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Baroness Buscombe,
Chair,
Press Complaints Commission,
Halton House,
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Dear Baroness Buscombe

I have recently been contacted by constituents who wish to remain anonymous but have asked that I obtain your views on this matter.

My constituents have two children of primary school age. The family regularly attend events for the Jewish community in this area and the press are often in attendance. However, my constituents were extremely concerned to find that photographs of the children have appeared, for sale, on the website of the Jewish Telegraph, and that the children are named.

I am advised that permission from the parents has never been sought and that the photos were removed from the website when the parents approached the newspaper.

I would welcome your views and comments regarding this matter, and in particular, the legality surrounding the publishing of photographs of children in both newspapers and on websites without parental permission.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours

Rt. Hon. Jim Murphy MP