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*Mr. Rees may be saying the position
had changed - await a further
letter. A.S.C. 9/5.*

Dear John,

BRITISH/SOVIET JOINT COMMISSION

I am writing to let you know that the eleventh session of the British-Soviet Joint Commission is due to take place in Lancaster House on 18 and 19 May. My Minister leads the UK delegation and the Soviet team will be headed by Mr Yuri Brezhnev, First Deputy Minister for Foreign Trade and son of the late President.

The Joint Commission is an annual event, aimed at the development of mutually beneficial trade with the Soviet Union and our team for this session includes eight senior British businessmen with active interests in the Soviet market. Our aim will be to keep the discussions businesslike, and to use the opportunity to further the interests of British companies. The Joint Commission is bound to attract some press attention although we shall keep the event as low-key as possible.

Copies go to the Private Secretaries to Members of OD and to the Secretary of State for Industry and the Minister for Agriculture.

*Yours sincerely,
Jonathan Rees*

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