

Dear Press Recognition Panel

I understand that you want to know what the public think about the present state of press regulation and if it meets Leveson's criteria.

My understanding is that we have IMPRESS and IPSO.

IMPRESS seems to me to be what Leveson wanted, but most of the newspapers have not joined it. IPSO is just the old Press Complaints Council rehashed. It seems that the newspapers are not interested in an independent system but wish to carry on in the same old way.

The Government does not seem to want to bring in Section 40 of the Crime and Courts Act, despite it being voted on and passed by Parliament, so it seems to be siding with the newspapers.

The newspapers have had too many "last chance saloons" and should be forced to comply completely with Leveson and the Government should bring Section 40 into effect immediately.