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December 28th, 1927.

Dear Sirs,

As a member of the British House of Lords, I beg strongly to support the claims of Lt. General Sir Robert Baden-Powell, Bt., G.B.E., to be awarded the Nobel Prize of Peace for 1928. He is the founder in this country of the Boy Scouts' Association, which owes its inception entirely to his idealistic imagination. The Association has attained world-wide influence, and is largely represented in every civilised country and in many which are still in the transition state of development. It has been embraced by peoples of all creeds and colours, and there is no doubt that its effect in raising the moral standards of young people has been incalculable. Believing as he does that the worst education which teaches independence of character is better than the best that does not, he has made self-reliance and self-help the main purposes of the movement, but they have always been brought to serve the needs of humanity and loving kindness. I regard it at the present time as being one of the greatest organisations in the world for the betterment of human character and the advancement of social ideals.

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I beg to enclose a copy of the recommendation made by the
Boy Scouts' Association of Denmark, Norway and Sweden.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

Burkeham
J. Viscount

The Nobel Prize Committee,
Norwegian Storting,
Oslo, Norway.