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My dear Raju,

The papers you sent by airfreight have just arrived.

Here are some thoughts which I want to pass on to you so that you get them on Monday morning and can share them with Dr. Cooper!

1. I have sent a letter to the Times of India, Delhi, (copy attached) which I hope they will carry on Monday morning. If it does not, will you kindly ask Dr. Cooper to check up with Mr. Shyam Lal? X
2. I have wired R.N.Singh Deo to keep me posted with developments at his end arising out of the crisis that has been created by the unfortunate introduction of the Preventive Detention Bill. 4
3. I await the draft minutes of the two meetings in Bombay, but I am clear that they should not be issued till Dr. Cooper and I have a chance to sit together and finalise them between the 4th and 8th March. 4
4. Would you please send us the cost we have incurred for "Swatantra in Parliament" so far with whatever breakdown that may be available? [4]
5. I have just had a talk with Mr. C.C.Desai in Patodia's presence. He not only does not wish to behave in a disciplined manner from now on but he says he is justified in what he has done "and more". In view of this completely negative response and his refusal to discuss any alternative possibility, I have handed over the letter to him and obtained a receipt from him which I shall give you when I come to Bombay. 4
6. Among the papers you sent me, I have noticed C.C.Desai's interview with Sandesh in the issue of the 17th. I myself had received a copy from Gujarat and saw it was displayed on the front page. I would suggest that Dr. Cooper, in view of Mr. Desai's attitude, address a letter to him and send it by registered post drawing his attention to the report and forwarding it a copy of it in Gujarati and asking him to include in the explanation he is furnishing in reply to Dr. Cooper's letter of 18th instant. The letter should mention that our attention was drawn to this after the note attached to our letter of the 18th had issued. 4

Yours sincerely,

encl.

Mr. S.V.Raju,
Bombay.

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