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Standard London Correspondent

LONDON, Tues.—The debate on Jenderam continues in the columns of the Manchester Guardian with a letter this morning replying to Mr. McHugh's statements rebutting last week's Guardian editorial criticising Jenderam action.

"The remarks about the Jenderam case by Mr. McHugh, the Director of Information, Federation of Malaya, are disturbing. He says that to compare the forced evacuation of the people of Jenderam with Nazi action at Lidice is nonsensical.

"It is true that nobody was killed by the police at Jenderam. But Mr. McHugh does not deny that the whole township was blotted out by British police; that the inhabitants—guilty and innocent—were carted off for over 100 miles; that their houses were destroyed and immovable goods sold.

"Jenderam had only 1,500 inhabitants. But is it right to blot out even a small township because misdeeds have been committed there? Where do we stop?

"If a town of 1,500 can be used in this way why not a great city?

"It is strange that no English newspaper except the Man-

chester Guardian has mentioned the affair.”

The letter was signed by “Observer”.

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