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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Jean Pater,

Thank you for your letter of 27 January declining - in the nicest possible way - my invitation to deliver the first Anglo-Soviet lecture. I quite understand why you reach this decision and we shall look elsewhere, although we shall not find anyone so well qualified.

I look forward to seeing you in Brussels on 17 February.