(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि उन्होंने यह भी कहा कि उनकी भारतीय भाषांची के समाचार पत्नों की जरूरत नहीं है ?

वैदेशिक-कार्यं मन्त्रालय में राज्य मन्त्री (ओमती लक्ष्मी मेनन) : (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) जी नहीं।

Firing by Pakistanis

*399. { Shri Kameshwar Tantia: Shri Vishwa Nath Pandey: Shri Bal Krishna Singh: Shri Yamuna Prasad Mandal:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistani intruders fired on Indian border patrol on the cease-fire line eight miles west of Rajouri on the 22nd November, 1964;

(b) if so, the number of persons killed and the number of them who escaped;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Indian troops have reported to the U.N. Observers 11 cases of cease-fire violations during the past three days, *i.e.*, 18th to 20th November, 1964;

(d) if so, the steps taken by the U.N. Observers thereon; and

(e) whether any protest was lodged with the Pakistan Government?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Defence (Dr. D. S. Raju): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No intruder was killed; all of them escaped over the cease-fire line.

(c) Seven cases of cease-fire violations by Pakistan during this period, were lodged with the U.N. Military Observers. Six other cases of ineffective firing by them were brought to the notice of U.N. Observers.

(d) U.N. Observers are investigating these cases. When the investigations are complete, the U.N. Chief

Military Observer will communicate his decisions direct to the Pakistan Army

(e) No, Sir.

Accreditation of Language Newspapers

***400. Shri Yashpal Singh:** Will the Minister of Information and Broad-casting be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that small language papers having a circulation of over 5,000 are not allowed accreditation facilities at the Headquarters of the Government of India;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to remove this hardship?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Shrimati Indira Gandhi): (a) to (c) No, Sir Circulation is not the only factor taken into consideration in granting accredition to newspapers. The other factors are:

- (i) Type of the newspaper;
- (ii) Periodicity and regularity of publication, preference being given to dailies; and
- (iii) Influence of the newspaper.

The Rules for Accreditation are interpreted liberally in the case of Indian languages and small newspapers which do not command a large circulation.

Area between Kohima and International Boundary

*401. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether the area between Kohima and the international boundary has been declared as disturbed area;

(b) if so, the circumstances leading to the declaration;

(c) whether help of any kind was sought by Nagaland; and

(d) if so, the action taken in the matter?