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Subject: Email to 600 MP's

Dear Mr Brandjes

We have printed below a self-explanatory draft email ready for dispatch to 600 MP's.

Please let me know if you consider that it contains any factual inaccuracy.

Mr Bill Campbell has kindly supplied the statistical information.

If we hear nothing from you by noon tomorrow we will commence the distribution of the email on its current basis.

We may add a reference to the fact that the email has been supplied to Shell with the above invitation prior to circulation.

Best Regards
Alfred Donovan

DRAFT: The safety of your constituents is at risk

Bill Campbell, the former Shell Group Auditor recently sent you an email warning of an inevitable catastrophe on Shell North Sea platforms unless action is taken. Bill led the safety audit team which discovered a "Touch F*** All" safety policy endorsed by Shell management. Shell failed to take adequate remedial steps to deal with falsified safety reports and bodged repairs discovered in the audit. Two offshore workers died in a subsequent avoidable accident. Shell was fined £900,000 after admitting responsibility.

Bill is convinced that despite these events, Shell management is still putting profits and production before safety.

If Bill's warnings are proved correct, families all over the UK, including in your constituency, could lose loved ones because Shell, which made \$26.3 billion profit in 2006, has not faced up to its responsibilities in relation to offshore employee safety.

Information published on the HSE website proves that contrary to claims by Shell, safety and fatality statistics are getting worse, not better. For example since the fatalities, on average, an enforcement order has been placed against Shell every 40 days or so, leading to almost continual breach with 88 separate breaches of legislation.

The campaign led by Bill has gathered considerable momentum since he last wrote to you. A number of MP's kindly intervened by making representations to Shell or to the Minister responsible. If you have not taken action, please send an email to the Executive Director of Shell EP, Malcolm Brinded (Malcolm.brinded@shell.com) expressing your concern, with a

copy to Bill (Cambellxxxx.xxx) so he is aware of your support. It will only take a few minutes but could, in combination with the efforts of others, result in lives being saved.

We are also delighted with the media publicity. There have been several articles mentioning the joint campaign involving Bill and the website royaldutchshellplc.com which I own with my son, John Donovan. Two examples: an article in the Daily Mail on 1 September headlined: "Shell on back foot as gripe site alleges safety concerns" and in the Daily Telegraph on 8 Sept: "Pressure on Shell over safety of platforms".

The mission of our non commercial website is to persuade Shell management to live up to the core principles in Shell's Statement of General Business Principles pledging integrity, honesty, transparency and respect for people in all of Shell's dealings. If Shell had abided by its own ethical code, there would have been no "Touch F*** All" culture and no Brent Bravo fatalities.

Two offshore unions last week joined the growing chorus of voices expressing serious reservations over Shell North Sea safety practices. On 6 September, BBC News reported "Two offshore unions have called on the HSE to investigate Shell's operations in the North Sea".

An interview with Shell CEO Jeroen van der Veer by The Guardian on 31 Aug 2007 contained the following sentence:

"He also makes clear he was hurt by the coverage of another fiasco – when a Shell consultant, Bill Campbell, blew the whistle on safety breaches in the North Sea."

Although sorry his feelings are hurt, that is preferable than more Shell employees losing their lives.

We obtained under a SAR application, Shell internal documents revealing a panicky reaction to the prospect of a Campbell/Donovan alliance. They contained admissions never meant for public consumption. There was evidence of further documents relating to us. We asked Shell for the missing information and on 6 Sept received an unsatisfactory response from solicitors hastily retained by Shell, Simmons & Simmons. We replied asking if information had been withheld on the grounds that it was self-incriminating. **Following a tip-off, we also asked if Shell has attempted to evade its DPA obligations by subsequently using codenames instead of our surnames: another serious matter if true.** We will supply an update.

Yours sincerely
Alfred Donovan