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OTTAWA, 18 January, 1988.

Dear Mr. Meighen.

Referring to my telegram of today, I am just informed that the memorandum prepared by Planton with respect to insurance jurisdiction is being recest and will not be available until tomorrow morning. I will mail it special delivery to your house address.

While the insurance matter is item number five on the Conference agenda it does not mean that it will be taken up in that order. I am told the Prime Minister's idea is that the proceedings be as informal as possible. His view also appears to be that the conference will not last longer than three days. Finlayson, of the Prime Minister's office, is under the impression that Mr. Bennett expects you to be here for the Conference, particularly in connection with the insurance question, but he could find no trace of any letter having been written you as to this.

I have written Mr. V.R.Moore, of the Confederation Life, as instructed in your letter of the 7th instant, and enclose copy for your information.

Yours faithfully,

The Rt. Honourable Arthur Meighen, P.C.

Toronto, Ontario.

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