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Toronto, Ont. Stirling Tower,
April 21, 1934.

Honourable H.H. Stevens,
Minister of Trade and Commerce,
Ottawa.

Dear Mr. Stevens:

Re Continental Assurance Company, re Bill
No. 50 & Senate Bill "F" respecting
Foreign Insurance Companies.

Quite a long time ago (1931) you were kind enough to take an interest in the application of the above named Company for registry in Canada. The matter must have passed out of your notice in the interval since then, but I hope this letter will recall the circumstances to your mind.

After a long contest with the Supt. of Insurance and the Department of Justice, we succeeded in establishing our right to registry under the Foreign Insurance Companies' Act, 1932. Imagine our consternation upon being faced with special legislation designed to deprive us of the benefit of our victory in the Courts and reopen the whole question upon the basis of revised legislation. I think such procedure is unprecedented and it is almost incredible.

I enclose copy of a letter which I have written to the Prime Minister regarding the legislation. In the midst of the tremendous pressure of other important matters requiring your attention could you take time to look at the enclosed statements and give us the benefit of your sympathetic support when the matter is mentioned in Council.

The Minister of Justice has promised to mention the matter in Council and we feel satisfied that we have his sympathy.

Yours faithfully,

V. EVAN GRAY

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