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3 December 1948

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 24 November 1948 and a letter from Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar dated 6 October 1948 to the President of the Security Council, in which you informed him that there was no one now in Paris with the authority from your Government to deal with the Hyderabad question.

I further have the honour to refer to my letter of 25 November 1948 informing you that the contents of your letters had been brought to the attention of the representatives on the Security Council.

I wish, however, to invite your attention to the fact that the Council, at its 382nd meeting on 25 November 1948, decided that discussion of the Hyderabad question be postponed until one of the following meetings.

. I should be most grateful if you would be so kind as to inform me, as soon as possible, of the name of the representative of your Government who is authorized to participate in the Council's consideration of the Hyderabad question.

> A. Sobolev (Signed)

> > Assistant Secretary-General in charge of Security Council Affairs.

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<u>Reply</u>

10 December 1948

I have the honour to refer to your reference 1204-4-32/FYC dated 3 December to Her Excellency Mrs. V.L. Pandit. Without prejudice to the question of the competence of the Security Council to discuss Hyderabad which Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar raised on the very first occasion when Hyderabad's complaint, now withdrawn, was considered, my Government wish to inform the Council that conditions in Hyderabad are peaceful and normal. There has been, and is, complete freedom of entry into the State to anyone who desires o go to Hyderabad by air, rail or road. Anyone on behalf of the United Nations can go there as any other visitor. In the circumstances my Government do not propose to send a representative to he Security Council to discuss Hyderabad.

(Signed) Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai

Scerctary-General, Ministry of External Affairs & Commonwealth Relations, Government of India.