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29th August 1988

Dear Sri Chopra,

Sub: Grievances and demands of  
Construction Workers:  
Ref: Your letter 53/CI/86/R-98  
dated 19-8-1988

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I have received to-day (29.8.'88) a communication from the Lok Sabha Secretariat that the Chairman, Committee on Petitions, has posted the meeting of the Committee for 31.8.'88, for me to appear and give evidence. While it is true that Sri Venkataramani contacted me and I gave him to understand that I may be able to be in Delhi on 31.8.'88, I later told him that I would not be able to come to Delhi in August and that the Committee may be pleased to take my evidence if needed at its next meeting, perhaps in November. Since the notice to me reached just on the 29th August for appearance on the 31st I was somewhat disturbed that Sri Venkataramani might not have been able to make a representation for the postponement of the Committee meeting to a later date. I have, therefore, sent a telegram stating:

"ILL HEALTH UNABLE UNDERTAKE LONG JOURNEY  
PRAY POSTPONEMENT

JUSTICE KRISHNA IYER"

My health is somewhat feeble and I am not able to undertake a journey to Delhi right now, especially on a sudden visit for a day. Moreover, it totally upsets my other commitments.

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My presentation as Chairman of the National Campaign Committee for Central legislation on Construction Labour is not absolutely essential although I do feel that I should support and explain the importance of the provisions of the Bill. If the Committee is so pleased I may be given a later opportunity in November or December and advance notice given to me.

Yours sincerely,

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To,

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