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When designing a Welded Beam Column Moment Connection without stiffeners the applied load remains constant even when changing the applied moment (Eurocode 3 - 2005).

The reason for the limiting force, is due to a limitation specified in the Design code at EC 3 1993.1.8.2005 Section 4.10 (Connections to Unstiffened Flanges).

Section 4.10 (5) states that 'Even is $b_{eff} \leq b_p$, the welds connecting the plate to the flange need to be designed to transmit the design resistance of the plate $b_p t_p f_{y,p} / \gamma_{M0}$ assuming a uniform stress distribution'.

Using this formula and the chosen section dimensions will give you the limiting force.