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JANUARY 16, 1985

DEAR MARGARET:

REGARDING YOUR MESSAGE ON THE POUND.

WE UNDERSTAND YOUR CONCERN, AND RECOGNIZE THAT ON OCCASION DISORDERLY MARKETS MAY DEVELOP. WE TAKE SERIOUSLY OUR JOINT COMMITMENT MADE AT THE WILLIAMSBURG SUMMIT WHICH, AS YOU RECALL, WAS TO PURSUE CLOSER CONSULTATIONS ON POLICIES AFFECTING EXCHANGE RATES AND ON MARKET CONDITIONS. IN THAT CONNECTION, WE ALSO DISCUSSED COORDINATED INTERVENTION WHERE IT WAS AGREED SUCH INTERVENTION WOULD BE HELPFUL.

SECRETARY REGAN WILL BE PREPARED THIS THURSDAY TO DISCUSS THE CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE EXCHANGE MARKET SITUATION AND RELATED ISSUES WITH CHANCELLOR LAWSON AND THE OTHER G-5 FINANCE MINISTERS.

I HAVE ASKED SECRETARY REGAN TO GIVE ME A FULL REPORT ON THE MEETING FRIDAY MORNING.

I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN FEBRUARY.

SINCERELY,

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