

I am writing to you to express my very firm view that nothing has changed since the Leveson report was written. There remains a serious need for independent regulation of the press as the report recommended.

It is quite clear that some newspapers are using their considerable power and influence to frustrate the aims of the Leveson report and it is also clear that many politicians are not showing the necessary intent to implement them. It is a frightening thought that even a Prime Minister can be frightened enough not to confront the newspaper industry and insist on these wise and necessary reforms.

This country went to the time, trouble and expense to hold the Leveson Enquiry and the recommendations were accepted by all except the powerful press barons. There is no logical reason or change in circumstances that can justify not implementing them in full.

The press have had plenty of chances to properly regulate themselves, as Leveson noted, but it is clear to me that they have shown, over many years, that they cannot be trusted to do so effectively.

Like everyone else, they must be made to obey the law of the land.

I am grateful to you for this opportunity to express my considered and sincere opinion and wish you well with your consultation.

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