

You will be shortly be advising Parliament the current status of Press Regulation.

I am a concerned member of the public appalled at the previous behaviour of the British Press over decades, and the failure of our political and legal systems to stop the many abuses against countless innocent members of the public by our national newspapers in particular.

The Levenson Report was clear that effective independent regulation of the British Press was necessary to require the fullest compliance with the criminal and civil law. This is clearly not the case to date, and I ask you to remind Parliament as part of your deliberations that Levenson specifically recommended effective independent regulation with teeth, and that they, Parliament, should make it happen as soon as possible.

It is quite disgraceful that our Government is blocking a law passed by Parliament as long ago as 2013, created to give victims access to justice for libel or press intrusion into their lives. This law guarantees such a remedy and must be completed to ensure natural justice for the citizen where abuse occurs.

Thank you for your attention.

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