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My dear Minoo,

Your letter of 23rd May regarding a Private Member's Bill on Salaries, Allowances and other Amenities for MPs was circulated to the members of the Board at its meeting in Madras on June 22. The Board, after discussion, decided to advice the Parliamentary Group of the Party as follows :

- Firstly, to see whether the recommendations of the Joint Select Committee could be got referred to an impartial third party (eg. a judge of the Supreme Court) for opinion, with the tacit understanding that such impartial opinion would be accepted by the House and the Bill amended accordingly;
- Secondly, if the House did not agree to the above, to support only those provisions in the Bill which embodied the unanimous recommendations of the Joint Select Committee but not those which were merely majority recommendations, and
- Thirdly, if even this stage was not accepted by the Congress Party, then to abstain from voting on those recommendations which were not unanimous.

The Board further requested the Party's leader in Parliament, Prof. N. G. Ranga to persuade the Congress Party to our view particularly in regard to the second alternative.

Yours sincerely,

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