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QUESTION NO.114 RECOGNITION OF JERUSALEM AS CAPITAL OF **ISRAEL BY JERUSALEM**

December 28, 2017

RAJYA SABHA **STARRED QUESTION NO.114 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.12.2017**

RECOGNITION OF JERUSALEM AS CAPITAL OF ISRAEL BY JERUSALEM

*114. SHRI D. RAJA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the statement of US President Donald Trump, officially recognizing Jerusalem as the capital of Israel; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

ANSWER THE MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) & (b) A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 114 REGARDING "RECOGNITION OF JERUSALEM AS CAPITAL OF ISRAEL BY JERUSALEM" FOR ANSWER ON 28.12.2017

- (a) Yes.
- (b) On 6 December 2017, US President Donald Trump announced that the US is officially recognizing Jerusalem as the Capital of Israel. He also stated that the US will begin preparation to move their Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

Government has said that:

"India's position on Palestine is independent and consistent. It is shaped by our views and interests and not determined by any third country".



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