

operation has been examined by Government; and

(b) if so, the conclusions arrived at ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI) (a) and (b). The Administrative Reforms Commission has not submitted any report on Community Development and Cooperation. However, its report on the machinery of the Government of India and its procedures of work contains a recommendation that there should be only one small, combined Department of Community Development and Cooperation, instead of two separate Departments as at present. The report is under examination.

#### Expansion in Cabinet Secretariat

271. SHRI M. SUDARSANAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Cabinet Secretariat has been expanded or strengthened with a view to maintaining a better liaison between the Centre and the States on important matters; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the extent of additional cost involved ?

THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### Supply of American Tanks to Pakistan by Turkey

272. SHRI M. SUDARSANAM:  
SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO:  
SHRI VASUDEVAN NAIR:

SHRI C. JANARDHANAN:  
SHRI ISHAQ SAMBHALI:  
SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA:  
SHRI M. L. SONDHI:  
SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA:  
SHRI K. LAKKAPPA:  
SHRI SHRI CHAND GOYAL:  
SHRI A. SREEDHARAN:  
SHRI PRAKASH VIR SHASTRI:  
SHRIMATI ILA  
PALCHOUDHURI:  
SHRI NARENDRA SINGH  
MAHIDA:  
SHRI P. M. SAYEED:  
SHRI RAM SWARUP  
VIDYARTHI:  
SHRI NARAIN SWARUP  
SHARMA:  
SHRI OM PRAKASH TYAGI:  
SHRI B. K. DASCHOWDHURY:  
SHRI R. BARUA:  
SHRI CHENGLRAYA NAIDU:  
SHRI P. C. ADICHAN:  
SHRI BHOLA NATH MASTER:  
SHRI ONKAR LAL BERWA:  
SHRI N. R. LASKAR:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Turkey has agreed or already given American Patton Tanks to Pakistan;

(b) whether the Government of India had protested to Turkey in this regard;

(c) if so, the reaction of that Government; and

(d) if Turkey has over-ruled the protest, the steps taken by Government to take up the matter with the Government of U.S.A.?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH) (a) to (d). According to our information, no agreement has yet been signed by Turkey for supply of tanks to Pakistan. The views of the Government of India on the subject of arms supplied to Pakistan have been conveyed on more than one occasion to the Governments of Turkey and U.S.A., among other friendly countries.