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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 1174 on the 17th July, 1967 and

- (a) whether any decision regarding the reorganisation of the All India Radio into a Corporation has since been taken; and
 - (b) if so, the main features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. K. SHAH): (a) Regret; it could not be expedited. No decision so far has been taken.

(b) Does not arise.

NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY

*****3. SHRI HEM RAI: SHRI INDRAUT GUPTA: SHRI V. KRISHNAMOORTHI: SHRI CHENGALRAYA NAIDU: SHRI MADHU LIMAYE: SHRI KANWAR LAL GUPTA:

the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the broad details of the draft treaty on Nuclear non-proliferation presented by the big two countries and whether it has been examined by Government;
- (b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto; and
- (c) whether Government have suggested any modifications to it and, if so, what?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SURENDRA PAL SINGH): (a) A draft Treaty on non-proliferation of nuclear weapons was presented to the Eighteen-Nation Disarmament Committee in Geneva on the 24th August 1967, by the USA and the USSR. A copy of the draft Treaty is laid on the Table, [Placed in Library see No. LT-1498/671. Article III has been left blank, as the two sponsors have not vet reached agreement on the formulation of a provision for safeguards against the diversion of fissionable material for nuclear weapons production.

- (b) The preliminary reactions of Government of India are that the draft Treaty does not fully conform to the principles set out in U.N. General Assembly Resolutions 2028 of the XX Session and 2153-A of the XXI Session. Some members of the Eighteen-Nation Disarmament Committee have proposed amendments to the draft Treaty and the sponsors are reported to be considering them. The sponsors are also reported to be discussing the formulation of an Article III as well as the question of security assurances for nonnuclear States.
- (c) No. Sir: no formal amendments have been introduced by India.

CHINESE ATTACKS ON NATHU LA AND CHO LA SHRI RAM CHARAN:

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SHRIMATI TARKESHWARI SINHA · SHRIY A PRASAD . SHRI MADHII TIMAYE : SHRI HEM BARUA · SHRI RAM SEWAK YADAV: SHRI MOHAN SWARUP: SHRI P. N. SOLANKI: SHRI YAMUNA PRASAD MANDAL . SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUN: SHRI CHARANITT RAI: SHRI PARTHASARATHY: SHRI N. K. SANGHI: SHRI SHIVA CHANDRA IHA: SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA: SHRI J. MOHAMED IMAM: SHRI SAMAR GUHA: SHRI SRINIBAS MISRA: SHRI ARIUN SINGH BHADORIA . SHRI P. K. DEO: SHRIMATI JYOTSNA CHAN-DA · SHRI S. KUNDU:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Chinese troops mounted a fierce attack with field artillery and heavy mortar on the Indian troops near Nathu La in September, 1967 and again at Cho La during October, 1967;
- (b) if so, the details of the incidents and the total loss of life and property on both sides; and
- (c) the steps taken by Government to meet the situation created by the Chinese troops concentration on the Sikkim and Tibet borders?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SWARAN SINGH): (a) and(b).

The Chinese troops which had started a process of minor intrusions on to the Sikkim side of the Tibet-Sikkim border from about the middle of August, and which had been dealt with firmly by Indian troops guarding the Sikkim border, on 11th September after an altercation with our troops who were strengthening a barbed wire fence to curb the Chinese intrusions, suddenly and without provocation, opened up small arms fire on our troops at Nathu

La. This was followed by artillery fire. Indian troops returned the Chinese fire. The firing continued from 11th to 14th Sentember at Nathu La.

At Cho La where the Chinese had been improving and strengthening their defences for some time, on 1st October questioned our occupation of a position which had always been in our control. A scuffle took place in which a Chinese soldier bayonetted an Indian soldier. In retaliation the Indian sentry bayonetted two Chinese soldiers. Subsequently the Chinese opened fire with MMGs, RCL guns and 60 mm and 82 mm mortars. The fire was returned by our troops. Mortar fire stopped at about 1515 hours and all firing ceased at 1615 hours.

Our losses in the incidents of firing at Nathu La and Cho La were 88 killed and 163 wounded. Besides, some damage was caused to our defensive positions and equipment. Though the exact casualties are not known, it is estimated that the Chinese suffered about 300 killed and wounded in the Nathu La firing and 40 in Cho La. The damage caused to their defensive position was also more considerable.

Our troops have dealt with the Chinese provocations in a calm and cool manner but when unprovoked firing was resorted to by the Chinese, they gave effective replies. At no time did the Indian troops lose control of any military post to the Chinese and but for the fact that they were treacherously attacked on both occasions, our casualties would not have been as many as have actually taken place.

(c) Government keep a close watch on developments across our borders having a bearing on our security, and these are taken note of in our defence plans.

पूर्वी पाकिस्तान में हिन्दू ग्रौर बौद्ध

*5. थी शिवकुमार शास्त्री :

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क्या **वैदेशिक-कार्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

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