

Shri Brij Bhushan Lal:  
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 Shri D. C. Sharma:  
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 Shri Ram Singh Ayarwal:  
 Shri Swell:  
 Shri R. D. Reddy:  
 Shri P. Parthasarthy:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that sixteen F-5 Supersonic Fighter Planes of Iranian Air Force are at present in Pakistan;

(b) if so, whether these are in lieu of the 80 F-86 fighter planes that Iran gave to Pakistan for overhauling and which had to be transferred to Iran, after a lot of pressure was put by India on the countries that gave these planes to Iran;

(c) whether Government are alert and vigilant about this collusion of some CENTO countries with Pakistan; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to foil this growing menace coming from Pakistan with the active help and co-operation of Iran?

The Minister of External Affairs (Shri M. C. Chagla): (a) and (b). According to our information, fifteen F-5 and two C-130 aircraft of the Iranian Air Force had proceeded to Pakistan for taking part in the National Day Celebrations on 23rd March, 1967. These aircraft went back to Iran in the month of April. These planes were in addition to the F-86 Fighter Planes which had gone earlier from Iran to Pakistan, and were later stated to have gone back to Iran.

(c) and (d). The Government are constantly alert and vigilant about Pakistan's attempt to procure arms from some Cento countries. Whenever necessary and expedient, the matter is taken up through diplomatic chan-

nels with the Governments concerned. The Government of India are fully alive to the situation created by Pakistani arms build-up and are taking appropriate steps for safeguarding their security.

'The Untold Story' by Lt. General Kaul

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 Shri S. M. Banerjee:  
 Shri Ram Sewak Yadav:  
 Shri M. R. Krishna:  
 Shrimati Tarkeshwari Sinha:  
 Shri Maharaj Singh Bharati:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made by the Government in investigating into the statements made by Lt. General Kaul in his book "The Untold Story";

(b) when the investigations are likely to be over; and

(c) whether Govt. propose to lay a copy of the report on the outcome of the investigations on the Table of the House?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Swaran Singh): (a) to (c). The examination of the book is nearing completion and I shall apprise the House of the result as soon as Government's decision is reached on the result of such examination.