



ASSOCIATION OF  
CHIEF POLICE OFFICERS

Lord Justice Leveson

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Dear Sir

During evidence I gave to the Leveson Inquiry on Wednesday 28 March I referred to work being progressed through the Association of Chief Police Officers to provide a response on behalf of the police service to Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary report *Without Fear or Favour*. In addition, the police service has now considered the findings of Dame Elizabeth Filkin, who was commissioned to review relationships between the Metropolitan Police Service and the media.

I have pleasure in attaching interim guidance for the police service on relationships with the media, which has now been presented and agreed through Chief Constables' Council. This guidance forms an important part of the police service's response to these issues, alongside accompanying work on integrity issues led by Chief Constable Mike Cunningham.

We are mindful that your inquiry may in due course have recommendations to make which would impact on these issues, and with this in mind this guidance remains firmly interim. We would be very pleased to receive and take account of further recommendations for the future.

Yours sincerely



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