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From the Private Secretary

24 December 1982

Thank you for your letter of 23 December, with the good news that the Commission had decided at their meeting on 21 December to raise no objection to the proposed aid to Hitachi Maxell.

The Prime Minister read your letter, and has asked me to thank Sir Michael Butler and all concerned.

I am sending copies of this letter to Margaret O'Mara (HM Treasury), Jonathan Spencer (Department of Industry), John Rhodes (Department of Trade) and Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office).

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Dear Michael,

In your letter of 15 December, you reported that the Hitachi Maxell case had been discussed between the Prime Minister, Mr Jenkin and Mr Hurd at a meeting on 14 December, and that the Prime Minister had asked Mr Hurd to ensure that the Commission made no further difficulties over the proposed aid to Hitachi Maxell so that the project at Telford could go ahead without delay.

Following intensive lobbying by Sir Michael Butler in Brussels, the Commission decided at their meeting on 21 December to raise no objection to the aid.

I am copying this letter to Margaret O'Mara (HM Treasury), Jonathan Spencer (Department of Industry), John Rhodes (Department of Trade) and Richard Hatfield (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever,

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