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Dear Ralph,

Just a line to confirm, by letter, that the Centre is looking forward to entertaining you, John and Arthur to dinner on Tuesday next, 19th October, 7 for 7.30 p.m. at the Centre. Personally, I am very sorry to have to tell you that I shall be unable to make the occasion; I shall be unavoidably abroad. I hope you will forgive me this apparent discourtesy, but I am sure you know how much I always enjoy IEA company. However, I think it fair to say that I meet everybody sufficiently frequently to know your views on most of the points likely to be discussed.

Given that our last meeting, entirely due to our fault, was not as fruitful as it ought to have been, we thought we would try to structure this one with a tentative agenda. I therefore enclose something which may form a basis for a more orderly discussion. If you would like to add any items, could you raise them at the dinner or, if you prefer, let Martin Bendelow know by telephone in advance.

Yours sincerely,

Martin

Martin Wassell
General Director

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SUGGESTED AGENDA FOR CPS/IEA DINNER - 19TH OCTOBER 1976

- 1) CPS publications - past and prospective. Is CPS on the right lines; ought we to be doing more or less or different?
- 2) Radical Alternative Policy series - to discuss.
- 3) Intervention series - to discuss.
- 4) Respective initiatives re the BBC Galbraith series.
- 5) CPS's Bibliography of Freedom - to discuss.
- 6) F. E. E. - Sir Keith to report.
- 7) 'Common ground' - can we find some scope for joint initiatives with the Fabians and other more rational socialists?
- 8) CPS's monetary colloquium - Sir Keith to report.
- 9) What can we do about the C. B. I. , if anything?
- 10) CPS's and IEA's finances - any conflict?
- 11) Criticisms and further suggestions including proposed new directions for CPS.