

PRESS COMPLAINTS COMMISSION

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*From the Chairman*

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*Dear Captain Peaty,*

Thank you for your letter of 26<sup>th</sup> May.

I am afraid this has nothing to do with bulldogs, toothless or otherwise. Our remit is to regulate editorial content and the way news is gathered. I hope you will understand that this has nothing to do with the refund of posting and packaging costs associated with returned goods, advertised by a newspaper.

You may be interested to know that self-regulation of the press has already been considered at the political level and has been endorsed by the Government, the Conservative Party and the House of Commons Select Committee on Culture, Media and Sport. This is because the PCC is far from being a "cosy, enclosed shop" as you allege. To the contrary, the Commission comprises a majority of publicly appointed Commissioners from all walks of life and a permanent staff who have never worked in the newspaper and magazine industry.

*Yours sincerely,  
Christopher Meyer*

**Sir Christopher Meyer**

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