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Morarji sees no hitch to 'alliance' govt.

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AHMEDABAD, Jan. 4.

Old Congress leader Morarji Desai sees no impediment to the smooth functioning of the Alliance Government at the Centre because of differences over the country's foreign policy, if the Old Congress-Jan Sangh-SSP front is voted to power.

He told newsmen at Ahmedabad airport before leaving for Bombay on Monday morning that this was not an immediate problem and would be thrashed out at an opportune moment.

However, he made it clear that his party would not agree to a confederation of India and Pakistan, as is suggested by the Swatantra. At the same time he denied any truth about the Sangh stand demanding war against Pakistan.

Mr. Desai said that the Sangh had never made such a demand and it was a canard spread by interested parties to malign the Sangh.

Mr. Desai clarified that the confederation proposal would not be feasible because of the deep-rooted suspicion prevailing in both countries.

Morarji moots 2 kinds of fronts

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AHMEDABAD, Jan. 4.

Old Congress leader Morarji Desai today mooted a broad electoral front which would include the SSP, the BKD and other parties side by side with a close link-up between the Swatantra Party, the Jan Sangh and his party.

Mr. Desai told newsmen at Ahmedabad airport that such a scheme would be a way out of the impasse created by Swatantra president M. R. Masani's objection to the SSP's insistence on adjustments only.

"We will welcome as many parties as possible to the broad adjustment formula to dislodge the New Congress."