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**CITY SLICKERS: PCC REJECTS CALL TO REOPEN INVESTIGATION BUT CRITICISES MGN FOR PARTIAL SUBMISSION IN 2000**

The PCC today publishes a report, which appears in summary form below, following a request to revisit its 2000 investigation into share dealings at the Daily Mirror. The Commission had received an allegation that MGN directors conspired to present false evidence to the Commission for the purposes of protecting the then editor of the Daily Mirror, Piers Morgan, and minimising any criticism that the Commission made of the newspaper.

The Commission has not found evidence to support these allegations. However, it has criticised MGN for not revealing the true extent of Mr Morgan's Viglen share purchase in 2000, and for not coming forward in late 2005, when the correct figure emerged during the trial of James Hipwell, to explain why it had pursued this course.

To read the full report, [click here](#)

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