- (iv) Where appropriate, the staff would prepare précis outlining the medical history of the case to facilitate the task of the Medical Adviser in his review.
  - (c) The existing system under which Medical Advisers are permitted clerk-stenographers to be retained except that, over a period of time, the work now being done by these clerk-stenographers be transferred to the proposed clerical services section with the object of revising the responsibilities of these clerk-stenographers to those of a private medical secretary.

#### Recommendation 95

That the role of the Medical Adviser be restricted to that of providing medical opinions to the Commission.

### **Recommendation** 96

That the Medical Adviser prepare a "medical précis" based on the following principles:

- (a) The medical précis shall not be confidential to the Commission only, and shall be placed on file and be available for examination by those who have access to departmental files.
- (b) The précis shall furnish an opinion from the Medical Adviser where appropriate with respect to the medical aspects of the pension application.
- (c) Where such opinion is being written in connection with an application previously dealt with by the Medical Advisory Branch, the précis shall either refer to, or shall contain a condensation of, all previous advice on the case given by the Medical Advisory Branch.
- (d) The précis shall not contain opinion as to whether or not an applicant for entitlement can qualify under the Act or the policies of the Commission

## **Recommendation 97**

That a procedure be established within the Commission to determine which cases should be submitted to the Medical Advisory Branch for opinion.

### **Recommendation** 98

That there be no change in the wording of section 1 of the Pension Act, i.e., that it "may be cited as the Pension Act".

# **Recommendation** 99

That section 8 of the Pension Act be retained, i.e., regulations with respect to procedure.

### Recommendation 100

That the Commission publish Medical Advisory Branch Directives setting out policy with respect to the operation of the Branch. These would include:

- (a) The existing Table of Disabilities issued in the form of one or more of such Medical Advisory Branch Directives.
- (b) Full information with respect to the basis upon which Attendance Allowance, Clothing Allowance, and other supplementary benefits are paid.