

VIETNAM TALKS IN PARIS

*104. SHRI Z. A. AHMAD :

SHRI M. V. BHADRAM :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the current talks in Paris between the United States and North Vietnam over the Vietnam issue have not made any progress ; and

(b) if so, whether the Government of India propose to take initiative in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) : (a) and (b) It is true that the Paris talks have so far not made any significant progress.

The United States Government, has recently announced stoppage of bombing of North Vietnam. Government of India hopes that the parties concerned will now engage themselves in substantive discussions for a peaceful settlement.

WORLD COMMUNIST SUMMIT

*105. SHRI JAIRAMDAS DAULATRAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of India have received any communication from the Secretariat of the proposed world Summit Conference of Communist Parties in Moscow, the official objective of which is reported to be "create active unity of Communist and workers' parties and all anti-imperialist forces" ; and

(b) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, whether Government have decided not to make any positive response to the communication in view of its declared policy of non-alignment ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI B. R. BHAGAT) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

REMOVAL OF INDIAN ARMY UNIFORMS INTO PAKISTAN

106. SHRI J. S. THAK : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to a report in a section of the Press that about eighty thousand old Indian Army uniforms were surreptitiously removed into the Pakistan territory from North Bengal ; and

(b) if so, whether this fact will indirectly result in subsequent infiltration of Pakistani soldiers in Indian uniforms, into Indian territory ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH) : (a) Government have seen the press report, but have no information on the reported smuggling of uniforms ;

(b) Does not arise.

GHAFFAR KHAN'S VISIT TO INDIA

*107. SHRI BRAHMANANDA PANDA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether any date has been tentatively fixed for the visit of Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan to India ; and

(b) whether any programme has been drawn for his visit to different States in the country, if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) and (b) No, Sir

पाकिस्तान द्वारा कश्मीर में भारतीय सीमा के निकट सड़क का निर्माण

*108. श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव : क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पाकिस्तान ने कश्मीर में भारतीय सीमा के निकट गिलगित को भीतरी पाकिस्तान से जोड़ने वाली 155 मील लम्बी सब प्रकार के मौसम में काम आने योग्य सड़क तैयार की है जो भारत की सुरक्षा के लिए खतरनाक है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस खतरे का सामन करने के लिए क्या कार्यवाही की ग है ?