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My dear Masani,
Bombay

I am sending herewith a press cutting from
"Jansatta" of Ahmedabad dated 30-4-68.

In the first column on the first page of
"Jansatta" with the heading "Delhi Speaks" ~~Mr. Navinchandra~~
Mr. Navinchandra Shah has stated that a secret
meeting with Rajaji was arranged by Mr. Minu Masani.
After disclosure of the details of this meeting
a stir has created among the Swatantra M.P.s
at Delhi. Some Swatantra M.P.s have got information
that Mr. Masani is busy to make some compromise
with Congress Party. Due to constant interference of
Mr. Masani nowadays the position of Swatantra
Party is not good. So Mr. Masani himself is not

happy for this position of the party. So he is busy to find out a plan secretly so that in future he will not be blamed for breaking the party which was sponsored by him. It is believed that Rajaji has already blessed this plan of Mr. Masani.

Plan of Masani

Masani now wants to come nearer to Congress. Rajaji ~~is~~ also agreed that if Congress remain rightist, there is no objection to compromise with it. Thus ~~after getting~~ ^{having secured} this consent of Rajaji Mr. Masani proposes as a first step to come nearer to Congress by not ~~opposing~~ opposing any Congress Candidate by Swatantra Party in any bye-election and to support Congress Candidate wherever it is necessary to do so. Mr. Masani's above proposal was put before Mr. Ranga & Mr. Dandekar and both of them are enraged by this proposal. Masani is not happy to the leadership of Ranga. So if Ranga do not accept this proposal Mr. Masani and his supporters will take steps to remove the leadership of Mr. Ranga.

Kindly let me know your comments on this news item.

Yours sincerely,
Rati Chai Patal