GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1050 ANSWERED ON:03.03.2010 DUES AGAINST UNO Agarwal Shri Jai Prakash

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the amount due against UNO regarding deployment of Indian Army on its peace and other Missions;

(b) the reasons for delay in payment thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI S.M. KRISHNA)

a) As on February 19, 2010, approximately US \$62.92 million reimbursement is outstanding from the United Nations in connection with India's participation in UN peacekeeping operations of which US \$33.75 million is for troop and police costs and US \$29.17 million is for cost of equipment.

b) Shortage of funds with the UN, due to non-timely payment of budget contributions by member states, has caused delays in reimbursement.

c) Government has asked the UN to settle the outstanding amount.