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Dear David,

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.. We spoke earlier on the telephone about the Government amendment to the Opposition motion for tomorrow's debate. I now attach the draft amendment, and would be grateful for clearance as soon as possible.

2 I am copying this letter and attachment to Alison Smith (Lord Privy Seal's Office), Murdo Maclean (Chief Whip's Office), and Jeremy Wright (MoD), and Paul Pegler (Chief Secretary's Office).

*Yours ever,
Michael*

MICHAEL GILBERTSON
Private Secretary

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Notes with approval the Government's continuing determination to work towards a viable and internationally competitive automotive industry located in the United Kingdom; and endorses the view that subject to satisfactory terms and conditions, the merger of the commercial vehicle activities of Land Rover Leyland and Bedford would contribute to that objective and provide the best prospects for secure long-term employment in the industry.

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