

is unpleasant to reflect that not only the peace but the freedom of Europe would be so seriously challenged in these days; and also that our efforts to preserve peace during the Balkan crisis of 1912-13 & the success of those efforts were taken by Germany & Austria as an indication that Britain would not fight

if challenged & that fear Britain would ~~not~~ stand aside whatever happened on the Continent even if the Belgian Treaty were violated.

Yours sincerely
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