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The Honorable Darrell Issa
Chairman
House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
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Dear Chairman Issa:

We are following up on the previous letter sent to you on July 13, 2011. We strongly urge you to investigate Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation. The allegations that have been raised are serious and more answers are needed. You will find the modified text of the original letter below:

~~As you may know, serious allegations have recently been raised accusing Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation of acting improperly and possibly in violation of United States law.~~

It has been reported that News Corporation and its subsidiaries may have bribed London police officers for information for use in newspaper articles, including information about high-ranking government officials. If true, these charges could be a violation of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA), that forbids bribery of foreign government officials by U.S.-based companies.

Additionally, News Corporation has already admitted to phone hacking in London, and we have concerns about allegations that hacking may have also extended to U.S. citizens. We ask that you investigate whether victims of the September 11, 2001 attack and other U.S. citizens had their cell phones targeted by News Corporation.

Please look into the serious allegations that have been made against News Corporation. We owe it to the American public to find out if victims have been subject to criminal actions by News Corporation and its affiliates.

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform has a duty to protect the privacy of Americans and to hold U.S. corporations accountable. We look forward to your response within ten business days regarding an investigation of News Corporation. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


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