GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3705
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2000
EXTRADITION OF MILITANTS
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA;RASHID ALVI;UTTAMRAO NATHUJI DHIKALE

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some British Police Officers visited India recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether they wanted to know the Indian Government's legal stand in case any of the persons released by Indian Government in connection with IC 814 Plane Hijack is arrested by British Government and extradited to India; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

- (a) & b) Two British Officers, from the Metropolitan Police Service of the New Scotland Yard, visited India from 4-11 July 2000. They held discussions with the concerned Indian officials from the Central Bureau of Investigation and Delhi Police.
- (c) & (d) Yes, Sir. Various matters, including the legal aspects of events related to the hijacking of flight IC 814, were discussed with the visiting UK officials.