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Dear Tim,

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I have seen the recent exchanges of correspondence on this project and am grateful to Paul Channon for underlining (in his letter to you of 5 December) that John Brown Engineering are also interested in this contract. Your letter to him of 27 November over-emphasised the GEC dimension. I realise that the developmental case is your own main concern and, as I read the papers, the issues do not seem to me to be as clear-cut as Peter Rees' letter of 30 November might seem to imply. But I agree very much with Paul Channon that, bearing in mind the John Brown interest, the commercial case for an ATP offer is strong.

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I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, Peter Rees, Geoffrey Howe, Paul Channon and Sir Robert Armstrong.

Yours ever,
George.

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