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*Dear Glenn,*

POLAND

As the suggestion has been made that at some point the International Staff might produce a paper listing the responses Allied governments have made or intend to make to the Polish amnesty it could be helpful if I were to state for the record points which I made in the Committee on 7 August.

I said that the British government was then (and is still) considering its response to the Polish amnesty. While we would wish to move cautiously, taking account of how the amnesty was being implemented and of any backsliding, it called for a positive response. The West's aim should continue to be the re-engagement of Western influence in Poland and the resumption of a normal relationship.

The British government was considering the following moves:

- a) confirmation of UK support for Polish membership of the IMF;
- b) the lifting of political constraints on the provision of further credit to Poland leaving decisions to be taken solely on commercial grounds but still linked to satisfactory progress in The Paris Club negotiations for the rescheduling of the Polish debt;
- c) the lifting of political objections to providing small tranches of credit for further development of continuing projects in Poland;

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- d) a visit to Poland by Mr Rifkind, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, in the autumn with a possible visit by a Minister from the Department of Trade and Industry later in the year;
- e) the lifting of the ban on high level cultural manifestations in Poland.

*Yours ever,*

*Frank Wheeler*

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and the Representative of the IMS.