

U.K. Government. Although the discussions were free and frank and were conducted in a friendly atmosphere, they proved inconclusive.

**ACCORD ON THE PREAMBLE TO THE DIS-  
ARMAMENT TREATY BETWEEN U.S.A. AND  
U.S.S.R.**

\*321. DIWAN CHAMAN LALL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state whether an accord on the Preamble to the Treaty for Disarmament has been reached between the United States of America and the Uni'on of Soviet Socialist Republics and if not, what are the differences that still exist?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON): The delegations to the Geneva Conference have approved a working draft preamble, prepared by the U.S.A. and U.S.S.R. representatives, which incorporates in parentheses two points proposed by the U.S.A. which have not been accepted by the U.S.S.R. The U.S.A. wished to include a paragraph declaring the goal to be "a free, secure and peaceful world of independent States adhering to common standard of international conduct" in which "change takes place in accordance with the principles of the United Nations Charter." They also wished at various points in the draft preamble to clarify that references to general and complete disarmament were to such disarmament "in a peaceful world". These points have been left for further consideration.

**ब्रिटेन द्वारा गोरखों की भर्ती**

\*३२२. श्री महाबोर दास : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि क्या २० अप्रैल १९६२ के "स्टेट्समैन" के पृष्ठ १० पर प्रकाशित "५० के ० टू रेक्यू फाइव हन्ड्रेड गुरखाज" शीर्षक वाले समाचार की ओर सरकार का ध्यान आकर्षित किया गया है;

और यदि किया गया है, तो क्या सरकार को इस सम्बन्ध में ब्रिटिश सरकार से कोई पत्र प्राप्त हुआ है ?

**RECRUITMENT OF GURKHAS BY BRITAIN**

\*322. SHRI MAHABIR DASS: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item entitled "U.K. to recruit 500 Gurkhas" published at page 10 of the "Statesman" dated the 20th April, 1962, and if so, whether Government have received any communication from the British Government in this regard?

**बंदशिक-कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री  
(श्रीमती लक्ष्मी मेनन) :** जी हाँ। इस विषय पर युनाइटेड किंगडम सरकार से सरकारी तौर पर कोई पत्र नहीं मिला है।

†THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI LAKSHMI MENON): Yes. No official communication from U.K. Government on this subject was received.]

**AFRICAN COMMON MARKET**

\*323. DR. A. SUBBA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Economic Council of the Casablanca countries has decided to establish an African Common Market; and

(b) if so, how it will affect Indian economy generally?

THE MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As the text of the agreeirent is not yet available, it is not possible to assess its impact on India's trade