

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

SHRI B. K. NEHRU'S STATEMENT IN BOMBAY

*469. SHRI BHUPESH GUPTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a statement made by Shri B. K. Nehru, the Indian Ambassador to the United States of America, in Bombay and reported in the "Patriot" of January 20, 1964 in which he is reported to have stated that "Indian socialism and American capitalism are not very far" and that the difference between the American way of life and our system is one of word only; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI N. MENON):

(a) We have seen the reports published in the Press.

(b) The Ambassador has conveyed his personal impressions. He was not indulging in any ideological discussion as such, but pointing out that the objectives of the U.S. Government were also towards removing inequalities of wealth, providing food, clothing, and shelter to all which are amongst our objectives also.

WALK-OUT BY CHINESE ENVOY FROM REPUBLIC DAY PARADE

*471. SHRI SITARAM JAIPURIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(b) whether it is a fact that the Chinese Envoy and other officials of the Chinese Embassy in New Delhi staged a walk-out from the Republic Day Parade on the 26th January, 1964; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in this respect?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI N. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government had firmly rejected the verbal protest that was lodged by the Chinese Charge d' Affaires on the references to acts of courage by Indian Military Personnel, contained in the citations read on the occasion of the granting of Presidential Awards.

RECOGNITION OF CHINA BY FRANCE

*472. SHRI M. P. BHARGAVA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any communication from the Government of France stating that it had recognised the People's Republic of China;

(b) whether similar communications have been received from any other Government; and

(c) what is the total number of countries which have recognised People's Republic of China?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI N. MENON): (a) Before the Government of the Republic of France announced their recognition of the People's Republic of China, the French Embassy in New Delhi had informally informed the Ministry of External Affairs of the proposed recognition. No communication on the subject was received after the recognition.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) 47 countries have established diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of China.

RECOGNITION OF DIPLOMAS OF I.T.I., ORISSA

*475. SHRI DHANANJOY MOHANTY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state whether it is a fact that diplomas awarded by the Industrial Training Institutes of Orissa are not