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Mr. Rickett

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(will He PM's statement on Stuttgart

be repeated in the hords?)

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STATEMENTS IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS

As I mentioned to John Coles in the context of the Stuttgart meeting, the Lord President of the Council has asked if it would be possible, on the occasions when he repeats in the House of Lords a statement which the Prime Minister is making in the House of Commons, for the background briefing supplied to the Prime Minister to accompany the statement. I wonder if you see any difficulty about this? If not, I would be grateful if a standing arrangement could be made for this purpose.

I am copying this note to Richard Hatfield.

Your snicery, Bob Wholley

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