

entitled, "The CIA and the Cult of Intelligence". Government have not yet examined the book itself.

It would be recalled that the office of the Asia Foundation at Delhi was wound up in 1968 at the instance of the Government of India.

Embargo on export of Nuclear Material by big countries

3036. SHRI P. A. SAMINATHAN:
SHRI P. M. MEHTA:

Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recent decision of big countries to put an embargo on the export of nuclear material is directed against India; and

(b) the reaction of Government and its likely impact on our programme and policy of tests for peaceful purposes?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF ELECTRONICS AND MINISTER OF SPACE (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI):

(a) and (b). Some countries including the U.K., U.S.S.R. and U.S.A. have informed the International Atomic Energy Agency that they will not supply certain equipments, components and materials to countries which have not signed the Non-Proliferation Treaty unless the concerned plants and facilities are subjected to the Agency's safeguards. This aspect is constantly reviewed in ensuring further development of our nuclear programme.

Alleged Supply of Under-Loaded Coal Wagons by C.M.A.

3037. SHRI H. N. MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Coal Mines Authority has been accused by a number

of bulk consumers of sending under-loaded coal wagons during the last two to three months;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) steps taken against the officials who are incharge of this and how much compensation C.M.A. has given to the consumers on account of this?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) to (c). Information is being collected.

Working of Nationalised Coal Mines

3038. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether as many as 359 of the 925 nationalised coal mines are not being worked at all by the State-owned undertakings; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof and how far it has added to the fall in coal production for 1974-75?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) All the coal mines which were working at the time of take-over, continue to function. There was a number of coal mines which had been lying closed even before the take-over. The Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. have recommissioned 38 coking coal mines out of 42 closed mines and all the 31 closed non-coking coal mines. The Coal Mines Authority Ltd. have re-opened 25 closed non-coking coal mines. Efforts are in progress to reopen the other closed mines wherever the mining conditions and coal reserves permit.

(b) There has been no fall in production in 1974-75.