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DER BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND  
Jürgen Ruhfus

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Dear Prime Minister

I would like to bring to your attention that a very high German decoration, the Grand Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany, has, upon the personal initiative of the Federal President, been bestowed upon Sir Karl Popper. I have been entrusted to present this decoration to Sir Karl and a date has now been fixed for Tuesday, 25th January.

I recall the personal interest you have in the work of Sir Karl and I remember very well the talks you had with Sir Karl in my house the evening when the Grand Cross of the Order of Merit was presented to Henry Moore.

I know that Sir Karl, as well as myself, would feel highly privileged if you could honour the event with your presence. This is why I have the great pleasure and the honour to invite you and Mr. Thatcher to the ceremony which is to take place at 12 noon, with luncheon to follow.

I am, dear Prime Minister

Yours sincerely

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