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Leveson 2

Thanks to everyone who has contacted me about completing the Leveson Inquiry.

The recent votes on the Leveson 2 clause in the Data Protection Bill were a chance for MPs to finally deliver on promises made to victims of hacking and press intrusion and ensuring the wrongs of the past can never happen again.

The final stages of the Leveson Inquiry that were postponed while criminal investigations were ongoing aimed to look at the extent of 'unlawful and improper conduct within News International and other media outlets' and how the relationship between the press, politicians and police allowed it to happen. With the questions it posed still unanswered and new allegations emerging all the time it is more pressing than ever that it should go ahead.

That is why Labour voted for amendments that would commit the Government to completing the Leveson inquiry which was promised. Unfortunately, the Government went against the promises it made to victims of hacking and press intrusion and – along with their allies in the House of Commons – voted to defeat Leveson 2, betraying victims once again.

Thanks again to all those who have contacted me about Leveson 2.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Burden'.

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