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I am writing simply to record the Chancellor's report of his conversation with the Prime Minister at Chequers last Sunday. His understanding is that the Prime Minister agreed that the December meeting of the NEDC should be devoted to a general economic discussion; and that the Chancellor should take the chair at that meeting. Arrangements are now going ahead on that basis.

I shall write to you again shortly about the possibility of the Prime Minister taking the chair at a meeting of NEDC in the first few months of 1980, with some indication of the likely agendas.

I am copying this letter to Ian Ellison, Stuart Hampson, Bill Burroughs, Ian Fair and Martin Vile.

Your ever,

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