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Dear Sirs

I have been asked by [REDACTED], to convey to you the following message:

Dear Colleague:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your message of December 15 concerning the review of the British Economic Policies for the next two years and the UK Formal Letter of Application for a stand-by credit arrangement with the IMF. I am pleased to confirm that the Canadian Government will support your application. Moreover, we have indicated to the Managing Director of the IMF our full agreement to the activation of the general arrangements to borrow and you may be assured that Canada will participate in the financing of the British drawing.

As regards the 1946 Canadian Post War Loan to Britain, I have noted your intention to announce that Britain would defer the payments of principal and interest which are due at the end of December. I understand the reasons which have motivated your decision and realize that your decision is in conformity with the rights of the British authorities as outlined in the 1946 Financial Agreement between our two countries, as amended in 1957. We will on our side examine the longer term aspects and implications of the terms of the 1946 Agreement and contact you again in the near future.

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If we at the High Commission can ever be of assistance to you, for example, in the transmission of these messages, you have only to let us know. I would like to add my personal wishes for the success of the economic measures you have recently put forward, and for a happy and prosperous 1977.

