

Dear Sirs

As a parliamentarian who has spoken in the debates in the Lords on press regulation and as someone who gave evidence to Lord Justice Leveson, I am deeply concerned about the failure of the press to accept the Leveson recommendations, and in particular their refusal to join a recognised regulator. My family are hopeful that IMPRESS will be recognised soon, and that this will be a game changer.

Also we hope that the Press Recognition Panel will recommend that government will take the needed action to commence Section 40 of the Crime and Courts Act as soon as possible. It does seem that government is going back on commitments it made after the Leveson report was published.

We expect you to remind Parliament what the Leveson Report recommended so strongly.

The Judge said and I quote: ***"I cannot, and will not, recommend another last chance saloon for the press" , and yet this is exactly what IPSO seems to be.***

Yours sincerely

Sheila Hollins

Professor the Baroness Hollins