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Statements by Mr. Mackenzie King

House of Commons, February 1, 1923
Revised Hansard, Page 32

"The nature of the reply sent by the Government in answer to the despatch which was received was to the effect that as respects the sending of any contingent, it was our view that parliament alone should authorize a step of the kind, and that we would be pleased to receive the fullest information in order to decide upon the advisability of summoning parliament."

Revised Hansard, Page 33

"It is for parliament to decide whether or not we should participate in wars in different parts of the world, and it is neither right nor proper for any individual or for any group of individuals to take any step which might limit the rights of parliament in a matter which is of such great concern to all the people of our country."

House of Commons, March 23, 1933
Revised Hansard, Page 3306

"There is nothing in the law as it stands today which says that parliament must be convened in the first instance, but I think the Prime Minister made it clear that so far as he is concerned he would feel that parliament should be called in the first instance.

May I point out by way of a concrete instance exactly what I have in mind. In 1922 the government of this country was asked by the British government whether we would send a contingent to participate with the British forces in the near east in an effort to withstand aggression of the Turks upon Europe. The Liberal government of the day took