
From: Aidan McGurran [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, June 09, 2015 2:49 PM
To: Michael Leidig
Subject: Re: buzz

Thanks Mike. Like I say find the whole thing a bit odd. Thanks very much for your help. Much appreciated.
Aidan.

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On 9 June 2015 at 13:17, Michael Leidig [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Aidan, yes it is from 2013 so very old.

It was also very well covered at the time, I believe that there was a personal protest by the Polish ambassador to the Mail about its anti-Polish stance.

COMPLAINANT NAME:
Mr Tomasz Orynski

CLAUSES NOTED: 1

PUBLICATION: Daily Mail

COMPLAINT:

Mr Tomasz Orynski complained to the Press Complaints Commission on behalf of Zdzislaw Molodynski, about two articles which he considered to have been inaccurate and misleading in breach of Clause 1 (Accuracy) of the Editors' Code of Practice. The article carried comments attributed to Mr Molodynski, which he claimed not to have made.

RESOLUTION:

The complaint was resolved when the PCC negotiated the publication of the following clarification:

Daily Mail

In an article published on the 23rd of December headlined 'Can you be DUI in a sleigh? Santa and his assistant come to grief after crashing into a wall during drunken sled ride through town', we reported that a Father Christmas and his helper in Poland were facing drink driving charges, The article also included quotes from Zdzislaw Molodynski. We have since been informed that the Father Christmas and his helper did not face any charges and that Mr Molodynski refutes the quotes that were attributed to him. We are happy to clarify these points.

DATE PUBLISHED: 28/02/2014

I had a query about it from BuzzFeed just now but I had no idea it went to PCC or that it was ruled against until I looked now after their email. No-one ever told us before.

It was supplied by a freelancer, who no longer is a contributor, who stood by the story, but one of the people quoted, Mr Orynski, says he never made the quotes attributed and the PCC accepted that.

Let me know if you need any more and best as always

Mike

Michael Leidig

Central European News Ltd

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From: Aidan McGurrar [REDACTED]

Sent: Dienstag, 09. Juni 2015 13:38

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To: Michael Leidig

Subject: buzz

Michael, don't know if BuzzFeed have been on to you about this one. They have been on to our corporate comms again. Just wondered if you could let me have your take on the issues raised. Must admit am a bit bemused they are going after you again on a historic story. Aidan.

Dear Elizabeth,

I am working on a piece for BuzzFeed News about the story "Drunk Santa and helper' in hospital facing drink drive charges after falling out of horse-drawn sleigh" published on the Mirror site on 23 December 2013. I have some questions regarding it:

1. Are you aware that two of the people quoted in this story deny ever saying the words attributed to them?
2. Are you aware that the "Santa" in the story, and his wife, were found by local authorities not to be drunk and claim their business and personal lives have been affected by the negative press coverage?
3. Are you aware a successful PCC complaint was made against the MailOnline and Huffington Post regarding this story?
4. Will you be issuing any corrections regarding it?

We're aiming to publish our story about this on Wednesday morning - I'd be grateful if you could get back to me by then. Please confirm receipt of request.

Best,

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Alan White

News Reporter, BuzzFeed UK

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