Jeremy Hunt Statement

*Question 1: Who you are and a brief summary of your career history.*

1. I am the Secretary of State for Culture, Olympics, Media, and Sport, a position I have held since 11 May 2010. Prior to this I was the Shadow Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport responsible for Conservative Party policy on media issues. I have been a Member of Parliament since the 2005 General Election and before that founded and ran an educational publishing business.

2. As Secretary of State, I am the Cabinet Minister responsible for the London 2012 Olympics. Apart from this, my key policy priorities have been the roll out of superfast

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greater scrutiny over the relationships between newspapers and politicians. However, I do not think that this means that there should be impartiality requirements in newspaper reporting as to do so would undermine the important principle of freedom of expression and plurality – and I do not believe that anyone would argue for this.

94. We also need to find a way to continue to preserve a free and vibrant press as the industry continues to diversify across a range of media platforms.

I believe that the facts stated in this statement are true.

**Jeremy Hunt**
**Secretary of State for Culture, Olympics, Media and Sport**