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THE PRIME MINISTER

11 December 1985

Dear Professor Carstens,

Thank you for your letter of 25 November. It was a useful reminder of the conclusions reached by the Action Committee for Europe.

As you say, these issues have been at the centre of the work of the Inter-governmental Conference. We went to Luxembourg in the hope that agreement could be reached on practical steps to speed up completion of the common market, to make the Community more competitive and to strengthen foreign policy cooperation. The results that we achieved mark an important step towards enabling the Community to realise the objectives laid down in the Treaty.

Yours sincerely
Margaret Thatcher

Professor Dr. Karl Carstens

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