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26, Bedford Square,  
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Lord Noel-Buxton,  
Colne Cottage,  
CROMER.

*Arabs*

18th  
August  
1936

Dear Noel-Buxton,

I enclose a letter for publication in "The Times" to which I venture to urge you to attach your signature; at this time of year when everyone is away, even events of importance are very apt to pass by unnoticed. I am sure you will excuse this somewhat abrupt mode of procedure, but the matter is urgent. If you will be good enough to sign, I should be most grateful if you would kindly notify your assent to me by telegram at the above address. Copies of this letter have been sent to

Lord Cecil of Chelwood,  
The Bishop of Durham,  
Dr. Joan Fry,  
Dr. John Scott Lidgett,  
Lord Lothian,  
Lord Lytton.

Yours sincerely,

*W. J. Chamberlaine*

I regret that the wording of this letter is a little peremptory! Please excuse it; it is simply due to haste.



The Editor,  
The Times,  
Printing House Square,  
E.C.

Sir,

On Saturday, August 15th, information appeared in the British press that the previous night several Arabs entered a Jewish house at Safed in which three children were asleep, and deliberately fired at the children's hearts, killing two instantaneously and mortally wounding the third. This was not the first murder of Jewish children by Arab terrorists. On July 23rd an Arab terrorist threw a bomb into a Jewish children's playground on the outskirts of Tel-Aviv, wounding seven children. And on Tuesday, August 18th, the shooting of two Government nurses, both Jewesses, was reported, one being killed, the other seriously injured.

In the face of such utterly unprecedented outrages, the Arab Leaders in Palestine have preserved absolute silence; not one of them has publicly condemned the deliberate killing of women and children, and not one voice has been raised to that effect in the Arab press. On the contrary, the Arab terrorists are indiscriminately extolled as national heroes.

In spite of a reign of terror lasting four months and almost unbearable provocation, the Jews have preserved an attitude of extreme restraint. How much longer can they be expected to preserve it? While an Arab can walk in perfect safety in any part of Palestine, a Jewish child is not even safe in its own bed.

Might we appeal to those who are supporting the Arab cause in this country that they should publicly express their indignation and, what is more important, make clear to the Arab leaders that they cannot expect any sympathy for their cause from any quarter in this country if they do not immediately take effective measures to stop the activities of the terrorists.



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14th March, 1940.

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Deedes*

Dear Noel-Buxton,

Thank you very much for your letter and  
the memorandum. I will of course read this carefully  
and if I have anything to say, will write to you.

With very kind regards; I so much regret  
that we do not meet at all these days,

Yours sincerely, *W*

*Wyndham Deedes*

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