

Dear Sirs,

As we debate the most important issue in many years, BREXIT, the press continues to dream up lies to woo people towards voting Leave or Remain according to the wishes of their proprietors. While less emotive than hacking Milly Dowler's phone, the BREXIT issue is so important to the nation's future that only the full truth is acceptable. Meanwhile the so called self regulator occasionally, after an excessively long wait, issues a mild rap on the knuckles to some of the very worst offenders.

Let's remember Lord Justice Leveson's words.

1. "if some or all of the industry are not willing to participate in effective independent regulation, my own concluded view is to reject the notion that they should escape regulation altogether. I cannot, and will not, recommend another last chance saloon for the press. With some measure of regret, therefore, I am driven to conclude that the Government should be ready to consider the need for a statutory backstop regulator being established, to ensure, at the least, that the press are subject to regulation that would require the fullest compliance with the criminal and civil law, if not also to ensure consequences equivalent to those that would flow from an independent self-regulatory system."
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I support the view that statutory regulation is needed if the likes of Murdoch, the Berkeley brothers and others are not to remain above the law. Please recommend this to Parliament and reluctant ministers.

Yours faithfully,

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