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Dear Michael.

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The Prime Minister was interested to read the Lord Privy Seal's letter of 17 April to the(21) Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary reporting his recent conversation with M. Jean Monnet at Leverkusen.

Mr. Heath has suggested that M. Monnet's idea, that the Community might develop an employment policy (providing generous compensation to displaced workers), merits further examination. This might be another means of obtaining benefits for this country from the Community's budget.

I am sending copies of this letter to Gilmore (Lord Privy Seal's Office), Bailey (H.M. Treasury), Wright (Department of Trade and Industry), Pakenham and Norbury (Cabinet Office).

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