Memo/Reply From
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TO:

Memorandum

Threat Perceptions and Politics

For too many years of longstanding (pun intended) interest to me, and I thank you for it.

I was started enough at the remarkable note on p. 168 (attacks) that I made some further inquiries. Telford Taylor in 'Memoirs' takes a more comprehensive picture, but is not willing to be so critical. Sloan's memoirs are self-critical, but still leave plenty of objective grounds for fear of the Luftwaffe. And you may be interested in Col. Levy's (professional) assessment which should be coupled with many accounts of Britain's lack of preparation for defense against air attack, so that unescorted bombers could still do heavy damage.

Sincerely,

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