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Sir Arthur Currie, Principal, McGill University.

> INTERNATIONAL CATALOGUE OF SCIENTIFIC LITERATURE

Dear Sir Arthur:

I am enclosing herewith a statement of the work of the International Catalogue of Scientific Literature, together with certain reasons why its support should be continued by the Canadian Government. For your own information I append this statement of the amounts hitherto received by the University for this purpose. In addition to these amounts a certain sum, varying from \$500.00 to \$665.00, has been sent by the Government directly to London as the Canadian contribution towards printing the Catalogue. This money has never been under the control of the Canadian Bureau.

Though the sum of \$665.00 for 1920-21 and of \$665.00 for 1921-22 have been included in the Estimates, the grant for the support of the Bureau has not been included since 1919-20. For this reason I have suggested the sum of \$3,000.00 as the annual grant henceforth instead of \$2,000.00, in order to make up for the lapse of the grant during the last two years.

In answer to my recent inquiries I have received a number of suggestions as to ways of bringing this matter to the attention of the Canadian Government. The following quotations may be of use: