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12th June, 1962.

My dear Dahyabhai,

I have received your letter of 6th June and I am sorry that you should feel the way you do. I am afraid that there is altogether a misunderstanding over the Parliamentary Board's decision. However, as you wish, I shall place the matter before the next meeting of Parliamentary Board and it should be called sometime before the next session of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha which will meet in August. I shall be grateful if you will kindly intimate me of the dates of the next session of the Rajya Sabha as this information will be useful to me.

Yours sincerely,

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My dear Masani,

I have your letter of the 1st. I have not been able to move out very much as I am now able to give some time to the long postponed treatment of my dental trouble. My dentist required my presence every other day, so I have not been able to meet Raju. I learn he is away and is expected to return to-day. I shall meet him and clear the accounts position as far as I know it.

I am not at all happy at what you say in your letter about the Parliamentary Boards decision of appointing me as leader only for the session. You atleast are aware that I have spent the last two years moving about touring all over Gujarat to build-up the party when I was not occupied with the work of Parliament. Are people who are not in Parliament going to direct the work in Parliament, ignoring those with a political background and experiences who are there? Now can you expect them to feel otherwise? All these makes me feel as if I am just tolerated and am then on sufferance. This position is not acceptable to me.

I wish you would convey this to the Parliamentary Board. I will certainly carry on till the end of this Session, but that will be all. I have a sense of self respect and I will not stand such humiliation longer. I hope I am quite clear.

Yours Sincerely,

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