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THE PRIME MINISTER

16 November 1984

Dear John

Thank you for your letter of 6 November with which you enclosed a letter and paper from Mr. Laurent Murawiec of the Schiller Institute in Wiesbaden, and for your subsequent letter of 12 November.

I share Alfred Sherman's assessment of the Schiller Institute and am unable to take Mr. Murawiec's paper seriously. To take but one example, the references to Western 'appeasement', 'moral weakness', and the 'New Yalta outlook' prevailing in Britain are clearly wide of the mark. In general the paper is a good deal stronger on unsubstantiated propositions than it is on facts.

I think the best answer, if you feel you have to reply, is a polite acknowledgement giving Mr. Murawiec no occasion to continue to press his views.

Yours
Margaret

Sir John Hoskyns, Kt.