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THE PRIME MINISTER

17 November 1980

Dear Dr. Hammer,

Thank you very much for your two letters of 12 November.

I shall take into account the additional points you have made about the Oil Taxation Act. I should be happy to have a further discussion with you about this, and about the project proposals you outlined at Flotta, when you are in London next February. Perhaps your London office could be in touch with No. 10 to settle a time once your dates are firm.

I should also very much like to attend the opening of the exhibition at the Royal Academy, but I fear that I am already committed to a heavy programme in that week in February, and I know that there will be other Government business arising between now and then. In these circumstances, I think I must decline your most generous invitation, both for the exhibition and for the dinner. I shall, nevertheless, look forward to seeing you here.

Yours sincerely,

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