

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3953
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PURCHASE OF MILITARY CARGO AIRCRAFT FROM US
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to sign an agreement of buying six military cargo aircrafts from the United States;
- (b) if so, the details of the contract made between the two countries; and
- (c) the time by which the aircrafts are likely to be purchased?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) A Letter of Request has been issued to the Government of United States in December, 2006 indicating the requirement of C-130J transport aircraft for the Air Force.

(b) & (c): No contract has been concluded for purchase of the aircraft.