Dear Antonio

News Corporation – British Sky Broadcasting Group Plc

Thank you for your letter of 17 February; apologies for the delay in responding to you.

To confirm, if the Secretary of State proposes to accept UILs, he would intend to publish his decision to accept those UILs, the UILs in full, and reports received from the OFT and Ofcom. However, he is conscious that his decision and the reports might contain confidential information and that it may be necessary to publish non-confidential versions of those documents. However, it is clear that the UILs should be published in as full a form as possible in order to ensure that those wishing to respond to the consultation which would follow will be able to do so fully and effectively.

Insofar any decision of the Secretary of State is concerned, you will be given opportunity to make representations as to confidentiality in advance of such a decision being published, albeit that we will want to get that done quickly. So far as the reports from the OFT and Ofcom are concerned, the Secretary of State intends in any event to publish these reports in due course, and will ask those bodies to provide non-confidential versions for publication. I would ask you therefore to provide us with versions marked with those parts which you would wish to remain confidential as soon as you are able to. I would also ask you to ensure that only those figures, words or passages which are of real sensitivity are marked up.

I hope that this is clear, but do please let me know if you have further queries.

Yours sincerely

Victoria Kaye