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Interviewed on his return from Rajkot about a statement made on 1st March by the Secretary of the Bombay Branch of the Party stating that the Swatantra Party was supporting the candidature of Mr. George Fernandes in South Bombay, Mr. M. R. Masani, President of the Swatantra Party, stated that the correct position was that, in the light of all relevant considerations, the Party had desisted from participating or intervening as a Party in the South Bombay election campaign. The question of the Party supporting Mr. George Fernandes or any other candidate did not, therefore, arise. Individual members of the Party in South Bombay are, therefore, free to vote as they please.

4th March 1971

(M. R. Masani)

Copy for information to
Secretary
Bombay Branch
In response to information from the Branch
this was issued yesterday
Consulting Messrs Koppikar & Geraoker
as with their concurrence in order
to remove any misunderstanding. M. Masani
S.B.M.