7th March, 1983

"That this House expresses its total confidence both in the United States Alliance and in the Independent Nuclear Deterrent, and believes that public acceptance of both will be reinforced by the introduction of a mechanism for sovereign physical control of theatre nuclear weapons based in this country, as was done by the Right Honourable Harold Macmillan in 1958 on the last occasion when a new missile system, the Thor, was deployed in the United Kingdom".

The above Hotion, which was subsequently withdrawn, had been signed by the following:-

Clark

Rippon

Cranborne

Higgs-Davison

Patten

Hugh Fraser

Beaumont-Dark

Gower

Fell

Budgen

Ward

Harlow

Mawby

Skeet

Winterton

Grist

Bonsor

Langford-Holt

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Patrick McNair-Wilson

Thorne

Bowden

Braine

Aitken

Kaberry

Bill Benyon

Tapsell

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John Carlisle

Peter Lloyd

Tom Benyon

Brown

Price

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The Right Honourable Michael Jopling, M.P. House of Commons

c.c. The Right Honourable Michael Heseltine, M.P.

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10 DOWNING STREET

23rd March 1983

DUAL KEY

I very much appreciate your courtesy in having sent to me a copy of the letter which you had sent to those 37 colleagues who had signed your Early Day Motion which was subsequently not tabled.

I understand how strongly you feel about this, and would like to have a word with you.

I will seek you out.

and

IAN GOW

The Hon Alan Clark MP