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Dear Prime Minister

A. J. C. 31/5

Thank you for your letter proposing that the next Economic Summit should be held in the United Kingdom. I agree, of course.

Our view is that the British Government should put forward at the Williamsburg Summit radical, constructive proposals to assist world recovery and that when the agenda is set for the next meeting the emphasis should be on the urgent need for co-ordinated Government policies for world recovery and stabilised exchange rates, and the necessity for a greatly expanded provision of aid to poor countries.

The outcome of recent summit meetings has not matched the scale of the world economic crisis so we hope that there will be a change of policy at Williamsburg and that full employment and the elimination of poverty will be the number one priority.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Foot

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The Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher