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"Exploding the Myths of Modern Architecture demolishes the the belief system of the modern movement as ruthlessly as if he were dynamiting a redundant tower block." *Halifax Evening Courier*

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