

HOTEL DUPONT PLAZA
WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 18, 1963

Col. Alun Gwynne Jones
The London Times
Printing House Square
London, E.C. 4

Dear Col. Jones:

When I saw you in London, you were kind enough to suggest that I might send you two short pieces of about 1300 words each which, if you find them suitable, you might print on the editorial page of The London Times.

I am enclosing two pieces, marked Part I and Part II. If you should find that Part II is too long you might omit either a marked passage close to the bottom of page three or, also, you might omit the marked passage which starts at the bottom of page two and ends at the top of page three or else, you might omit the marked passage which starts at the bottom of page three and ends at the top of page four. I do not think that it will be necessary for you to omit more than one of the three alternatives indicated, but please feel free to use your judgement on this.

I should greatly appreciate your sending me a cable to the above address to advise me whether you find these pieces suitable for the purpose we discussed and whether you are going ahead and have them printed on the editorial page of The London Times in the near future.

I have written another piece, Part III, which deals with the situation that confronts Germany and I shall mail you a copy of it tomorrow. Should you think that you can use three pieces instead of just two, please feel free to use the third piece also.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

HOTEL DUPONT PLAZA
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Wednesday,
November 20, 1963

Col. Alun Gwynne Jones
The London Times
Printing House Square
London, E. C. 4

Dear Col. Jones:

Since Monday, when I mailed you Part I and Part II of the article in which you expressed an interest, I did a little ^{revision and} editing and enclosed you will find copies of these "edited" versions.

If you should find that you have to shorten Part I, I would suggest that you omit either the passage marked with a wavy red line on page three, or one of the two passages marked with a wavy red line on page four.

If you should find that you have to shorten Part II, I would suggest that you omit the passage marked with the wavy red line on page three, or omit the last line of page three together with the passage marked by a wavy red line on page four.

I shall mail to you later to-day Part III, which you might or might not wish to print.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard

HOTEL DUPONT PLAZA
WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 20, 1963

Col. Alun Gwynne Jones
The London Times
Printing House Square
London, E.C..4

Dear Colonel Gwynne Jones:

Enclosed you will find the third part of the article in which you expressed an interest. I mailed you earlier to-day the revised and edited versions of Part I and Part II.

If you find it necessary to shorten this article, I would suggest that you omit the passage marked by a red wavy line on page two or the passage marked by a red wavy line on page three, or both.

I should greatly appreciate your cabling me at your convenience to inform me which parts, if any, will appear in The London Times and about what time you would expect them to appear in print.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard

HOTEL DUPONT PLAZA
WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 21, 1963

Col. Alun Gwynne Jones
The London Times
Printing House Square
London, E.C. 4

Dear Colonel Gwynne Jones:

I expect to hear from you shortly as to whether you can use Part I and Part II of the article which I sent you, and if you can, whether you can also use Part III.

I send you yesterday a copy of Part III. In reading it over this morning, it occurred to me that the first paragraph on page four is not relevant even though it perhaps adds some colour to the article. If you were to use Part III, please feel free to delete this paragraph if you deem it advisable.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard

HOTEL DUPONT PLAZA
WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 27, 1963

Col. Alun Gwynne Jones
The London Times
Printing House Square
London, E.C. 4

Dear Colonel Gwynne Jones:

Since I last wrote you I revised Part II ~~and~~ Part III of my article and you will find enclosed the revised versions. When these reach you perhaps you would then be in a position to let me know whether Part I and Part II will be printed in The London Times, and if they will, whether there might be a chance that Part III would also be printed.

If you wish to shorten Part II, you might omit a passage on page 1, marked by a wavy red line, or the similarly marked passage on page 4, or both.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard

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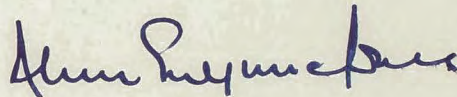
Dear Dr. Szilard,

I am most grateful to you for sending me your three articles on strategy which we discussed when I met you in London and for taking so much trouble to revise them and bring them up to date. I am sorry to have to say, however, that for various reasons including recent events which might be expected to have some impact eventually on American policy, the Editor has decided that he cannot make use of them. I am sorry for my own part that the decision has gone this way, as I personally found the articles extremely interesting and stimulating.

Perhaps you would let me know if you would like the drafts returned to you in due course. I much enjoyed meeting you in London. Your ideas have given me a great deal to think about.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



(Alun Gwynne Jones)

Dr. Leo Szilard,
Hotel Dupont Plaza,
Washington, D.C.

November 29, 1963

Col. Alun Gwynne Jones
The London Times
Printing House Square
London, E.C. 4

Dear Colonel Gwynne Jones:

Many thanks for your very kind letter of November 26th in which you advise me that The London Times cannot use my articles. I now propose to re-write the three pieces into one single piece of about five thousand words and I shall explore the possibility of having this article printed either in Encounter or in the New Statesman.

If the article is accepted for publication I would send you a copy and advise you of the publication date. Perhaps after the article appears in print you might wish to make some comments of your own about it in The London Times.

A few days ago, before I had your letter, I sent you revised versions of Parts II and III. There would be no point in your returning to me any of these drafts. Please keep them unless they clutter up your files.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard

December 10, 1963

Col. Alun Gwynne Jones
The London Times
Printing House Square
London, E.C.4

Dear Colonel Gwynne Jones:

I have re-written my paper in one piece and a copy of my manuscript is enclosed. If I should learn that the paper will be published somewhere in England and if I have the date of publication, I shall take the liberty of writing you.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Leo Szilard