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Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to Francis Pym of 11th April, about early implementation of agreed COCOM measures to embargo high technology trade with the Eastern Bloc.

I support your proposal, for all the reasons you quote. This proposal has a useful tactical advantage given the other difficulties we face with the Americans over the Shultz studies. In addition, of course, the MOD sees a positive reason for giving early effect to any decisions to control the transfer of high technology to the East which may help to strengthen the Warsaw Pact's own military potential.

I am copying this letter to the other recipients of yours.

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