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Dear Brian,

You surely are not easy to get in touch with.

I continue to be surprised that, as a new President, you apparently do not want any contact with your predecessors. It is as if you are still in election mood or do you fear negative comments by the British press if you are in contact with Pat (in cc) or me? From my rich experience of 38 years of sports administration I can tell you that it is a quite “unique” attitude for a new President.

I am definitely not begging for a meeting with you but I think I would at least have been entitled to be contacted by you before you would take decisions that concern my person. As to the IC you know my standpoint and I refer to my letter of November 13 (that remains unanswered) for which I only received an acknowledgment of reception from your DG (!) after sending you a second letter/reminder on December 4th (remains also unanswered).

Another decision that you took without consulting with me was the withdrawal of the complaint against Mr. Kimmage. Whether you like it or not but in this complaint I ONLY got involved for the reason of defending the interests of the UCI since I acted as previous President of the UCI. You do not seem to realize that. Sure, your decision to stop the procedures against Mr. Kimmage has brought you some nice comments in the British press but I think that these come at the cost of the UCI's interests and I weigh my words. It is not appropriate for the UCI to step out of a procedure like this without at least consulting the people that were in there TOGETHER with the UCI. This court case against Kimmage was not a personal “hobby” for me (nor was it for Pat, I presume) but it was launched in the interest of the UCI (it was Mr. Kimmage who called the UCI corrupt!) as were the [appeal in Festina](#) and the procedures against Pound (twice), Voet, Landis and perhaps others (by the way: [the court admitted them all, on the understanding that Pound avoided condemnation by backing down!](#)). If one doesn't see the interest in defending the UCI's image and reputation against slander then I wonder what other interests weigh heavier.

I am informing you that I will send some bcc's to people within the OM that have already expressed to me their astonishment about your attitude towards your predecessors.

Best,

Hein Verbruggen