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Dear Prime Minister

LUXEMBOURG EUROPEAN COUNCIL

I enclose two statements adopted last week by the European TUC Executive at their meeting prior to the forthcoming Luxembourg Summit. I hope to be one of the ETUC representatives in Luxembourg next Monday when the statements will be presented formally.

The first constitutes the ETUC's proposals for dealing with the problem of unemployment, and I trust you will accept that it sets out a constructive approach which the trade unions of Western Europe are united in presenting to their Governments.

The second statement on European/Japanese economic relations arose from discussion on the motor car industry. We believe it is important that this problem is solved at the EEC level, and we also believe that the Luxembourg Summit should agree that this item be placed on the Ottawa agenda next month.

I hope that the British Government will be able to support the approach outlined in both of these statements.

Yours sincerely

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General Secretary



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