

**IN THE MATTER OF THE LEVESON INQUIRY INTO THE CULTURE, PRACTICES  
AND ETHICS OF THE PRESS**

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**EXHIBIT SJM1 TO THE WITNESS STATEMENT**

**OF SIR JOHN MAJOR KG, CH, PC**

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**Table of Meetings and Hospitality Received and Provided to Media Proprietors and Senior Editors**  
**from November 1990 to April 1997\***

Name, Position and Organisation	Press/ Specific Meeting at No 10	Press drinks/ breakfast at No 10	Hospitality by PM	Hospitality Received
<b>Bruce Anderson</b> Political Editor of <b>The Spectator</b>	20 December 1991 + Mr O'Donnell.  2 October 1992.  7 December 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.			
<b>Frank Johnson</b> Editor of <b>The Spectator (1995-1999)</b>			3 December 1995: Luncheon at Chequers	
<b>Petronella Wyatt</b> Assistant Editor <b>The Spectator</b>			3 December 1995: Luncheon at Chequers	
<b>Conrad Black</b> owner of <b>The Telegraph Group (1985-2004)</b>	2 January 1992 + Mr O'Donnell.  29 June 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.  29 September 1993: "George Will (friend of Conrad Black)"  28 November 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.  6 February 1997 with Charles Moore.		3 December 1995: Luncheon at Chequers	16 December 1991 "Look in on Daily Telegraph party – Brooke's Club".
<b>Barbara Amiel</b> Columnist <b>Daily Telegraph (1994-2001)</b> and, <b>The Times</b> and <b>Sunday Times (1986-</b>	2 January 1992			

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<b>1994)</b>				
<b>Max Hastings Editor and Editor in Chief of The Telegraph (1986-1996) and The Evening Standard (1996-2001)</b>		22 May 1994: Press drinks : Mr Meyer		15 October 1992: "Dinner with Max Hastings and Conrad Black (DT) + Mr O'Donnell Brooks', St James".
<b>George Jones Political Editor of the Daily Telegraph</b>	21 December 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.		3 December 1995: Luncheon at Chequers	3 January 1991 – "Dinner to celebrate wedding of George Jones"
<b>Charles Moore Editor of The Telegraph (1995-2003)</b>	6 February 1997 with Conrad Black.		3 December 1995: Luncheon at Chequers	
<b>Trevor Grove Editor Sunday Telegraph (1989-1992)</b>				5 February 1992: "Lunch with Trevor Grove of Sunday Telegraph + Mr O'Donnell and Mrs Hogg - Savoy."
<b>Boris Johnson, Assistant Editor, The Telegraph (1994-1995).</b>			3 December 1995: Luncheon at Chequers	
<b>David Wastell, Political Editor, Sunday Telegraph</b>			3 December 1995: Luncheon at Chequers	
<b>Matthew d'Ancona, Deputy Editor Comment, Sunday Telegraph</b>			3 December 1995: Luncheon at Chequers	
<b>Rupert Murdoch Owner of News Corporation</b>	14 May 1992 + Mr O'Donnell. 19 August 1993		2 February 1997: "Host private supper +Mrs Major [Mr and Mrs Rupert Murdoch]".	
<b>Simon Jenkins Editor of The Times (1990-1992) Columnist for The Times (1992- present)</b>	19 July 1993 + Mr O'Donnell. 27 September 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.			

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	27 May 1994 + Mr Meyer.			
<b>Peter Riddell</b> Assistant Editor of <b>The Times (1991- present)</b> , Political Commentator for the <b>Times (1991-2010)</b>	19 April 1993 "+ Mr O'Donnell and Mr Morris?"  28 September 1994 + Mr Meyer.			
<b>Peter Stothard</b> Editor of <b>The Times</b> and	10 November 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.  12 January 1995 + Mr Meyer.			
<b>Lesley White</b> Columnist of <b>The Times</b>	17 April 1996 with J Haslam. 26 June 1996.			
<b>John Witherow</b> , Editor <b>The Sunday Times (1994 to present)</b>				5 January 1995: "Drink with John Witherow (Editor, The Sunday Times).
<b>Andrew Neil</b> Editor of <b>The Sunday Times (1984- 1994)</b>		15 January 1992: "Breakfast in flat with Andrew Neil (Sunday Times) + Mr O'Donnell.		17 December 1991: "Look in on Sunday Times drinks (V & A, Cromwell Road)".
<b>Andrew Grice</b> Political Editor <b>The Sunday Times (1988-1994)</b>	4 February 1994.			
<b>Kelvin McKenzie</b> Editor of <b>The Sun (1981-1994)</b>	27 September 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.	16 January 1991: Press breakfast also with Simon Walters (Political Editor of the Sun) + Mr O'Donnell.		
<b>Stuart Higgins</b> Editor of <b>The Sun (1994-1998)</b>	18 May 1994 + Mr Meyer.	9 January 1997 with Trevor Kavanagh + Chris Meyer.		5 January 1995: "Lunch with Stuart Higgins (Editor, The Sun)" + Mr Haslam.  3 March 1997: "Press lunch

