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With further reference to our circular number 16/63, you will appreciate that speed was essential in sending the Memorandum as the Second Reading of the Bill is now on the order paper. . We therefore, could not consult all regions. However, since Cape Western, through their advice office have very definite views on the points they wish to be raised, we asked Mrs. Robb to come here to work on the Memorandum.

We wish to thank Cape Western for making this hurried visit possible and to pay tribute to Mrs. Robb whose detailed knowledge of the Bill was invaluable.

When reading the memorandum, please remember that we were seeking an interview and therefore adopted a different tone from our first memorandum. Only some of the very worst aspects of the Bill were picked out.

Should this interview not be granted, at least we are on record and we shall use this memo to the best advantage.

Have you any special people to whom you think copies could be sent? If so, please let us have the number required.

In either event, we shall probably send copies to all Opposition Members of Parliament and Senators for their use in the debate, as we consider it covers many important points, some of which were rather obscure.

Obviously we cannot release this to the Press until after the interview is granted, or on receipt of a refusal. We shall advise you immediately.

We are very intrigued with Natal Midlands' idea of the cars with black ribbons for their demonstration and also with the pictorial posters to be used by Cape Western. We shall be glad to have details from other regions.

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