

ANNEXURE 'B'.

The Parliamentary Board of the Swatantra Party at its meeting in New Delhi on November 6 and 7, unanimously adopted the following resolutions :

- 1) Banning of the Communist Party: The Parliamentary Board of the Swatantra Party is of the opinion that, despite the hypocritical resolution of its National Council, the Communist Party of India must by its nature function as a Fifth Column of Imperialism in this country. It is therefore necessary that the Party should be banned under the Defence of India Ordinances and Regulations.
- 2) Joint Committees: In order to prevent party politics entering into the Defence effort, it is desirable that the President of the Indian Union and the Governors of the States should, as far as possible, preside over all joint committees concerning the Defence effort.
- 3) Defence Effort: Taking note of the appointment and the constitution of the National Defence Council, the Parliamentary Board is of the view that there is still the need for a similar body consisting of senior serving and retired Generals and others to be in continual touch with, advise and assist, the Defence Ministry.