GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether Pakistan is using US Aid to plan war against India as reported in the Times of India dated 06 September 2008;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to take the matter at appropriate level?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (d) Government is aware that the assistance given by US to Pakistan has enhanced the military capabilities of Pakistan.Government of India's position in this regard is well-known. We will take all necessary steps to safeguard our security.