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Geneva, 6th November, 1980

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Dear Prime Minister,

The conference on European Security and Cooperation will soon begin in Madrid, with the goal of evaluating progress made in these fields since the signature of the Helsinki Accords.

We believe that the case of the Soviet Physicist Yuri Orlov must be the subject of very careful study at this conference, since it was on the basis of his activities as founder of the Helsinki Watch Group in Moscow that our colleague Orlov was tried and sentenced. Indeed we believe that to remain silent on this of all cases would be to deprive the Madrid Conference of its meaning and purpose.

It is for this reason that we address to you and to the other European Prime Ministers a copy of the letter which we have prepared for the conference delegates, together with a short summary of Orlov's life and work.

We hope that you will give your delegates to the conference the power to ensure a prominent place in the discussions for Orlov's case, and we ask you to make it known at what point in the conference this will be possible.

We thank you for your attention in this matter and remain at your disposition for any further information which may be required.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. J. Eades)

Signed on behalf of the Yuri Orlov Committee.

(Dr. D.E. Plane)