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My dear Mr. Amery:

I regret very much that rapid travelling since I left Jerusalem, and the lack of a secretary, have thrown me behind in attention to my accumulated correspondence.

At the first opportunity I hasten to tell you how much I have appreciated your kind letter of 11th February and the prompt response to my appeal for a road to Megiddo in time for Mr. Rockefeller's visit. It is a great pleasure to report that under Sir John Chancellor's cordial and vigorous cooperation, the highway organization of the Palestine Government accomplished the almost impossible and had ready for us a rough but entirely passable road through a region which had been an impassable morass but a short time previously. Mr. Rockefeller enjoyed his visit at Megiddo very much, and deeply appreciated the rapid preparation of the road which made the visit possible.

He was also very much pleased with the site and plans, architectural and otherwise, for the new Palestine Museum at Jerusalem, in which he has great interest.

On behalf of the scientific work going on at Megiddo I want myself also to thank you very heartily for the new Haifa-Megiddo road. It will make the investigation of this great ancient ruin much more feasible than heretofore, and the new road in itself will, I am confident, contribute not a little, by the monuments which it is sure to bring forth, to the development of the new Palestine Museum.

Believe me, with all good wishes,

Very gratefully yours.

(Sgd.) James H. Breasted.

Right Honourable L.S. Amery.

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