Title: Need to protect and promote the interests of the Anglo-Indian community in the country - Laid.

SHRI CHARLES DIAS (NOMINATED): The Anglo-Indian community is a microscopic minority in India. They have a history of serving and sacrificing for their country far outnumbering their numerical strength. The post-independent wars witnessed the saga of extreme sacrifices of the members of the community for our country. In the field of teaching, nursing and empowering of women the Anglo-Indians have contributed a major share. But this community is facing a lot of problems in the present scenario. Most of them are living in rented houses. Also, they don't have proper employment. So they are unable to maintain their unique culture. The Anglo-Indian Community has a long pending demand for getting reservation in Central Government departments like Railways, Communications etc. But unfortunately this demand has not been materialized so far. It is necessary to make provisions for providing job reservations to Anglo Indian Communities in Central Services. Another important demand is to provide adequate land to the members of the community in selected towns at subsidized rates, so that they can stay together and protect their unique culture.

Considering all the above mentioned demands of Anglo Indian Community, I request the Central Government to establish an Anglo India desk under the Ministry of Minority affairs for protecting and promoting the interests of the community.