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Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:-

I have the honour to address you with reference to the International Catalogue of Scientific Literature.

The work of the International Catalogue of Scientific Literature was in some countries interrupted and its support in other countries was temporarily withdrawn during the War. In the Canadian Bureau, however, work has steadily continued since the foundation of the Bureau, and it is absolutely essential that its support should be continued. The purpose of this communication is to place before you an explanation of what the International Catalogue of Scientific Literature is, a summary of what the Canadian Bureau has done, and a statement of reasons why adequate funds should be furnished by the Canadian Government for its continuance.

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