

From the Chairman



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Independent Consultancy – New Commission

The Committee has considered your request to accept a commission with UK Broadband.

The Committee noted that you did not have any direct official or contractual dealings with your prospective employer, its clients or any competitors during your last two years of service.

The Committee therefore agrees that this commission is permissible within the terms of your independent consultancy.

The conditions that apply to your independent consultancy are:

- you should not draw on any privileged information available to you from your time in Government including your current capacity as the Prime Minister's Envoy and Special Representative;
- for two years from your last day in office, you should not become personally involved in lobbying the UK Government on behalf of your new company or its clients; and
- once you have received approval to set up as an independent consultant, for two years from your last day of service you must seek confirmation from the **Committee directly** that each individual commission is permissible under the terms of your consultancy before taking it up. If, after enquiry, the Committee takes the view that a commission is, or may be, outside the terms of the consultancy you will be expected to submit a fresh application.

From the Chairman

I would be grateful if you could let me know when you take up this commission, or if it is announced that you are to do so. This will enable the Committee to publish brief details on the regularly updated consolidated list on its website and in its next annual report. This letter may also be published (with relevant redactions of personal information).

Sir Hugh Stevenson

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