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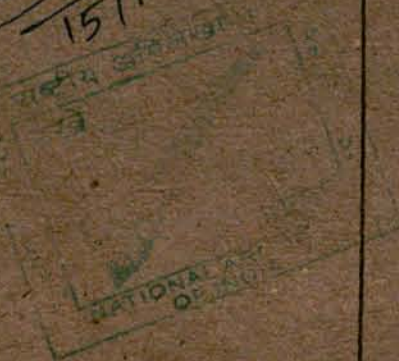
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SUBJECT: Starred/Unstarred Question Dy. No. _____
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The Ministry of External Affairs are requested kindly to state the facts regarding the above question (copy enclosed) as may be relevant to decide the admissibility of the question and also the extent of Government of India responsibility involved in the matter.

2. While furnishing the facts, it may please be stated whether the note has been shown to the Minister. In the absence of any indication to this effect, it will be assumed that it has been issued with the approval of the officer who has signed it. It may, be clarified that the plea of secrecy, public interest or national security may be taken only at the Minister's level.

3. In case the question substantially relates to some other Ministry, as per established practice, the Ministry who in their view is concerned with it may be requested to accept its transfer and convey their acceptance to Lok Sabha Secretariat. In no case, the question should be sent back to the Lok Sabha Secretariat. Until the acceptance is received in the Lok Sabha Secretariat, the question will continue to remain in the name of the Ministry to whom it is originally addressed and if in the meantime it is admitted, it will be admitted also against the Ministry originally addressed.

4. A reply is requested by 5-4-90.

5. It may also be specifically stated whether the Ministry have any objection to the information contained therein being conveyed to the Member.

for SENIOR EXAMINER OF QUESTIONS
Phone : 695 330

Ministry of External Affairs (Shri Atish Sinha, JS(Coord))
L. S. S. U. O. No. SQ/USQ-9197/12.4/90 dated 2-4-90.

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SECRET PAPERS RELATING TO NETAJI IN USSR

SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA:

Will the Minister of External Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report in the Hindustan Times of March 5, 1990 captioned "Secret Papers" on Netaji in USSR; and

(b) if so, ~~was~~ whether Government have taken up with Soviet Government to secure custody or to find the contents of the secret papers referred to in the said report relating to the life of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose; if so, the out come thereof?

No.F.4-1/90-Lib.
Government of India
Department of Culture

New Delhi - 110001.
Dated 29th March, 1990.

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4. This has the approval of Joint Secretary(T).

Senior Examiner of Questions
Lok Sabha Secretariat
Question Branch, Parliament Annexure,
New Delhi.

Sd/-
(S.P. Biswas)
Under Secretary

Copy to Ministry of External Affairs, East European Division, South Block, New Delhi with the request that they may accept the above cited Question and send acceptance to Lok Sabha Secretariat under intimation to this Department. Original L.S.S.U.O.No.USQ 2272/9.4/90-Q dated 26.3.90 alongwith its enclosures is also enclosed.

(S.P. Biswas)
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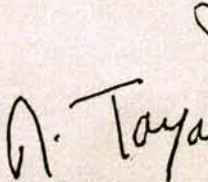
Subject: Starred Question Dy. No.9197 for 12th April 1990 regarding "secret papers relating to Netaji in USSR."

The undersigned is directed to refer to Lok Sabha Secretariat's U.O. Note No.SQ/9197/12.4/90-Q dated 2nd April 1990 and to state that the question pertains to National Archives which comes under the Ministry of Culture. The Ministry of Culture are already handling this subject in connection with Unstarred Question Dy. No.2272 for 9.4.1990 and the facts which they had given are enclosed.

2. The Ministry of External Affairs have no additional information on this subject. The transfer of Question Dy. No.2272 for 9.4.1990 has not been accepted by us since any initiative to procure this material from the Soviet Government would have to be taken by the National Archives which come under the jurisdiction of the Department of Culture.

3. Lok Sabha Secretariat may decide on the admissibility of this question and, if admitted, put it down in the name of the Department of Culture. A copy of this note is being endorsed to them.

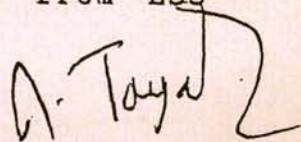
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(S.R.Tayal)
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Lok Sabha Secretariat (Question Branch) (Sr. Examiner
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ME. U.O. No. 20¹⁰~~08~~/JS(EE)/90 dated 4.4.1990

Copy to Shri S.P. Biswas, Under Secretary,
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9.4.1990 on the above subject is not being accepted
by MEA as the subject matter pertains to the Department
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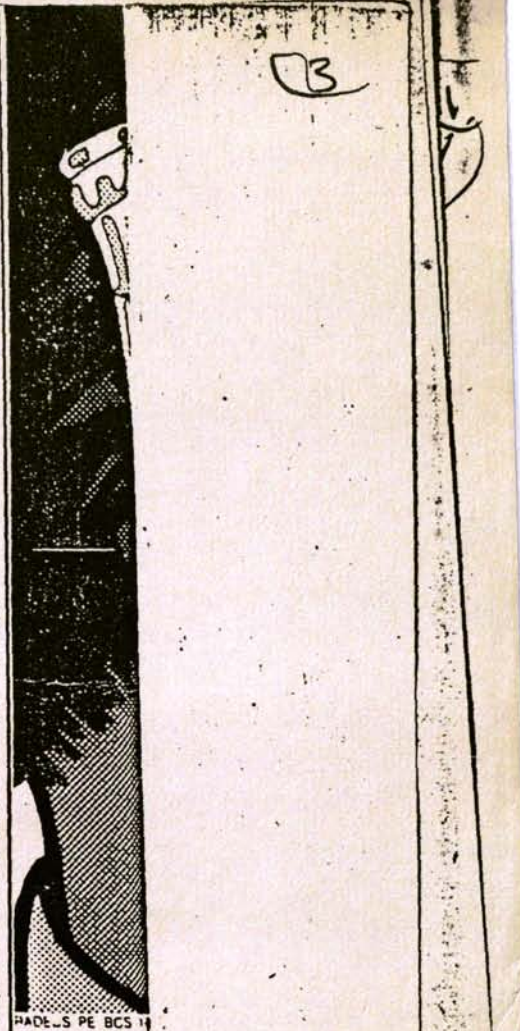
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:-Starred Question Dy.No.9197 for 12th April, 1990 regarding
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2. It will be appreciated if a line of confirmation is sent to this Department urgently.
3. This issues with the approval of Joint Secretary(T).

Sdf
(S.P.BISWAS)
Under Secretary

Senior Examiner of Questions,
Lok Sabha Secretariat,
(Question Branch),
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