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*Dear Secretary of State,*

**OZONE CONFERENCE: ASSISTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

Thank you for copying to me your minute <sup>at 11.15</sup> of 17 March to the Prime Minister on the need to develop a line on assisting developing countries to move to CFC-free technologies. I have also seen the Prime Minister's response asking for a paper to be produced on this subject, with FCO/ODA in the lead and consulting other Departments as necessary.

As far as my Department is concerned, my letters of 28 February and 7 March have already drawn attention to its relatively limited role in this respect and I do not think there is anything further to add at this stage to what I have already said. But my officials will of course be ready to assist in the preparation of the policy paper.

I am copying this letter to the Prime Minister (for information), to Nigel Lawson, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chris Patten and Sir Robin Bulter.

*Yours sincerely,*

*N. R. Ridley*

*(Approved by the Secretary of  
State and signed on his  
behalf)*

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