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~~Copy to Mr. Owen.~~

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Dear John,

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Thank you for your letter of 31 October 1983.

We have noted the Prime Minister's reaction to Mr Tebbit's letter. In the event there was no further discussion of "killer clauses" during the remainder of the latest round of discussions on computers, which ended last week. However, a "policy level" meeting on computers has been proposed by the US, at which this subject might usefully be discussed. Once the timing is settled we propose to seek further negotiating guidance from Ministers on this matter.

I am copying this to the Private Secretaries to the Members of OD and Sir Robert Armstrong.

Yours sincerely,
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