



From the Chairman

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Dear Sir Graeme,

Thank you for your letter of 28th September.

I can well understand why you are concerned about this. It looks like shabby behaviour on the part of the newspaper. It is rare in my experience for papers to breach embargos.

I should point out that the Press Complaints Commission administers a 16-Clause Code of Practice, primarily designed to protect the individual, which deals with issues such as accuracy and privacy. The Code does not directly cover the issue of embargo-breaching. For that reason, it would be hard for us to take any formal action against the newspaper.

That said, I would certainly recommend that you contact the editor and ask him to explain the breach of the embargo. By all means copy your letter to me and let me know how he responds.

With kind regards.

*Yours sincerely
Christopher Meyer*

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