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From the Parliamentary Secretary (Commons)

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Dear David,

STRENGTHENING THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL ON PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF CHLOROFLUOROCARBON (CFCS)

at 11:45
Your letter of 6 April to Nicholas Ridley setting out a proposed UK line to be adopted at the first meeting of parties to the Montreal Protocol on 2-5 May 1989 was copied to John MacGregor. In his absence in Luxembourg he has asked me to reply.

We support the proposal's outlined in your paper that targets for reductions in CFC production should be set at an overall level rather than be sector specific. This will allow more time to adjust to new levels especially in the fisheries sector where there are a number of proposals under way which may have an effect on the economics of this sector of industry.

Given the importance of the issue for the fisheries sector, and for the food industry, I would like my Department to be represented at meetings of officials to take this forward.

I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister, other members of E(A), Geoffrey Howe, Douglas Hurd, George Younger and Kenneth Clarke; and to Sir Robin Butler.

*Yours,
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