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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TURNBULL:

Re: Bill to amend the Special War Revenue Act

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As directed by the Prime Minister, I spoke to the Clerk of the House of Commons regarding the attached Bill, which was approved, this afternoon, by Council, with a view to ascertaining whether it would be possible to introduce this Bill as an amendment in the Senate, instead of proceeding in the first instance in the House of Commons.

Dr. Beauchesne takes the view that to proceed at once in the Senate would be possible, though irregular. If it were decided to do so, the whole Bill, as amended by the Senate, could be accepted by the House, which would record a pro forma exception.

The alternative course which Dr. Beauchesne would prefer, is to have the amending Bill introduced in the House, passed quickly through all its stages and then have the Senate consolidate it with the main Bill as they are apparently entitled to do under their rules.

If the Prime Minister decides to proceed as recommended by Dr. Beauchesne, will you please send him the attached Bill and letter from me, for the Order Paper.

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