

News Corporation
K.R. Murdoch
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"KRM34"
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**IN THE MATTER OF THE LEVESON INQUIRY INTO THE CULTURE, PRACTICES AND ETHICS
OF THE PRESS**

EXHIBIT "KRM34"

This is the exhibit marked "KRM34" referred to in the witness statement of Keith Rupert Murdoch dated the 12th day of April 2012.

**SUBJECTS ON WHICH POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT HAS TAKEN PLACE AND
NAMES OF CONTACTS FROM 2009 TO DATE**

Date	Subject	Interest	Contact(s)
2008/2009	Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee inquiry into Press Standards, Privacy and Libel	All issues under consideration had either a direct impact on NI's reputation or the newspaper industry's freedom to publish.	John Whittingdale MP, Chairman, CMS Committee Philip Davies MP Adam Price MP Paul Farrelly MP Helen Southworth MP Mr Mike Hall MP
2009/2010	Digital Economy Act Implementation	Several measures in the Act including proposals to stop P2P filesharing impact heavily on News Corporation's commercial operations.	Louise Bagshawe MP Lord Clement-Jones Don Foster MP Jon Zeff, Director of Media, DCMS Mike Weatherly MP Derek Wyatt MP Adam Smith, Special Adviser, DCMS Rohan Silva, Senior Adviser, Prime Minister's Office Ivan Lewis MP, Shadow Spokesperson for DCMS Michael Woodman, official, BIS Nick Butler, Senior Adviser, Prime Minister's Office Chris Marshall, official, BIS
2009/2010	Climate Change / Carbon Reduction Strategy	Reforms impact heavily on business and on long-term green investors. News Corporation subsidiaries are also committed to pursuing carbon-neutral strategies.	Catherine McLeod, Special Adviser, HM Treasury James Murdoch lunch with Chancellor Darling and other UK CEOs James Murdoch / Ed Miliband MP, Secretary of State, DECC Polly Billington, Special Adviser, DECC Roundtable with Ed Miliband on Climate Change Campaigning Greg Barker MP

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2009 - 2011	Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee inquiry on Press Standards, Privacy and Libel	All issues under consideration had either a direct impact on NI's reputation or the newspaper industry's freedom to publish.	John Whittingdale MP, Chairman Phil Davies MP Louise Bagshawe MP Teresa Coffey MP
2010/2011	Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee inquiry into BBC Strategy Review	Specific interest in oversight of the BBC's operations by the BBC Trust, in particular the deployment of the Public Value Test when launching new services.	John Whittingdale MP, Chairman, CMS Committee Damian Collins MP Teresa Coffey MP Phil Davies MP
2010/2011	Climate Change / Carbon Reduction Strategy	Reforms impact heavily on business and on long-term green investors. News Corporation subsidiaries are also committed to pursuing carbon-neutral strategies.	James Murdoch / Chris Huhne MP, Secretary of State, DECC Greg Barker MP, Minister, DECC News Corporation Global Energy Initiative Launch – James Murdoch and Chris Huhne
2010/2011	FARSI Channel – Middle-East	Wide range of interests including channel interference and attempts to jam FARSI's broadcasts.	James Murdoch / David Miliband MP, Secretary of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office FCO, Middle-East team Jeremy Browne MP, Minister, Foreign and Commonwealth Office
2010/2011	India/UK Trade Relationship	Fostering bi-lateral relations on climate change initiatives and the creative industries.	UK Trade Mission to India with Prime Minister (February 2010) Liaising with the Prime Minister's office on the UK Trade Mission
2010/2011	NI's response to Proposals for Reform of Civil Litigation Funding and Costs in England and Wales	Reform of civil litigation costs, in particular Conditional Fee Agreements, has a direct commercial impact on NI.	Ken Clarke MP, Secretary of State for Justice
2010/2011	Bribery Act Implementation –	The lack of a public interest defence for	

