

Shri Sharda Namdi:
 Shri Shri Gopal Saboo:
 Shri P. Parthasarathy:
 Shri A. Sreedharan:
 Shri Mangalathumadom:
 Shri P. Viewambharan:
 Shri Kameshwar Singh:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mr. Richard Nixon, U.S. Republican Leader had discussions with top leaders of the Government on the 20th April, 1967 during his South-East Asian tour;

(b) if so, whether he discussed the U.S. Arms supplies to India and Pakistan;

(c) whether Mr. Nixon's visit was in a private capacity or he acted as a representative of President Johnson; and

(d) the outcome of the talks held with him?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) Yes Sir, on April 19th and 21st, 1967.

(b) to (d). Mr. Richard M. Nixon was visiting various Asian countries in his private capacity to inform himself of current problems and views in these countries. He discussed various matters of current importance, including the question of U.S. arms supplies to India and Pakistan on which the U.S. Government had just announced its latest policy. The talks he held in India were of a general and informal nature and there is no question of their having any particular outcome.

Discussions with U.N. Secretary-General

*5. Shri Ramachandra Veerappa:
 Shri Ibrahim Sulaiman Sahi:
 Shri N. K. Senghi:
 Shri Bal Raj Madhok:
 Shri A. B. Vajpayee:

Shri Indrajit Gupta:
 Shri P. K. Das:
 Shri K. F. Singh Das:
 Shri D. N. Deb:
 Shri Sarwananath Dwivedy:
 Shri Hem Barua:
 Shri Omkar Singh:
 Shri Omkar Lal Barua:
 Shri S. M. Banerjee:
 Shri Madhu Limaya:
 Shri P. M. Sayeed:
 Shri D. N. Patodia:
 Shri M. Kumpure:
 Shri S. Supakar:
 Shri N. R. Lankar:
 Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta:
 Shri R. S. Vidyarthi:
 Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha:
 Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:
 Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
 Shri K. N. Tiwary:
 Shri N. S. Sharma:
 Shri Sharda Namdi:
 Shri Brij Bhushan Lal:
 Shri Yashpal Singh:
 Shri S. C. Samanta:
 Shri D. C. Sharma:
 Shri Hukam Chand Kachwal:
 Shri Bharat Singh:
 Shri Kam Singh Ajarwal:
 Shri Y. A. Prasad:
 Shri Swell:
 Shri K. Barua:
 Shri A. Sreedharan:
 Shri Mangalathumadom:
 Shri P. Viewambharan:
 Shri Kameshwar Singh:
 Shri Yashik:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether he had discussions with U. Thant, U.N. Secretary-General during his visit to India in April, 1967 on the proposed non-proliferation treaty, Vietnam, Tibet, Kashmir, Indo-Pak. relations and other matters; and

(b) if so, the outcome of these discussions?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) There was a general exchange of views on Viet-

nam and on the U.N. Development Programmes in India. The Government of India acquainted the U.N. Secretary-General with their views on the Treaty on non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and Indo-Pakistan relations. Tibet was not discussed.

(b) The discussions were in the nature of confidential exchange of views and were not intended to reach any concrete decisions or conclusions.

Vietnam

- *6. Shri B. S. Sharma:
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
Dr. Karnal Singh:
Shri Swail:
Shrimati Nitsep Kaur:
Shri Kikar Singh:
Shri Kotal Birna:
Shri Chintamani Panigrahi:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Shri K. N. Tiwary:
Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:
Shri Shiva Chandra Jha:
Shri Barrow:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently received any communication from other countries and/or the Secretary-General of United Nations in regard to solving the problem of 'Vietnam';

(b) if so, the nature of such communications received and the reaction of Government thereto;

(c) whether Government have on its own made any fresh proposals to other countries in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) to (d). Government of India is in touch with other Governments as also with the Secretary-General of the United Nations in its efforts to help to find a peaceful solution of the Vietnam problem. At this stage it would not be proper to disclose the nature and

content of these contacts which are confidential.

Military Equipment for Pakistan

- *7. Shri George Fernandes:
Shri Madhav Limaye:
Shri J. H. Patel:
Shri S. M. Joshi:
Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:
Shri K. N. Tiwary:
Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Kanwar Lal Gupta:
Shri R. S. Vidyarthi:
Shri Hukam Chand
Kachwal:
Shri Ram Singh Ayarwal:
Shri Bharat Singh:
Shri Ram Kishan Gupta:
Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:
Shri Atam Das:
Shri S. Supakar:
Shri N. R. Lankar:
Shri Raghbir Singh Shastri:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
Shri Y. A. Prasad:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Pakistan has secured tanks and aircrafts from China, West Germany, Canada, Iran and from other countries apart from the United States; and

(b) whether Government have sent formal protests to these countries against giving military assistance to Pakistan?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) The Government of India have definite information about sizeable supplies of tanks and aircrafts by China to Pakistan. Last year the Government of Iran had sent 80 odd F-86 Sabre Jets to Pakistan and had assured us that the aircrafts sent to Pakistan were there only for repair, servicing and modifications and will return to Iran. According to our information Canada and West Germany have not sold any