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Herrn Oberregierungsrat Dr. K. H. Drechsler
Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft
Abteilung VI
Bonn-Duisdorf, Western Germany

In fact, Dr. Donner has written already to Dr. Drechsler about you.

You might explain to Dr. Drechsler that since Dr. Donner informed the Ministry about you some time ago, he may already know about your desire to work with the Bank.

You might then specify that you are not thinking exclusively of a traineeship, but would also be interested in the possibility of joining the Bank as a younger staff member. You may mention that Dr. deVries and I are willing to support your application and, since you understand that recently candidates for such posts have been proposed to Mr. Fowler, the Bank's personnel manager, you may ask Dr. Drechsler whether he could also support your application. You should make it clear that you are quite willing to go to Bonn to present yourself to him.

I hope this procedure may lead to something. If not, let me know.

Yours very sincerely,

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College of Europe
Bruges, Belgium

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