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Baroness Buscombe starts at PCC

Baroness Buscombe has today started her three year term as Chairman of the Press Complaints Commission. She said:

"It is clear that there are a number of significant issues facing the PCC at the moment, which I look forward to tackling. They include the evolving relationship between self-regulation and the law; the impact of the expansion of newspaper products online such as Sun Talk; the forthcoming Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee report; and how certain European directives will be implemented. But the priority in my first few weeks as Chairman will be to listen: to those who use the PCC, to find out what they think of our service and how it can be improved; and to people in all parts of the industry - magazines, regional and local press, and newspapers in all corners of the UK. I will shortly be going to Manchester, Edinburgh, Farnham, and Dundee to start this process, which will continue into the summer and beyond".

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