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Copy 2 letters to
Prime Minister before the
Home Minister Law to

SUB:- Proposed Legislation about High Treason.
REF:- Letter No. 6054/56 B.N. from the Hon'ble
Shri Govind Vallabh Pant, Home Minister,
in reply to our letter of 11.4.56, suggesting
clauses, for incorporation in the
Constitution Act itself.

Dear Sir,

Having read about some special legislation proposed
for the Parliament for restraining and penalising activities
menacing our Country's sovereignty, Territory, etc. I would
like to say that I had the privilege of suggesting articles on
High TREASON, as far back as 1956, to the late esteemed Shri
PANTJI, as Home Minister, when I was in the Bombay Legislative
Council.

I am attaching (1) copies of these letters for your
ready reference; and (2) that NOTE with suggested ARTICLES as
amendment to Article 1 of the Constitution Act.

Let us hope this may be of some use in your work in
this matter. Ours is just a rough sketch which requires
suitable retouching by LAW MINISTRY Experts.

Kindly let me have the new proposed amendment.

I am, Yours truly,

1. (1) Draft for Amendment of Art. I.
of Constitution Act.
(2) Copy of letter from Home Minister No.
60154/56 B.N. of 13/14 April 1964.

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DRAFT OF AMENDMENT IN ARTICLE (1) OF THE
CONSTITUTION.

RE:- T R E A S O N.

Add in Article 1, new Article as under:-

- 1A. THE SUPREMACY of the Union for the Security, Sovereignty, Unity, Integrity and Authority of India shall be complete, in and over all Territories in India.
- 1B. The free sovereignty and Territory of India shall be inviolate and inviolable.
- 1C. Any expression or action likely to interfere with or to encroach upon or endanger the unity, integrity and the Sovereignty of Democratic Republic of India or of the Union's Supremacy and Authority will be liable as Sedition and punishable as a Crime against the Republic of India, with life imprisonment in a penal settlement that is penal servitude for life.
- 1D. Any expression or action or threat of action likely to endanger the Unity, Territory, Solidarity, Security and Sovereignty of India will be liable as HIGH TREASON to Union and the PEOPLE of India and shall be liable to punishment with death, confiscation of property and forfeiture of Citizenship.
- 1E. The Authority of the UNION as represented by the Parliament will be exercised by the PRESIDENT in consultation with the Council of Ministers of the Union and in the case of grave emergencies of any Threat to the Union, by the PRESIDENT until the existence of such THREAT to the Union; and the PRESIDENT shall also exercise all powers of Legislation during such emergencies and the President's directions, acts and advice shall be obeyed by the people and all authorities and public servants in every part of India.
- 1F. The President will appoint Special Tribunals of two. ex. Judges of High Courts, in each State for trials of crimes under this Article and provide special regulations of summary trials and procedures.

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Private Secretary to the
Minister for Home Affairs.

60 34/56 H.M.

New Delhi,
April 13/14 1956.

Dear Shri Munshi,

Pantji has received your letter of
April 11 about Internal Security and need
for Law of Treason and has asked me to thank
you for the same.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- (A.D. PANDE),
I.A.S.

Shri Ram Rai Munshi, M.L.C.,
P.O. Maninagar,
AHMEDABAD.

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P.O. Maninagar,
Ahmedabad,
April 11th 1956.

Subject: Internal Security
Need for Law of Treason.

Dear Shreeman Pantji,

May, I in this connection request you to recall to your mind my letters and NOTE, Re. the designs behind the recent disturbances about Bombay in November and January.

The Disruptors are just reshaping their tactics and hiding their time. The agitation is projected right upto the next elections, everywhere, as I have clearly stated in the Bombay Council debates about the States Reorganisation I shall send a typed copy of my speech soon.

Now, there is a feeling among responsible publicists and even officials that the preventive powers are entirely inadequate to stop the menace and even then proof as required in a court is simply impractical, though the fact may be there.

To add to the anxiety there are the troubles apprehended from Pakistan and an emergency as warned by our Prime Minister Shri Jawaharlalji Nehru.

There should be therefore distinct provision about TREASON, in the Constitution itself.

The attached NOTE has a practical observation Constitutional provision which I urge you to study personally.

Please give your earnest thought to it. Of course, there can be slight alterations as your Law Ministry experts may advise. A spare copy for the Law Ministry is also attached.

I was in Delhi between the 9th and 12th March when I wished to see you to give you personally this special NOTE and discuss the matter. I learnt that you were very busy. I am sending this NOTE today.

Yours, Very Sincerely,

Sd/- (RAJ RAI MUNSHI),
B.A. LL. B.M.L.C.

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