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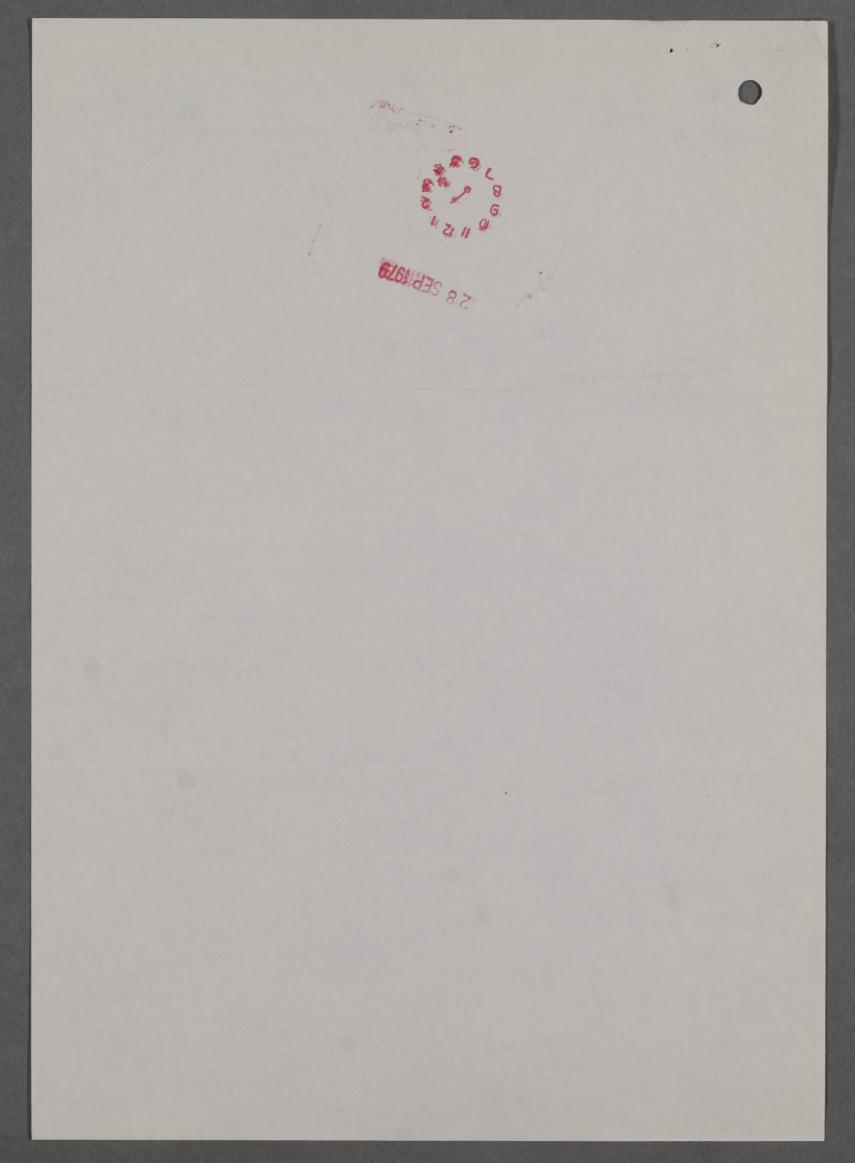
I have read your letter of 18 September about the possibility of an official publication setting out our case on the EEC Budget. I have also seen Ian Gilmour's reply.

This is just to say that I agree with his points and the reasoning behind them.

I am copying this to the Prime Minister, members of OD(E) and Sir John Hunt.

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With the Compliments

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Lord President of the Council