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	NI letter to Bribery Act Implementation Team at the Ministry of Justice regarding guidance for commercial organisations	journalists in the Bribery Act was of concern to both NI and the wider media industry.	
2010/2011	NI's response to consultation on the Draft Legal Deposit Libraries (Non-print Publications) Regulations 2011	Legal deposit requirements for both print and digital have a direct operational impact on NI.	Michel Woodman, official, BIS Chris Marshall, official, BIS Darren Grubb, official, DCMS
2010/2011	VAT on newspapers	The zero-rating on printed newspapers and current full rate of VAT on digital newspapers has a direct commercial impact on NI.	Rupert Harrison, Senior Adviser, HMT Ed Vaizey MP, Minister, DCMS
October 2010	Libel reform	Updating and reform of all aspects of UK libel legislation impact heavily on the newspaper industry's freedom to publish.	Ken Clarke MP, Secretary of State for Justice
Late 2010	Net neutrality	Net neutrality is a complex issue with a direct impact on News Corporation's ability to make content available online.	Rohan Silva, Prime Minister's Office Adam Smith, Office of Secretary of State Jeremy Hunt MP, DCMS
Late 2010/early 2011	BIS Growth Review	The content and media industries are major drivers for UK economic growth over the coming decade.	Giles Wilkes, Office of the Secretary of State, BIS
2011	Hargreaves Review implementation	The UK copyright framework's ability to ensure the regulatory environment promotes content creation and investment is profoundly important across all News Corporation's businesses.	Rohan Silva, Prime Minister's Office Tim Colbourne, Deputy Prime Minister's Office Giles Wilkes, Office of Secretary of State Vince Cable MP, BIS Adam Smith, Office of Secretary of State Jeremy Hunt MP, DCMS Ed Vaizey MP, Minister, DCMS

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			Adrian Brazier, official, BIS Don Foster MP Ivan Lewis MP, Shadow DCMS Spokeperson Rupert Harrison, Senior Adviser, HM Treasury John Whittingdale, MP, Chairman, CMS Committee John Alty, Intellectual Property Office Nick Munn, Intellectual Property Office Campbell Cowie, director, Ofcom Jeremy Olivier, Ofcom Kristina Glushkova, Ofcom
2011	Big Society campaign	Broad discussions around the US model of active citizenship.	Steve Hilton, Prime Minister's Office
2011	UKCIS and child safety	News Corporation works closely with government and industry to ensure children are protected online.	Tim Loughton MP, Minister, DCSF Judith Grant, official, DCSF David Tate, official, DCSF Simon Watkin, Tim Wright and Justin Millar, officials, Home Office Steve Ruddell, official, Ministry of Justice
2011	Data protection	Data protection regulations impact News Corporation both commercially and operationally, and in its relationships with its customers.	Rupert Marsh, official, BIS Simon Miller, official, BIS Dave Evans, official, Intellectual Property Office
2011	Defence / security	Update on strategic challenges	JRM meeting with Liam Fox MP, Secretary of State for Defence,
January 2011 / June 2011	Ireland	NI publishes several titles in Ireland and has a general interest in how the regulatory framework is evolving under the new government.	Meetings with Taoiseach Enda Kenny TD

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March 2011	Digital innovation	News Corporation has a strong track record in digital innovation as a result of its investments in the area.	Jonny Oates, Chief of Staff, Deputy Prime-Minister's Office, Cabinet Office
March 2011	News Corporation submission to Hargreaves Review on Intellectual Property and Growth	The UK copyright framework's ability to ensure the regulatory environment promotes content creation and investment is profoundly important across all News Corporation's businesses.	News Corporation Roundtable with JRM, Professor Hargreaves and Robin Webb, IPO
May 2011	News Corporation's response to consultation on the draft Defamation Bill	News Corporation businesses have a wider interest in freedom of expression legislation in the UK.	
May 2011	UCL lecture by James Murdoch on Intellectual Property	Broader discussion of ideas expressed in James' speech.	Matthew Hancock MP Nick Boles MP Adam Smith DCMS
June 2011	News Corporation response to the Communications Review for the Digital Age	The forthcoming Communications Bill is of central importance to the broad regulatory environment in which News Corporation will be operating over the coming years.	Don Foster MP Adam Smith, Office of Secretary of State Jeremy Hunt MP, DCMS Ivan Lewis MP, Shadow Spokeperson, DCMS
September 2011	News Corporation submission to Business, Innovation and Skills Committee inquiry on Hargreaves Review of Intellectual Property	The UK copyright framework's ability to ensure the regulatory environment promotes content creation and investment is profoundly important across all News Corporation's businesses.	
November 2011	News Corporation submission to Ofcom invitation to comment on measuring plurality across media	Proposals for the measurement and regulation of media plurality are directly relevant to News Corporation's activities as	Lord Fowler, Chairman, Lords Communication Committee

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		a media owner.	
January 2012	News Corporation submission to Culture, Media and Sport Committee consultation on media plurality	Proposals for the measurement and regulation of media plurality are directly relevant to News Corporation's activities as a media owner.	
February 2012	News Corporation submission to Digital Copyright Exchange feasibility study: call for evidence	The Digital Copyright Exchange is a significant proposal in the UK's evolving copyright framework and is of interest across the business.	Richard Hooper, project lead Ros Lynch, secretariat, IPO
March 2012	News Corporation submission to IPO consultation on copyright	The UK copyright framework's ability to ensure the regulatory environment promotes content creation and investment is profoundly important across all News Corporation's businesses.	