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Negotiations with the Provinces

A chronological survey

On November the 5th, 1937, the Prime
Minister addressed a circular letter to the Premiers
of all the provinces "to enquire whether their governments would be agreeable to an amendment being made in
the British North America Act empowering the Federal
Parliament to enact unemployment insurance legislation."

Replies from the Provincial Premiers

Letters expressing unconditional support for the amendment were received from the Premiers of six of the provinces as follows:

November 10, 1937, from the Premier of Manitoba; November 10, 1937, from the Premier of Saskatchewan; November 11, 1937, from the Premier of British Columbia;

November 13, 1937, from the Premier of Prince Edward Island;

November 24, 1937, from the Premier of Nova Scotia; November 25, 1937, from the Premier of Ontario.