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● (9:42 a.m.)

The CHAIRMAN: Gentlemen, I now see that we have a quorum, so we will proceed immediately. If you permit me, I would like to present to you the people who are appearing before us and we also have a guest.

We have back with us this morning, Dr. Richardson, who made a presentation to the Committee at the last meeting, and with whom we started questioning about the Hong Kong report, and Mr. Anderson, the Chairman of the Canadian Pension Commission, Mr. A. L. Fortey, the Secretary of the Canadian Pension Commission, and finally we also have Mr. Raymond Tow of the British Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance.

After I have covered two of the points on which I wish to report, we will proceed, if you agree, with the questioning of Dr. Richardson and after this, if the Committee has any questions to ask Mr. Anderson, the Chairman of the Canadian Pension Commission, you could address questions to him as well. I do not know how far this will take us, but I think we covered a lot of ground at the last meeting.

I would suggest to the Committee that if we have some time available, it might be useful for us and for the Steering Committee who will have to draft some sort of a report for the Committee, for presentation to the House, that we read the different recommendations that were made in the Hong Kong report. By such a reading some further questions might arise in the minds of the members. The purpose of our next meeting will be the acceptance of the report to the House of Commons. Are the members agreeable to everything I have said?

If you do not mind, I will start by giving a very short report of the participation of the members of the Committee in the Dominion Convention of The Royal Canadian Legion, which was held a week ago, at the end of our Easter recess. Even though this was not an official participation by the Committee, you may be assured that our presence there was very much appreciated.

Eleven of our members were present at the Convention, attended the opening, and attended also some of the meetings. As I said, our presence was really appreciated by the heads of the Legion and the members of the Committee were invited on to the platform and presented to the Assembly by the Chairman of the Committee, before the Minister made his presentation to the Convention.

I just want to mention to you that the people responsible for The Canadian Legion have expressed the hope that at further bi-annual conventions the