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Press Complaints Commission

From the Chairman

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Dear David,

I am just writing to see if you are around for dinner in Edinburgh on the 26th April.

It has been a while since we met and it would be very good to catch up. I was also interested to read about your comments about the PCC at the recent Royal Society of Edinburgh debate. I have been chairman of the PCC for nearly a year now and one of my principal aims is to ensure that we are not perceived as the London-centric organisation that you were said to have described. We are anything but London-centric – I have visited around two dozen cities and towns in the UK, including three separate trips to Scotland – and the bulk of our work is generated by newspapers not based in London. We very much see ourselves as the Scottish PCC as much as anything else – and undertake a number of initiatives to underline this.

Nonetheless, there is always more to do and I would welcome the chance to chat to you about how this might be done. I am in Edinburgh on the 26th with Tim Toulmin, the PCC's director, for a number of meetings and it would be a pleasure to take you and a guest out for dinner.

I do hope that this is convenient for you. Perhaps your office could let Kim Baxter, my PA, know if it is not so that we could find another suitable time.

With kind regards.

*Yours ever,
Christopher*

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