

Sir Christopher Meyer
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Press Complaints Commission
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Dear Sir Christopher

I am writing to you in your capacity as Chairman of the Appointments Commission, following our recent meeting and the PressBof and PCC meetings. Peter Hill is a NPA nominated member of the PCC. He has been a senior editor on the PCC for over four years and has made a significant and valuable contribution to its work.

It is normal for national editors to serve on the PCC for no more than four to five years. The NPA would like to propose that Peter Hill stands down as a member of the Commission, having served over four years, in time for his successor to be in place by 1st June. The NPA wishes to nominate Peter Wright, the editor of the Mail on Sunday, as an editor member of the Commission in Peter Hill's place.

You will be aware that Express Newspapers is no longer a member of the NPA and is currently not making its appropriate contribution to PressBof to fund the PCC. It is the view of the NPA that, in future, editors who serve on the Commission should only do so where their employers fully support PressBof and the PCC. In addition, the policy of the NPA is to nominate editors whose employers are in NPA membership.

We discussed the steps which now need to be taken so that the nomination and appointment process, and the related announcements, can be handled in an appropriate manner, reflecting Peter's contribution to the PCC's work.

Yours sincerely

Tim Brooks
Chairman

cc: Tim Bowdler CBE
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