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				(The Sun), 1 Virginia Street, E1 + Mr Haslam."
<b>Trevor Kavanagh Political Editor of The Sun (1983-2005)</b>		23 May 1991: "Press Breakfast + Mr O'Donnell."  9 January 1997 with Stuart Higgins and Chris Meyer.		
<b>Paul Dacre Editor of The Evening Standard (1991-1992) and The Daily Mail (1992 – to present)</b>	21 July 1992 + Mr O'Donnell.  7 October 1994 + Mr Meyer.	5 March 1997 Press drinks + Mr Haslam.	7 September 1993: "Lunch in study with Paul Dacre, Editor of Daily Mail."	22 January 1992: "Lunch at Daily Mail + Mr O'Donnell (Northcliffe House, 2 Derry Street, Kensington)".
<b>Sir David English Editor of The Daily Mail, Chairman and Editor-in-Chief of Associated Newspapers (1971-1991)</b>	15 February 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.  6 December 1993.  4 May 1994.  19 October 1994: "Meet Sir David English, Bill Pressey and Gray [Guy] Zitter Joint MDs of the Daily Mail, Hamish Webb and Tony Wall – Futureworld designer".  23 May 1995 + Mr Meyer	19 December 1990 – Press breakfast also with Gordon Grieg (Political Editor of the Daily Mail) + Mr O'Donnell  19 June 1991: Press Breakfast, also with Gordon Greig (Political Editor of the Daily Mail) + Mr Turnbull, Mr O'Donnell.  13 December 1991: Press breakfast also with 'Ronnie Harwood' + Mr O'Donnell + Mrs Hogg + Mr Turnbull.		2 May 1992: "Reception before Sir David English's Dinner to celebrate 21 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the new Daily Mail + Mrs Major and Mr O'Donnell – Grosvenor House".  [From Sir John Major's Autobiography: Dinner with Sir David English and Lord Rothermere prior to the General Election.]
<b>Jonathan Holborow Editor Mail on Sunday (1992-1998)</b>	21 December 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.  7 October 1994 + Mr Meyer.	21 November 1996 + Mr Haslam.		
<b>Lord David Stevens owner Express</b>	18 November 1992 + Mr O'Donnell.			18 March 1992: "Arrive Daily Star Gold Star Luncheon and

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<p><b>Newspapers</b></p>	<p>11 November 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.</p>			<p>Awards. Introduced by Lord Stevens. Speak. Awards Ceremony. "</p> <p>18 January 1993: "Lady Stevens' birthday party (Lounge suit) 22 Cheyne Gardens SW3".</p> <p>18 January 1994: "Lady (Meriza) Stevens' Birthday Party (22 Cheyne Gardens, SW3)".</p> <p>4 February 1996: "Private Supper + Mrs Major (Lord and Lady Stevens).</p>
<p><b>Sir Nicholas Lloyd Editor Daily Express (1986-1995)</b></p>	<p>27 February 1993 with Eve Pollard.</p> <p>19 November 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.</p> <p>7 June 1995 + Mr Meyer.</p>	<p>12 December 1990 – Press breakfast also with Eve Pollard and Will Stewart (Political Editor) of the Daily Express.</p>		<p>15 June 1992: "Look in on Sir Nicholas Lloyd's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday party + Mr O'Donnell (Daily Express)".</p> <p>21 June 1994: "Dinner with Sir Nicholas and Lady Lloyd + Mrs Major (4 Park Hill Road, Belsize Park)".</p> <p>5 June 1995: "Party for Eve Pollard, The Ivy, Covent Garden".</p> <p>14 April 1996: " Supper with</p>

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				Sir Nicholas and Lady Lloyd (Eve Pollard) + Mrs Major."
<b>Chris Buckland Assistant Editor Daily Express (1989-1995)</b>				
<b>Richard Addis Editor of Daily Express (1995-1998)</b>	30 January 1996 with J Haslam.			
<b>Jean Rook Columnist Daily Express (1971-1991)</b>			3 February 1991: Guest at Buffet Luncheon given by Mr & Mrs J Major.	
<b>Robin Morgan Editor of the Sunday Express (1989-1993)</b>		3 January 1991: Press breakfast with Tony Smith (also of the Sunday Express) + Mr Turnbull and Mr O'Donnell.		
<b>Eve Pollard Editor Sunday Mirror (1988-1990) and the Sunday Express (1991-1994)</b>	27 February 1993 with N Lloyd.  1 October 1993 also with Charles Lewington + Mr O'Donnell.  25 February 1994 and Charles Lewington.	12 December 1990 – Press breakfast also with Nick Lloyd and Will Stewart (Political Editor) of the Daily Express.		21 June 1994: "Dinner with Sir Nicholas and Lady Lloyd + Mrs Major (4 Park Hill Road, Belsize Park)".  5 June 1995: "Party for Eve Pollard, The Ivy, Covent Garden".
<b>Charles Lewington Political Editor of the Sunday Express</b>	1 October 1993 also with Eve Pollard  25 February 1994 with Eve Pollard.			

