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Dear Secretary of State,

IRAQ/KUWAIT - INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY

I understand that there is to be a further meeting of the International Energy Agency next week to review the market situation and discuss whether members can rest on the decisions taken on 9 August or whether further steps, such as stock draw-down, should be sanctioned.

I know that you appreciate the Treasury's wider interest in this question, because of its implications for economic management. Could I therefore ask that your officials get in touch with mine at an early stage of the preparation for this meeting, and that at Ministerial level we keep in close contact?

Copies of this letter go to members of OD.

Yours sincerely,

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(Approved by the  
Financial Secretary,  
and signed in his  
absence.)

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