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Dear Mr Myler,

You may recall that I wrote to you back in October 2010 in relation to allegations of unlawful interception of mobile telephones or what has become commonly known as 'phone hacking', allegedly involving The News of the World.

You kindly responded on 13th October 2010 and your letter quotes 'All material has been collected and / or retained legally and legitimately by The News of the World and its staff. I am as sure as I can be that since I became editor of the News of the World in January 2007 neither the newspaper nor its staff have collected or obtained information by means of unlawful interception. Similarly, I am as sure as I can be that neither the newspaper nor its staff are in possession of such material whenever it may have originally been collected.'

I also wrote to numerous members of your staff on the News and Features desks, via Tom Crone, on 22nd October 2010 to establish if they could assist in any way with any material which could be potential evidence relating to the phone hacking allegations.

I note from recent press reporting that Ian Edmondson, a senior member of your editorial staff was suspended before Christmas following an allegation in connection with alleged phone hacking. I understand this matter is subject to litigation and a separate internal investigation by The News of the World.

As part of the internal investigation, if you have or obtain any material which could be potential evidence of phone hacking relating to lan Edmondson or any other member of staff then I would be grateful for your co-operation and ask that this be forwarded to me at the earliest opportunity for my consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Dean Haydon Detective Superintendent