

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Pakistan has urged USA not to grant concessions to India as it may destabilize regional balance;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SMT. PRENEET KAUR)

(a) to (c) Government has seen reports that Pakistan has opposed United States of America's endorsement of India's candidature for a permanent seat in the United Nations Security Council (UNSC). Pakistan's National Assembly adopted a resolution which, inter alia, states that USA's endorsement is a threat to peace, security, regional balance and stability in South Asia. A similar resolution was also adopted by the Pakistani Cabinet. It has been reported that Pakistan has conveyed its concerns in this regard to USA.

India believes that the United Nations (UN) especially the Security Council must reflect contemporary global realities. For this purpose the reform of the UN including the expansion of the Security Council in both permanent and non-permanent categories is essential. India holds the view that it has all the credentials to be a permanent member of an expanded Security Council. Many countries have endorsed this view. India remains fully engaged including through the G-4 (India, Brazil, Germany and Japan) to work for the reform of the UN including the expansion of the Security Council.