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Dear Mr. Brorson,

I am writing to thank you for the kind hospitality you have shown to me during my visit to Copenhagen on February 25th and 26th. I do very much hope that the discussions we have had and which I think were extremely valuable, have cleared away the slight misunderstanding that may have existed on your side with regard to the high authority in the Mansholt Plan.

I hope that I have been able to explain to you that the principle of the high authority has from the very beginning been part and parcel of the Mansholt Plan. Paragraphs 27 and 28 of the Plan explain that voting in the Council of Ministers should be by qualified majority. It is on this very point I think that the countries which agree to the principle of the high authority have to decide to what extent they are prepared to transfer authority to the high authority.

I have been deeply honoured by the kindness His Excellency Sonderup has shown to me and I on my side feel that my visit has contributed to the friendly understanding between the Danis and the Netherlands Ministries of Agriculture in particular with respect to the problems relating to integration of European agriculture. We have very much in common indeed. Will you please be good enough to convey my gratitude to your Minister. If there are any other points you would want me to comment upon I shall be glad to do so and I am sure that the intermediary of Dr.de Waal will be of great help in the contact between you and me.

With my very best wishes to yourself and to your collaborators.

yours very sincerely,

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