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Sent: 4/30/2015 4:45:20 PM
Subject: Re: Blast from the past
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Thanks - that's really kind.

On 30 April 2015 at 21:35, Alan S Philps <alan@alanphilps.com> wrote:

Hi Rob

I'll call you tomorrow. The details escape me but I may be able to pass you on to some other folk with better memories.

Alan

From: Robert Colvile [mailto:robert.colvile@buzzfeed.com]
Sent: 29 April 2015 10:14
To: alan@alanphilps.com
Subject: Blast from the past

Hi Alan,

You may not remember me, but I used to be one of your colleagues at the Telegraph - I moved over to BuzzFeed a few months ago as part of its attempt to do more serious news. One of our projects has been this investigation into an agency called Central European News, aka CEN, which provides the Mail/Mirror with many of the garbage stories that pollute the internet:

<http://www.buzzfeed.com/alanwhite/central-european-news>

Since we published the piece, quite a lot of other stuff about the agency and its founder, Michael Leidig, has come out of the woodwork. We're keen to get a full picture both for the purposes of a follow-up piece, and to have an ironclad defence if his lawyers (Carter-Ruck) launch a legal case. Various people mentioned an incident involving him and the Daily Telegraph which saw him blacklisted by the foreign desk, but couldn't remember the details - do you happen to remember what happened? I know it's a while back, but I'm on 07770 382438 if you're able to help...

All the best,

Rob

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