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SCRUTINY DEBATE ON ECONOMIC AND MONETARY UNION

The Chancellor wrote to the Lord President on 12 July suggesting that there should be a debate in the Autumn on economic and monetary union; this followed a recommendation of the House of Commons Select Committee on European legislation, which had carried out a scrutiny on a Commission report on the subject.

The Chancellor would like to pursue the possibility of a substantive debate (on a 'to take note' motion) before the Inter-Governmental Conference begins on 13 December. His preference is for a debate in the week beginning Monday, 26 November, or failing that, the week beginning 3 December. The wording of the motion could be considered nearer the time.

I am copying this letter to Charles Powell, Murdo MacLean, and the Private Secretaries of L Committee members, and Sir Robin Butler.

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