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been added to Jarawa reserve. A copy of the Notification dated 9th April, 1984 issued in this regard is enclosed.

(Annexure 'A').

In pursuance of the instructions contained in

Shri S Varadan's D.O. letter dated 14th July, 1983 and the decision taken at the meeting of the Advisory Committee on Primitive Tribes held on January 21 and 22, 1984, a Watch Dog Committee has been constituted to review and monitor the implementation of the safeguards recommended by the team of Anthropologists on Jarawa situation. This Committee of officers is headed by the Chief Secretary. Deputy Director, Anthropological Survey of India, Port Blair is also a Member of this Committee. A copy of the order issued in this regard is enclosed. (Annexure 'B').

Before the constitution of the Watch Dog Committee, it was thought that Shri KK Bhasin, Secretary(TW), should monitor the implementation of the safeguards recommended by the team of Anthropologists. As the Watch Dog Committee is now headed by the Chief Secretary of this Administration, I would be reviewing and monitoring the progress myself.

We are in regular touch with the Jarawas living in Middle Andaman. Our team of officers is now visiting the Jarawa area every month, as will be evident from the enclosed statement. (Annexure 'C'). These visits have been quite successful.

As the work on the Andaman Trunk Road has been resumed with effect from 14th March, 1984 only, the quarterly reports would be sent to the Ministry for the periods ending March, June, September and December.

It has been mentioned, inter-alia, in

Shri S Varadan's D.O. letter dated 14th July, 1983

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by the competent Scientists would be useful. Anthropogical