

Subject: RE: CO/140/2017 - Application for Judicial Review re: Decision of the Press Recognition Panel dated 25 October 2016
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Dear Sirs,

Thank you for your letter of 23 May 2017 inviting us to consent to the NMA's proposed application for an indefinite stay in the proceedings.

We are not prepared to consent to an order in those terms. If your clients wish to continue to challenge the PRP's decision to recognise IMPRESS then there are overwhelming reasons for that matter to be determined now. It is important that there is no continuing doubt as to whether the PRP's decision to recognise IMPRESS was lawful or not.

Regardless of whether or not section 40 of the Crime and Courts Act 2013 is brought into force, or repealed, section 34 of the Act is already in force. It provides that (subject to exceptions) no award of exemplary damages may be made against a member of an approved regulator. A lengthy period of uncertainty is therefore inappropriate. Further, the PRP Board considers that it has acted lawfully. But the Board considers that it is in the public interest that if it has made an unlawful decision, this is promptly determined by the Court, so that it can reconsider its decision according to law. There should be no continuing uncertainty for the PRP or for IMPRESS. The possibility of an incoming government repealing section 40 is therefore not a proper reason to delay that decision.

We understand that the possibility of section 40 being brought into force or repealed is a matter of interest to your clients. If your clients wish to withdraw proceedings we would of course be willing to consider terms for them to do so, and would invite your clients to do this sooner rather than later to avoid unnecessary costs mounting up.

Yours faithfully,

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We attach a letter.

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