have since responded to India's invitation extended to that