Navy to the security of India, necessary measures will be taken to protect our interests

PRIME MINISTER'S NAME

786. SHRI D. L. SEN GUPTA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Calcutta Station of the All India Radio broadcast Prime Minister's name as Indira Nehru' in the Bengali News Bulletin at 1.00 P.M. on 1st May 1967; and
- (b) if so, whether it was done with the consent and approval of the Prime Minister?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

PAK. MICRO-WAVE TELECOMMUNICA-TION CHANNELS THROUGH NEPAL

787. SHRI N. R. MUNISWAMY: Will the Minister Of EXTERNAL AF FAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Nepalese Government have permitted Pakistan to establish micro-wave telecommunication channels linking East Pakistan with West Pakistan; and
- (b) if so, whether such facility will put India in a disadvantageous position in the event of any future hostilities between India and Pakistan?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI M. C CHAGLA): (a) According to information available to Government, a Pakistani proposal to establish Microwave stations in Nepal designed to provide a telecommunication link between West and East Pakistan is under consideration of His Majesty's Government of Nepal.

(b) As the question involves relations between two sovereign Governments one of whom is a friendly neighbour, Government of India wish to make no comment on this issue. However, the security aspects of any such development are constantly under examination by the Government of India.

to Questions

INDIAN DIPLOMAT IN DRUG RACKET

788. SHRI SURJIT SINGH ATWAL: SHRI V. V. RAMASWAMY: SHRI R. P. KHAITAN:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's atten tion has been drawn to a report published in the 'Hindustan Times' of May 22, 1967, alleging that a senior Indian diplomat was involved in a drug racket in London; and
- (b) if so, whether Government have made any enquiry in the matter and what are the detalis thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRi M. C CHAGLA): (a) The Ministry of External Affairs is aware of the press report appearing in the 'Hindustan Times' of 22nd May 1967 and have made enquiries in the matter.

(b) Our enquiries have so far revealed that no diplomat, senior or junior, or any other official of the Indian High Commission, London is involved in a drug racket. Indian High Commission in London has already taken up with the British Government the matter of publication of incorrect reports in the papers.

ADVERTISEMENTS OVER ALL INDIA RADIO

789. SHRI SURJIT SINGH ATWAL: SHRI V. V. RAMASWAMY:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the time by when the decision regarding broadcasting advertisements over the All India Radio