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Dear Sir,

Polychlorinated Biphenyls:
Proposals for Concerted Action

You will remember that at its 6th session on 8th-10th November 1972, the Committee agreed in principle to the draft proposals for concerted action regarding PCBs, as outlined in NR/ENV/72.51. They have since been discussed in detail by the Sector Group on Unintended Occurrence of Chemicals in the Environment at its meeting on 24th-26th November. The proposals, as amended and agreed by the Sector Group, are given in the enclosed document ENV(72)27.

You will also recall that the Environment Committee at its 6th session noted and endorsed the wish of the OECD Council to receive these proposals at an early date and if possible before the end of 1972. Consequently the Committee agreed that once these proposals had been finalised by the Sector Group they should be sent to the Environment Committee for comment within 15 days after which, should no major criticisms be made thereon, they should be submitted to the OECD Council.

I would be grateful if you would examine the proposals in the enclosed document. If you have any comments, please convey these to me before 13th December as agreed. Should you wish clarification on these proposals, may I suggest that you contact your national delegate to the Sector Group /see enclosed list of participants/ who participated in the final drafting of these proposals.

Thanking for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

H. Roderick

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To: Members of the Environment Committee
c.c. National Delegations and members of the Sector Group on Unintended Occurrence of Chemicals in the Environment.

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