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CHINESE COMMUNISTS' CONSPIRACY TO ASSASSINATE MAHARAJA OF SIKKIM

- 101. SHRI A. B. VAJPAYEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to an interview given by the Maharaja of Sikkim to the effect that the Chinese Communists were conspiring to assassinate him; and
- (b) if so, whether any security measures have been taken by the Government of India to avert any untoward incident?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI GULZARI LAL NANDA): (a) The Government of India has seen the press report about an interview given by the Maharaja of Sikkim to a correspondent of the Hindustan Samachar when the Maharaja was reported to have referred to a Chinese plot to take his life. On the 15th May, the Sikkim Darbar formally contradicted

this press report and said that no such interview had been given by the Maharaja.

(b) Does not arise.

BIOGRAPHY OF SHRI KRISHNA MENON WRITTEN BY MR. T. J. S. GEORGE

- 102. Shri A. D. MANI: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to extracts reproduced in Indian papers, of a biography of Shri Krishna Menon by Mr. T. J. S. George, entitled 'The End of the Road';
- (b) whether a reference has been made in the book that Shri Krishna Menon suggested a formula to lease to China, Aksai Chin in return for a narrow strip of Chinese territory projecting into India between Sikkim and Bhutan;
- (c) whether the Prime Minister agreed to place the formula before the Prime Minister of China; and
- (d) what are the details of the formula?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI GULZARI LAL NANDA): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) On page 255 of the book entitled "Krishna Menon" written by T. J. S. George, under the caption entitled "The End of the Road", the author conveys the impression that Shri Krishna Menon suggested a formula to lease to China, Aksai Chin in return for a narrow strip of Chinese territory between Sikkim and Bhutan.
- (c) Government have no knowledge of any such formula having been suggested. There is, therefore, no question of our Prime Minister having agreed to place this formula before the Prime Minister of China.
 - (d) Does not arise.
- 103. [Transferred to the 4th June, 1964].