GOVERNMENT OF INDIA EXTERNAL AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and China have held any dialogue recently on the border issue; and
- (b) if so, the details of the discussions held and the decision taken therein;

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (DR. SHASHI THAROOR)

(a) & (b) The 13th Round of India-China Special Representatives Talks on the Boundary Question was held in New Delhi on 7-8 August, 2009. The two sides continued the discussions on exploring the framework for a final package settlement under the "Agreement on the Political Parameters and Guiding Principles for the Settlement of the India-China Boundary Question" signed in April 2005. Both sides also expressed satisfaction at the progress being made through this mechanism and reiterated that pending the settlement of the boundary issue, peace and tranquility should be maintained in our border areas.