

## No. 5

*Second Letter of the 23rd September from the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom to the Chancellor of the German Reich.*

I have received Your Excellency's communication in reply to my letter of this morning, and have taken note of its contents.

In my capacity as intermediary, it is evidently now my duty—since Your Excellency maintains entirely the position you took last night—to put your proposals before the Czechoslovak Government.

Accordingly, I request Your Excellency to be good enough to let me have a memorandum which sets out these proposals, together with a map showing the area proposed to be transferred, subject to the result of the proposed plebiscite.

On receiving this memorandum I will at once forward it to Prague and request the reply of the Czechoslovak Government at the earliest possible moment.

In the meantime, until I can receive their reply, I should be glad to have Your Excellency's assurance that you will continue to abide by the understanding, which we reached at our meeting on September 14th and again last night, that no action should be taken, particularly in Sudeten territories, by the forces of the Reich to prejudice any further mediation which may be found possible.

Since acceptance or refusal of Your Excellency's proposals is now a matter for the Czechoslovak Government to decide, I do not see that I can perform any further service here, while on the other hand it has become necessary that I should at once report the present situation to my colleagues and to the French Government. I propose therefore to return to England.

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No. 6

*Translation of memorandum delivered by the Chancellor of the German Reich to the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.*

September 23, 1938.

Reports which are increasing in number from hour to hour regarding incidents in Sudetenland show that the situation has become completely intolerable for the Sudeten German people and, in consequence, a danger to the peace of Europe. It is therefore essential that the separation of Sudetenland agreed to by Czechoslovakia should be effected without any further delay. On the attached map\* the Sudeten German area

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\*Map not yet available.