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CPAS NID 87-021JX TCS 2721/87 27 January 1987 Approved for Release: 2018/12/19 C06496669 Top Secret (b)(3)INDIA-PAKISTAN: Indian Military Moves Continue (b)(1)Four infantry brigades headquartered in Bikaner that had taken part in the Brass Tacks IV exercises were transferred to locations near the northern border, and one Army infantry battalion was to be airlifted from the Eastern Command on Sunday, presumably to the border. (b)(1)22 Jaguar and nine MIG-21 fighter aircraft left their base at Ambala. Pakistan has extended training-(b)(1)because of India's exercises but has made no moves along the border. since Friday (b)(3)Comment New Delhi probably will continue a high level of military activity as the final phase of the Brass Tacks exercises begins and as Sikhs threaten violence in Punjab. The Air Force units that left Ambala have been scheduled to participate in Brass Tacks, and the infantry brigades normally at Bikaner probably were sent to replace troops headed for the training area. The airlift from the Eastern Command, however, indicates that India may be preparing to expand the Army's domestic security forces particularly in Punjab: the movement of these troops—not scheduled to join the exercises—is Certain to alarm the Pakistanis if they detect it. (b)(3)

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