

TRUMPINGTON BOY



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22nd May, 1981

Thank you so much for your letter of 21st May.

Your letter is deeply disturbing, and confirms other reports, of a similar kind, which I have received.

Thank you very much for having taken the trouble to write. Such corrective action as we are able to take, we will take.

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21st May, 1981.

Dear Mr. Jon —

I am Orr-Ewing suggested I should write to you —

Last week I was staying with Victor + Tess Rothschild, and the reason I have marked this letter confidential is that I am repeating a conversation I had with them —

They told me that they had recently met Rupert Murdoch who had said how appalled he was by the lack of British propoganda in the U.S.A. to put our point of view & counter the well-organised efforts of the I.R.A.

Knowing how difficult this situation is — it occurred to me to suggest that the Prime Minister might arrange a meeting with Mr. Murdoch & ask him to use his best efforts in that direction. After all he does own a NYC newspaper — & he of all people must have the necessary media contacts in America upon which

he could use his influence -

I hope this is a helpful suggestion.

Yours sincerely,

Jean Thompson