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In Michael Jopling's absence, I write to record that our views coincide with those of Nicholas Ridley in his letter of 17 February.

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I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, other members of the Cabinet, the Minister of State at the Privy Council Office and to Sir Robert Armstrong.

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