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Swatantra Party Parliamentary Office

53 North Avenue,
New Delhi.

March 17, 1967.

Minutes of the General Body Meeting

A meeting of the General Body of Swatantra Party in Parliament was held on 16th March, 1967 in Room No.62 Parliament House, New Delhi. The following Members were present:

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| 1. Mr. M.R. Masani (in the chair) | 22. Mr. S.K. Tapuriah |
| 2. Mr. J.M. Lobo Prabhu | 23. Mr. Davi Singh |
| 3. Mr. Charanjit Rai | 24. Mr. Piloo Mody |
| 4. Mr. Sundar Mani Patel | 25. Mr. Mahendra Majhi |
| 5. Mr. R.K. Birla | 26. Mr. D. Jena |
| 6. Mr. P.N. Solanki | 27. Mr. Gurucharan Naik |
| 7. Mr. H. Ajmal Khan | 28. Mr. Debanand Amat |
| 8. Mr. Manubhai Amersay | 29. Mr. Dhirendranath Deb |
| 9. Mr. R.J. Amin | 30. Mr. C.C. Desai |
| 10. Mr. Loknath Misra | 31. Mr. D.R. Parmar |
| 11. Mr. P. Ramamoorthy | 32. Mr. R.R. Singh Deo |
| 12. Mr. S. Xavier | 33. Mr. Anirudha Dipa |
| 13. Mr. C. Muthuswamy | 34. Mr. N. Dandekar |
| 14. Mr. Pashabhai Patel | 35. Maharani Gayatri Devi |
| 15. Raja Venkatappa Naik | 36. Mr. Y.G. Gowd |
| 16. Prof. Ruthnaswamy | 37. Mr. Viren J. Shah |
| 17. Mr. R.K. Amin | 38. Dr. M. Santhosham |
| 18. Mr. K.M. Kaushik | 39. Mr. D.N. Patodia |
| 19. Mr. K.P. Singh Deo | 40. Mr. Giriraj Saran Singh |
| 20. Maharaja P.K. Deo | 41. Nawabzada Zulfiqar Ali Khan |
| 21. Dr. B.N. Antani | |

The question of the Speaker's election in the light of the nomination of Mr. N. Sanjiva Reddy by the Congress Party was discussed. It was decided that after consultation with other Opposition Parties we should put up a candidate to contest for the office of the Speaker. The Party suggested the nomination of Shri Mohd. Imam if the same met the approval of other Opposition groups. For the office of the Deputy Speaker, the name suggested by the Party was that of Shri Mohd. Imam and Shri Kunte, an Independent Member from Maharashtra subject to other Opposition groups agreeing to one of the two names.

The proposed move on the part of certain Opposition groups to abstain from the President's address to protest against the promulgation of the President's rule in Rajasthan was discussed. Various Members expressed their opinion in favour and against such a move. The decision on the subject was postponed for the next meeting of the Party as the leader felt that the entire discussion was hypothetical; officially the Party had no information of the decision of the other Opposition parties in this regard.

The meeting adjourned with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

J.M. Lobo Prabhu
Secretary