

STATEMENT OF POPE PIUS XII IN AUDIENCE TO PRIME MINISTER WINSTON CHURCHILL,
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Home (JPS) — Recognition of the justice of punishing war criminals was expressed by Pope Pius XII to Prime Minister Winston Churchill during a forty-five minute audience, Vatican sources report. The Pope was said to have expressed the hope that punishment of war criminals would not be extended to the people of Italy, who, he suggested, should be made full allies with the rest of the United Nations.