Raid by Pakistanis on J. & K. Border (Kotmehra Village)

Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri D. D. Puri;
Shri P. R. Chakraverti:
*132. Shri Narasimha Reddy:
Shri Himmatsinhji:
Shri P. K. Ghosh:
Shri Sham Lal Saraf:

Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that twenty armed Pakistanis raided Kotmehra village in the Chhamb area in Jammu and Kashmir State on the 22nd December, 1963;
- (b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto and the action taken in the matter; and
 - (c) whether people of the border areas in Jammu and Kashmir have demanded rifles for the security of their life and property?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. On the night of December 21|22, 1963, about fourteen Pakistanis from across the international border between Jammu and West Pakistan, intruded into village Kotmehra, near Police Station Khaur in Chhamb area, with the intention of looting a shop. The intruders had an encounter with the border police but escaped after leaving behind the stolen articles. A case has been registered at the Police Station Khaur.

(c) No such representation by the people on the border, has been received recently. (Earlier Government of Jammu and Kashmir had supplied arms to people living on the border for their security).

Submarines for Indian Navy

∫ Shri N. R. Laskar; Shri Ramachandra Ulaka: Shri Subodh Hansda; *133. √ Shri P. Kunhan; Shri J. B. S. Bist: Shri P. C. Borooah: Shri D. C. Sharma:

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government propose to acquire submarines for the Navy; and
- (b) if so, whether any decisions have been arrived at and if so, the nature thereof?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan): (a) and (b). A final decision regarding this has not yet been taken.

Armaments from abroad

Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath;
Shri Yashpal Singh;
Shri Sarjoo Pandey;
Shri Onkar Lal Berwa:
*134.
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Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri D. C. Sharma:
Shri P. C. Borooah;
Shri Mohan Swarup;
Shri P. R. Chakraverti;
Shrimati Savitri Nigam;

Will the Minister of Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any firm agreements or contracts have been made with friendly countries for the supply of armaments and equipment and for necessary training in connection with the strengthening and modernisation or our Army, Navy and Air Force; and
 - (b) if so, the broad outlines thereof?

The Minister of Defence (Shri Y. B. Chavan): (a) and (b). A Statement is laid on the Table of the House [Placed in Library. See No. LT-2299/64].

Settlement of border disputes

Shri Bishanchander
Seth:
Shri B, P. Yadava:
Shri Dhaon:
Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:
*135. Shri Bibhuti Mishra: