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From the Foreign Secretary and Vice-President Professor RB Heap CBE FRS 1 December 1998
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Dear Dr Jost

I am pleased to note from correspondence from the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC) to Ruth Cooper that the RSC has agreed to become the adhering body to IUPAC. As such, I wish to give you formal notice that the Royal Society will cease adherence to IUPAC at the next General Assembly.

I recommend that the RSC becomes the adhering body to IUPAC for the UK; the proposed change should serve to strengthen the links between the UK chemistry community and the IUPAC. The Royal Society will of course continue to take an active interest in IUPAC affairs and indeed will continue to provide a variety of different funding schemes to support UK activities in IUPAC.

Yours sincerely

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