

Finally, on February 11th and 12th, two days after the last-named bombardment, the Ambulance of the Egyptian Red Cross was bombed at Bulale. Five planes dropped eleven bombs on it during the first, and twenty-two during the second, bombardment. These bombs fell within five metres of the ambulance, which was also hit by machine-gune fire. It should be observed that the ambulance was flying not only the Egyptian flag but also the flags of the Red Cross and the Egyptian Red Crescent. The bombing of this Ambulance were thus deliberate.

These are the attacks made not only on the Ambulances of the Ethiopian Red Cross but also on those of the neutral countries which have come to the aid of Ethiopia under Article II of the Geneva Convention. The Ethiopian Red Cross would be failing in its duty if it did not register a formal protest against these savage violations of the immunity granted to the Red Cross, violations which have been deliberately and cynically organised and carried out in the most barbarous fashion.

Relying on the devotion and impartiality which have always characterised the International Red Cross Committee, the Ethiopian Red Cross requests you to convey to national sister societies its reply to the unjust attacks made upon it.

I have the honour, etc.

(Signed) Bélaton Gueta HERROUY,

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