

Training to Foreign Pilots

*513. { Shri Bishwanath Roy:
 Shri Samnani:
 Shrimati Savitri Nigam:
 Shri Brajeshwar Prasad:
 Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
 Shri Kolla Venkaiah:
 Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some foreign Governments have requested the Government of India for training their men in aviation in India; and

(b) if so, the details of the training facilities provided by the Government of India in the matter?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Since 1961 over 1,800 Foreign personnel have been trained at various I.A.F. institutions. At present there are 22 such officers/airmen under training from four countries.

Peace-keeping Force of UNO

*512. **Shri Maheswar Naik:** Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state whether the proposal to maintain a peace-keeping force for the U.N. has taken any concrete shape?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): No progress has been made on the question of the establishment of a United Nations peace keeping force due to lack of agreement among the major powers.

A Special Committee of thirtythree members which has recently been established by the UN General Assembly to undertake a comprehensive review of all aspects of peace-keeping operations is due to submit its report by the 15th June 1965.

Global Satellite System

*513. { Shri Ravindra Varma:
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 Shri Shiv Charan Mathur:
 Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
 Shri Baswant:

Will the Minister of Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India has joined the International Consortium for setting up a global system of telecommunication based on satellites; and

(b) if so, what are the benefits and obligations of membership in the consortium?

The Deputy Minister in the Department of Communications (Shri Bhagavati): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The ownership of the Communications Satellite System will vest in the signatory Governments in proportion to their contribution to the total cost of the System. By participating in the Communications Satellite System, India will be able to participate in the design, development, construction etc. of the space segment and it will also facilitate the establishment of a Ground Station for the utilization of this most modern and efficient means of international communications.

Prime Minister's Statement Regarding Jordan Waters

*514. **Shri Alvares:** Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister stated during a speech at the seminar on 'The Arab World and India' that "We have full Sympathy for the Arab countries' sentiments on the question of Jordan Waters"; and

(b) whether Government are aware that the dispute over the Jordan Waters is an attempt to starve out Israel, and is not a mere dispute over the use of the waters as such?