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<b>Sue Douglas</b> Editor of the <b>Sunday Express (1995-1997)</b>				
<b>Brian Hitchen</b> Editor of the <b>Daily Star (1987-1994)</b> and Editor of the <b>Sunday Express (1994-1995)</b>	<p>2 March 1992 + Mr O'Donnell.</p> <p>28 April 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.</p> <p>13 December 1993 also with Sue Tinson (ITN) + Mr O'Donnell.</p> <p>2 February 1995 + Mr Meyer.</p> <p>22 May 1995 + Mr Meyer.</p> <p>23 April 1996 with J Haslam.</p>	<p>19 May 1994: Press drinks + Mr Meyer</p>		<p>21 March 1991: Daily Star surprise party for Editor Brian Hitchen + Mr O'Donnell. Ludgate House, SE 1."</p>
<b>Phil Walker</b> , Editor <b>Daily Star (1994—1998)</b>	10 January 1995 + Mr Meyer			
<b>Stewart Stevens</b> Editor of <b>The Evening Standard (1992-1995)</b>	7 June 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.	<p>14 October 1992: Press breakfast + Mr O'Donnell.</p> <p>21 April 1994: Press drinks + Mr Meyer.</p>		
<b>Robert Maxwell</b> Owner of <b>Mirror Group</b>	21 August 1991 – call from Mr Maxwell.			
<b>Andrew Marr</b> Editor of the <b>Independent (1996-1998)</b> and Political Correspondent for the <b>Independent (1986 – 1996)</b>	2 March 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.			
<b>Financial Times</b>	29 September 1993: " Press		2 March 1997: "Host Press	20 January 1993: "Lunch with



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	meeting + Mr O'Donnell (Joe Rogaly, Financial Times).		Dinner (Financial Times) +DPM, Mr Blackwell and Mr Haslam."	Editor and senior staff of Financial Times + Mr O'Donnell, 1 Southwark Bridge".
<b>The Guardian</b>				19 May 1993: "Lunch with the Guardian + Mr O'Donnell".
<b>Hugo Young Senior Political Commentator, The Guardian (1984-2003)</b>	1 November 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.			
<b>The Economist</b>				16 June 1993: "Lunch with the Economist "+ GO (St James's Street)".
<b>Lord Woodrow Wyatt Columnist News of the World</b>	19 January 1993 + Mr Hill. 20 October 1993 + Mr O'Donnell.	17 April 1994: Press drinks		
<b>Sir David Nicholson Deputy Editor ITN</b>				3 February 1992: "Lunch with Sir David Nicholas at ITN + Mr O'Donnell."  12 October 1994: "ITN Reception."
<b>Sue Tinson Associate Editor ITN</b>	13 December 1993 – with Brian Hitchen + Mr O'Donnell.  11 January 1994 + Mr O'Donnell.  13 October 1994.  21 September 1995.			

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<b>John Birt BBC Deputy Director General of the BBC (1987-1992) and Director General of the BBC (1992-2000)</b>				<p>13 November 1991: " BBC lunch + MR O'Donnell and Mr Turnball."</p> <p>11 December 1991: "John Birt, BBC – Christmas Drinks."</p>
<b>Malcolm Allsop Director of Programmes Anglia TV</b>				<p>26 April 1992: "Arrive at The Haycock, Wansford for lunch with Malcolm Allsopp (Anglia TV)+ Mrs Major".</p>
<b>"Regional Newspapers Editors"</b>	<p>18 March 1992: "Regional Editors Meeting".</p>		<p>27 February 1991: "Host lunch for regional Newspaper Editors + Mr O'Donnell" following a briefing.</p> <p>22 May 1991 "Pre-lunch drinks with local editors followed by lunch with local editors at same location".</p>	
<b>Cambridge Evening News</b>	<p>13 September 1991</p>			
<b>Newspaper Society</b>				<p>26 February 1992: "Lunch with Newspaper Society + Mr O'Donnell, Bloomsbury House."</p> <p>1 May 1996: "Newspaper Society's Annual Launch + Mr</p>

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				Haslam, Hilton Hotel [speech]".
Newspaper Press Fund				29 September 1993: "Look in on Press Fund Drinks + Mr O'Donnell. Australia House".  15 September 1994: "Attend Newspaper Press Fund Reception, Stationers' Hall + Mr Meyer."  13 November 1996: "Newspaper Fund Reception + Mr Haslam – Australia House."
Western Mail	26 October 1994 + Mr Haslam.  23 November 1994 + Mr Haslam.			
Press Association				20 September 1995: "Lunch with the Press Association + Mr Meyer".

\*compiled by reference to all such entries in the Prime Minister's Diaries maintained by No. 10 from November 1990 to April 1997.