



# Press Release

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## PENGUIN TO PUBLISH BOOK FROM TOM WATSON MP ABOUT PHONE HACKING SCANDAL

Penguin Press is delighted to announce the publication, before the end of 2011, of a book by Tom Watson MP and Martin Hickman of the Independent which will tell the full behind-the-scenes story of the phone hacking scandal. Watson and Hickman will describe in previously unpublished detail the nexus between News Corporation, the police and politicians, and will explain how the connections between them were unravelled. With unique information and access, their book will show what went wrong with some very prominent British institutions and will mark the moment when everything began to change.

TOM WATSON has been MP for West Bromwich East since 2001. He joined the Parliamentary Select Committee on Culture, Media and Sport in 2009 when he began to campaign against wrongful media practices. He led the questioning of Rupert and James Murdoch and Rebekah Brooks when they appeared before the Committee on 19th July 2011 and continues to be in the forefront of the investigation.

MARTIN HICKMAN has worked for the Independent since 2001, and was named Journalist of the Year by the Foreign Press Association in 2009. He has led the Independent's coverage of the phone hacking scandal this year.

Stuart Proffitt acquired UK and Commonwealth publication rights from Clare Alexander of Aitken Alexander.

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