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Mrs LIZ CUNNINGHAM (Gladstone—IND) (4.54 p.m.): At the end of World War I, most people would have thought that man's inhumanity to man had reached its lowest depth, but we have seen a progression of that harm through the Second World War, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. Now we see it in localised conflicts. We are brought closer to the action by the media. We do not just see the newsreels that show combat, which it is easy to disassociate oneself from; now we see women and children who have been murdered, tortured and harmed. We can relate to them so closely because of our own families.

I am sure that everybody here in this House would support all groups, Amnesty and others, that are providing support, encouragement and life to those who are affected. I lend the support of all of us in the back seats of the Chamber to this motion. I commend Amnesty for its work.
