## **Editor's Note:**

This is the third of the special issues published by Government and Opposition on the political forces in different continents. After the special issues on Europe and Africa, and the present one on Asia, we intend to publish a special issue, early in 1970, on the political forces in Latin America.

We are particularly grateful to Hugh Tinker, who, like Denis de Rougement and Dennis Austin in the two previous special issues, has given invaluable help in organizing this special number on Asia. It is not his fault, nor that of the Journal if, because of the discrepancy between the vastness of the subject and our limited space, we could not cover more than a few of the important aspects of Asian politics. As it is we have postponed our usual review articles to the Spring number, as well as the Chronicle of Government and Opposition, covering the third quarter of 1968, which will appear in Spring 1970 together with the Chronicle for the fourth quarter of 1969.

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