

(c) There is no proposal at this stage to extend the above conditions for travel to Neal by road across the land border.

Signing of NPT

*434. SHRI KA. RA. SUBBIAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that only four nations—Cuba, Israel, Pakistan and India have not signed Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty (NPT);

(b) if so, whether it will have any negative effect on India;

(c) what is the outcome of the month-long NPT Review Conference; and

(d) whether UN Security Council or the NPT Conference exerted pressure on India to become a member of the NPT?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANTSINGH) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) This is India's considered and consistent position.

(c) The 6th Review Conference of the NPT held in New York from 24th April—20th May concluded with the adoption of a final document. Although the document has a reference to an "unequivocal undertaking" on nuclear disarmament and some practical steps to further nuclear disarmament under Article VI of the treaty, there is, however, no substantive change in the position of the NPT nuclear weapon States on nuclear disarmament.

(d) The final document of the NPT Review Conference recalls UN Security Council resolution 1172 and calls on India to undertake the measures set out in that resolution and to accede to the NPT as a non-nuclear weapon State. India has rejected UN Security Council resolution 1172 and maintains that the NPT Community needs to come to terms with the reality that India is a nuclear weapon State.

US Panel for more curbs on Pak Terrorism

*435. SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Terrorism: US Panel for more curbs on Pak", which appeared in the Indian Express dated 5th June, 2000;