powers are adopting. But I think, his recognition, the formal recognition by India of that Republic, would perhaps help the situation and help the process of solution of the German problem. When West Germany is recognized, why should not the other Germany be recognized since they exist as a matter of reality? I think that would help.

Then, Sir, about the Algerian question. I think the Prime Minister is thinking too much of De Gaulle as a Gual. I call him De Gaulle, he calls him a Gaul. Anyway I will use that expression. We cannot count on his goodness. You have seen what has happened in the elections. Now, about the elections the "New Statesman" wrote that the French had voted into power for the first -time since 1871 an anti-parliamentary assembly. As far as the Communist Party was concerned, the Communist required 3,88,000 votes on an average to be elected as against 19,000 by the De Gaullists. By getting over 20 per cent, of the total votes the Communist got less than 3 per cent, of the seats. That shows which way things are moving. I would like to draw the attention OI the Prime Minister to what \blacksquare has happened. I would ask him not to rely much on it. He has taken a courageous stand. That should be pursued. I think the provisional Algerian Government should be recognised. It is not unknown in international law that provisional governments are recognised. Why should you not recognize? That will morally strengthen their, position, morally isolate those people who are opposed to the settlement of the question of Algerian independence in a proper way. De Gaulle is not interested in it but is interested in exacting a complete surrender from the Algerian people which, of course, after all their heroic struggle and sacrifice, would never come. Therefore, I would not count much on De Gaulle.

Sir, I would like to ask the hon. Prime Minister whether the question of the *de jure* transfer of Pondicherry has been taken up with the De Gaulle administration. We were told that last month the *de jure* transfer of Pondicherry would take place. The matter is being delayed. That agreement was signed in 1954. That matter is being delayed, and I would like to know what is the attitude of De Gaulla on this matter and why there is this delay.

Then I should like to make certain suggestions for the Prime Minister to consider. As far as the United States military aid to Pakistan is concerned, we are of the view that we must strongly express our opinion, and this must be expressed not only at the political level but also at the diplomatic level. We think that we are within our right to declare that the Union of India considers the continuance of arms supply to Pakistan as an unfriendly act towards India. It is necessary to do so in order to isolate people who carry on such kind of activities like supply of arms. It strengthens our position in the comity of nations. It will also have a good impact on the United States itself, and it will also assure the people of Pakistan who stand for friendship and peace with India. Therefore, I think I that it is necessary.' Sir, it is very ' good that-Mr. Chagla focussed attention on the United States arms aid to Pakistan, and he has done a good job of it. But I did not quite appreciate as to why he should have pressed so much for economic aid. The more we talk about economic aid from the United States, the more we weaken our case against the military aid that is coming for Pakistan. I think, Sir, we are not weak as to be so helpless that every time we speak to them, we should stretch out our hands to them for some dollars. Is that necessary? I cannot quite appreciate that. It compromises our position in so far as our stand against the U.S. arms aid to Pakistan goes. Therefore, it is also necessary to say that. Mr. Chagla said that Pakistan stands in the way of good relationship between India and the United States. I say that it is the United States which stands in the way

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[Shri Bhupesh Gupta.] of good relationship between India and 1 Pakistan. That is how the question should be posed. In this connection I should like to say that the matter should be raised in the U.N. more and more. We should find suitable opportunities to raise our voice against the U.S. arms supply to Pakistan.

Sir, Afro-Asian solidarity should be strengthened. It has been demonstrated before the world that Afro-Asian countries once united can generate not only a great moral but material force. It is necessary for the Prime Minister to take greater steps in bringing about the solidarity of the Afro-Asian countries. That is one point. At the same time co-operation with the socialist countries should also be strengthened. There must be cooperation in every field. Our foreign trade must correspond with our foreign policy. If we are so much tied to the Western countries in matters of trade, it becomes a kind of obstacle. That is also a very important point. It does not fall within the purview of the External Affairs Ministry. But in order to strengthen the foreign policy of our country we should also see that our trade policy is somewhat changed in other directions.

Sir, in matters of military weapons, I am not a militarist, neither is the Prime Minister. But good arms are being given, very modern weapons are being sent to Pakistan. British weapons are not much good compared to the American weapons. We are dependent only on.. British weapons. It is for the Prime Minister to consider this question, whether we should put up with an inferiority in arms as compared to Pakistan. I am not suggesting that there should be an arms race, but then, if necessary, we have to. import arms from other countries also in order to maintain ourselves in readiness to meet any kind of aggression that may be provoked by the | U.S.A. or other countries. Our i Defence industries and heavy indus- i tries should be strengthened. What i is more, in the Army we must incul-

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cate in them a spirit of democracy, a love of democratic institutions, and we must tell them the sacred cause for which we stand. In the Army you find very often American and similar 'other literature being circulated. You should put an end to that. The spirit of democracy should be transmitted and inculcated in the Army.

In this connection I regret to draw the Prime Minister's attention to a circular which has been issued by the Home Ministry, in which Cabinet Ministers and Deputy Ministers have been asked not to associate themselves with any kind of society like the All India People's Council, Indo-Soviet Cultural Society, India-China friendship Association, All India Progressive Writers Association, All India Association for Democratic Lawyers, etc. I do not know why. There must be some common forums. These are organisations where all can mix together in spite of their political differences. Why should there be such a circular? Incidentally in the list the Committee for Cultural Freedom is not mentioned, Indo-American Society is not mentioned, and Free enterprise is not mentioned. I am. saying that such circulars should not be issued and no names should not be mentioned. You must follow one principle. As far as we are concerned, we think, Sir, if there is a common organisation where Congressmen, Communists, P.S.P. people and others can work for the advancement of the cause of peace, for Afro-Asian solidarity and for friendship with China and other countries, why should there be embarrassment if Ministers join it? Who is embarrassed? I do not think the Prime Minister should be embarrassed because somebody is joining a body which is called 'The Friendship Society with China'. I am not embarrassed. In these matters, we want to work together. In our political parties, we cannot work to-1 gether Separate parties of all kinds I exist. There should be a common I forum for this. Therefore, I say this is not good. This demoralises the ; people.