

in Vietnam on the one hand and secondly the fact that in Pakistan too their bases are being wound up and thirdly because of this: Mr. Katzenbach, the leader of the team, has written an article in the *American Reporter*; it seems that a new wind is blowing over the United States and they are looking forward to becoming friendly with China. This may be a great discomfiture for our Swatantra friends, I am sure. (*Interruptions*) He has even said in this article that the danger of Chinese threat is being exaggerated. All this, he has written in his article. It means that Americans are thinking along new lines. I want to know from Mr. Bhagat whether, after these three days of several hours of talks, he was able to get any impression or form any assessment that the United States wants us not to rely on so much of their aid because they are not so much interested in giving us aid as a bulwark against China because their own policy towards China is changing, and whether they had raised this question: either you get less aid from us because you are getting arms from Soviet Union, or you have to depend now on a sort of regional co-operation or regional pact with the countries of South-East Asia and in that case we, the United States, may consider supporting. What is the shift? We do not want any sudden shift to take place again as happened recently—you come here and say, 'We never foresaw' and all that. Something is brewing; otherwise, the Mission would never have come. Please tell us what is the new strategy that they are thinking of. We do not want to know your views. What have you known from them?

**SHRI B. R. BHAGAT:** It is true that this was the first of the series of talks with the United States, and it is also true that these talks were held at their initiative. What induced them to take this initiative, what was the motivation, I cannot predict precisely, but if he wants my assessment, I can certainly tell him that the

United States do attach importance to this country and in a changing world—it is true that the whole Asia is changing, that the world is changing—they are anxious to know our views on some of these important aspects. This is the assessment that I can give to the hon. Member. (*Interruptions*)

## PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

### ANNUAL PLAN, 1968-69

**THE PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY, MINISTER OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI-MATI INDIRA GANDHI):** I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Annual Plan, 1968-69. [*Placed in Library. See No. LT-1528/68.*]

### R. G. KAR MEDICAL COLLEGE AND HOSPITAL (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1968.

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH, FAMILY PLANNING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI B. S. MURTHY):** On behalf of Shri Satya Narayan Sinha, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the R. G. Kar Medical College and Hospital (Amendment) Act, 1968 (President's Act No. 16 of 1968) published in Gazette of India dated the 9th May, 1968, under sub-section (3) of section 3 of the West Bengal State Legislature (Delegation of Powers) Act, 1968. [*Placed in Library. See No. LT-1529/68.*]

**श्री यशपाल सिंह (देहरादून) :** मैंने श्रीमान् से कल पत्र लिख कर भी पूछा था, आप की तरफ से कोई मुझे लेटर नहीं मिला, कोई जवाब नहीं मिला। श्रीमान्, इतनी बड़ी बेकायदगी हो गई . . .

**MR. SPEAKER:** He will please sit down. Secretary.