

The joint communique issued at the end of the meeting stressed the need for more active and fruitful cooperation among participating countries in "the economic, technical, cultural, social and information fields". The Communique also referred to political questions like those of Vietnam and Korea generally supporting the stand taken by the Republic of Vietnam and the Republic of Korea.

#### ARMS AID TO INDIA

454/SHRI ABDUL GHANI: "SHRI  
M. S. OBEROI.

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the countries which have relaxed restrictions regarding the supply of arms and ammunitions to India after the Tashkent Declaration; and

(b) the names of the countries which have not lifted embargo on defence supplies to India?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI Y. B. CHAVAN) : (a) and (b) After the Tashkent Declaration, U.K. and France have lifted completely the restrictions on supply of arms and ammunition to India and West Germany and Switzerland have lifted them partly. U.S.A. has relaxed the embargo in respect of non-lethal defence supplies.

#### MAURITIUS DEMAND FOR INDEPENDENCE

455. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have recently received any communication from Dr. Ramgoolam, the Prime Minister of Mauritius, addressed to our Prime Minister and also to all the Commonwealth Prime Ministers appealing for their understanding and help towards his country's demand for independence;

(b) if so, whether any reply has been sent to him; and

(c) whether it is proposed to raise this question at the next ensuing Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Government of India would, if necessary, be prepared, to support the legitimate demands put forward by Dr. Ramgoolam and others in connection with the Independence of Mauritius, at any International and Commonwealth forum.

#### INDIA'S ROLE IN SOUTH-EAST ASIA

456. SHRI N. SRI RAMA REDDY : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister of Singapore has recently made a suggestion to the Government of India with regard to India's role in South-East Asia in the interests of stability and peace in the region; and

(b) if so, what are Government's reactions thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SARDAR SWARAN SINGH) : (a) The Government of India have not received any suggestion from the Prime Minister of Singapore with regard to India's role in South-East Asia in the interests of stability and peace in the region

(b) Does not arise.

#### नागालैण्ड में भूमि की खरीद

457. श्री विमलकुमार मन्नालालजी  
चौरीड़िया : क्या वैदेशिक कार्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि नागालैण्ड में रहने वाले भारतीय नागरिकों को छोड़कर अन्य भारतीय नागरिकों को नागालैण्ड में भूमि खरीदने की अनुमति नहीं दी जाती; और

(ख) यदि हाँ, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?