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38 OXLEY ROAD

I have discussed this with my family many a time. They agreed with me that 38 Oxley Road should not be kept as a kind of relic for people to tramp through. Take photos of it or whatever else they want, but demolish it after I am gone.

I have seen too many places which are kept frozen in time. My most vivid memory is that of Nehru's final home, that of the British Naval Commander of the Indian Ocean fleet in New Delhi. It was once a grand building. Kept as a monument with people tramping in and out, it became shabby. It is not worth the restoration, unless they restore it just for people to look at it.

38 Oxley Road has no merit as architecture. So please respect my wish to have it demolished when I am no longer around.

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