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Swatantra Party Parliamentary Office

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53 North Avenue,
New Delhi.

February 19, 1968.

A meeting of the General Body of the Party in Parliament was held at 2.30 P.M. in Room No.50 on Friday, 16th February, The following Members were present:

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| 1. Prof. N.G. Ranga | 18. Mr. Loknath Misra |
| 2. Mr. M.R. Masani | 19. Mr. D.N. Patodia |
| 3. Mr. C.C. Desai | 20. Prof. M. Ruthnaswamy |
| 4. Mr. Y.G. Gowd | 21. Mr. Dahyabhai V. Patel |
| 5. Mr. K.M. Koushik | 22. Mr. S.S. Mariswamy |
| 6. Mr. R.J. Amin | 23. Mr. C. Muthuswami |
| 7. Prof. R.K. Amin | 24. Mr. N. Dandekar |
| 8. Raja Venkatappa Naik | 25. Mr. A. Dipa |
| 9. Mr. R.R. Singh Deo | 26. Mr. S. Xavier |
| 10. Mr. G.S. Singh | 27. Mr. Piloo Mody |
| 11. Mr. P. Ramamoorthy | 28. Mr. S.K. Tapuriah |
| 12. Mr. M.K. Nanja Gowder | 29. Mr. Meetha Lal Meena |
| 13. Mr. D. Amat | 30. Mr. P.N. Solanki |
| 14. Mr. C.C. Singh Deo | 31. Mr. D.R. Parmar |
| 15. Mr. G.C. Naik | 32. Mr. Viren J. Shah |
| 16. Mr. P.K. Deo | 33. Mr. J. Mohd. Imam |
| 17. Mr. D.N. Deb | |

The Party discussed the latest situation in West Bengal arising out of the adjournment of the Assembly sine die by the Speaker. The Party was highly critical of the ruling of the Speaker, in adjourning the Assembly and the ugly scenes created by the United Front Members at the time of the opening of the Assembly by the Governor. The Party reiterated its demand in favour of the banning of the Communist Parties, and was distressed that this step had not yet been taken by the Government of India.

The Party was in favour of the P.C. Ghosh Ministry being given an opportunity to prove its majority. It was for the Central Government to take the initiative subsequently within the provisions of the Constitution.

Mr. P.K. Deo stressed his desire to move the Bill regarding impeachment of Governors which he had already introduced

The Leader announced that there was no necessity for any proceedings in this regard. Anyhow he was free to take such action as he desired in regard to the Bill in the light of the decision of the Executive Committee and also carry out his desire ultimately to move for its withdrawal at the time of the second reading.

C.C. Desai
Secretary