

Dear Members of the Panel

The PRP should take the opportunity of its report to remind Parliament that action is needed if publishers did not voluntarily get their house in order. Unsurprisingly, Press regulation in the UK has been a failure as most key publishers have decided to stay outside the recognised system.

The Government now needs to establish a statutory backstop regulator to ensure that the Press are subject to regulation requiring the fullest compliance with Criminal and Civil Law.

I urge the PRP to recommend to Parliament and the Government that section 40 be implemented as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

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