

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी : अध्यक्ष जी, हम मिग 21 बना रहे हैं लेकिन दुनिया में मिग 23 भी है और हम उस का 1973-74 में निर्माण करने जा रहे हैं। क्या तब तक और भी कोई विकसित मिग मैदान में नहीं आ जायेगा ? और क्या मिग 21 पाकिस्तान ने फ्रांस से जो मिराज लिये हैं उनका सामना करने में समर्थ है ?

श्री बिद्याचरण शुक्ल : जी हा। उग्र क्षेत्र में इस तरह के हवाई जहाजों के बारे में और भी जो नई बातें होती हैं उनको हम लेकर जाच पड़ताल कर के, हम जो नये उत्पादन के कार्यक्रम बना रहे हैं, उस में सम्मिलित करने जाते हैं। मे माननीय सदस्य को आश्वासन देना चाहता हूं कि इस बारे में हम लोग बहुत सतर्क हैं, और हम यह नहीं चाहते कि हम जो हवाई जहाज बनायें वह ऐसा हो कि उनका आजकल के युद्ध में उपयोग न हो सके।

श्री बी० पी० सी० शीर्ष : मिग का कारखाना जो खोला गया है और जो निर्माण होगा क्या यह सत्य है कि उस में कुछ ऐसे पुर्जे हैं जो इस कारखाने में नहीं बन पायेंगे और बाहर से हम को मंगाने होंगे और इस के बगैर यह मिग का कारखाना बेकार रहेगा ?

श्री बिद्याचरण शुक्ल : मिग का कारखाना बहुत दिनों से स्थापित हो चुका है और बहुत से मिग हमारे कारखाने में बन चुके हैं। और यह बात भी ठीक है कि कुछ ऐसे कम्पोनेंट्स हर एक हवाई जहाज बनाने के जो कारखाने हैं उन में ऐसे रहते हैं जो उसी कारखाने में नहीं बनते, या तो उन को बाहर से मंगाना पड़ता है या दूसरे कारखाने में बनाने पड़ते हैं।

‘ जो भी आधुनिक हवाई जहाज बनाने के कारखाने हैं उन सब में यही हाल है, चाहे अमेरिका के हो, चाहे रूस के हों। बहुत से ऐसे कम्पोनेंट्स हैं जिन्हें अमेरिका वालों को बाहर से मंगाना पड़ता है हवाई जहाज बनाने के लिये। यह बात बिल्कुल सत्य है, माननीय

सदस्य चाहें तो पता लगा सकते हैं। हम लोग चाहते हैं कि ज्यादा से ज्यादा चीजें अपने ही देश में बनायें और जो बाहर से दूसरी चीजें मंगानी भी पड़नी हैं वह ऐसे देशों से मंगायें जिनकी मित्रता पर हम को विश्वास है।

Election of Secretary General of U. N. O.

*1503. SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether U Thant has made it clear that he will not seek re-election to the post of Secretary-General of the United Nations after his present term expires ;

(b) whether some candidates are already in the field for this post ; and

(c) whether India also wants to contest for the post ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPA : ‘No’ means that India is not contesting for the Secretary-Generalship of the United Nations. Since it is an important post and whoever will be holding the post will wield very big political influence in world matters, what is the policy of the Government in regard to this matter ? I want to know whether we have taken any diplomatic initiative in this matter.

SHRI SURENDRAPAL SINGH : This is a very important office to which there is a proposal to elect an incumbent. As regards India's decision, about our own candidature, I have said ‘no’ in the main reply. Consultations are going on between various Members on this matter and we are also being consulted ; we are in touch with a number of countries and a decision will be taken at the right time.

SHRI C. K. CHANDRAPPA : May I know whether the Government of India will try to take diplomatic initiative with the Afro-Asian countries and the Latin American countries to get elected a Secretary General who will be more or less to our liking ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SWARAN SINGH) : In

this matter a lot of informal consultations take place and when the election comes to the General Assembly, it is more or less a formal affair.

SHRI S. M. BANERJEE : We will support you. . . (Interruptions)

SHRI SWARAN SINGH : Your support will not help me much. In this matter there is a lot of consultation and the Security Council has also first to agree, which means that the permanent members have first to evolve a consensus. So, it is not just anybody being elected by a majority of votes.

SHRI K. LAKKAPPA : Some time back there was a consensus among several countries to confer this post of Secretary-General on our External Affairs Minister, Mr. Swaran Singh. What was the reaction on the Government to that ?

SHRI SWARAN SINGH : It is a little embarrassing for me to say anything, but I am not a candidate at all.

SHRI K. LAKKAPPA : His name was not proposed formally, but there was a consensus. What is the reaction of the Government of India to that ?

SHRI SWARAN SINGH : I have myself first to agree before there is anybody's reaction.

SHRI H. N. MUKERJEE : In view of the very important office of the Secretary General being now open to election, may I know if the Government has brought it before the world forum that the present incumbent, by his calculated connivance in the tragedy and horror perpetrated in Bangla Desh by the Pakistan Government, has put himself out of bounds ? India, I expect, is pulling her weight in this matter, just as India has given the first Jawaharlal Nehru Award for International Understanding to U Thant. May I know whether the Government of India are telling the world community about the default of this particular gentleman, and by that way trying to bring into the picture the perspective in which the election of the Secretary-General should take place ?

SHRI SWARAN SINGH : U Thant, Secretary-General, has already made a very

clear statement that he is not a candidate. So, there is no point in our trying to highlight that aspect which the hon. Member has mentioned. We may not agree with the assessment made by an international civil servant, but we should be very careful in adopting our attitude. International civil servants have got difficult duties to perform, and it may not perhaps be wise to make this type of statement.

Anti-Indian B. B. C. Broadcasts Re. Bangla Desh Refugees

*1505. **SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK :**
SHRI BIRENDER SINGH RAO :
SHRI N. SHIVAPPA :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the B. B. C. has been broadcasting anti-Indian programmes regarding refugees of Bangla Desh during the last three months ;

(b) if so, the particulars thereof ; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH) : (a) Broadly speaking, B. B. C. coverage of the problem of Bangla Desh refugees has not been anti-Indian.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

Visit of Foreign Parliamentary Delegations to India and Bangla Desh

*1508. **SHRI RAMSHEKHAR PRASAD SINGH :** Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of parliamentary delegations from various countries visited India and Bangla Desh to have a knowledge of the situation that had arisen out of the heavy influx of refugees from Bangla Desh ; and

(b) if so, how many delegations and from which countries and what was their impression ?