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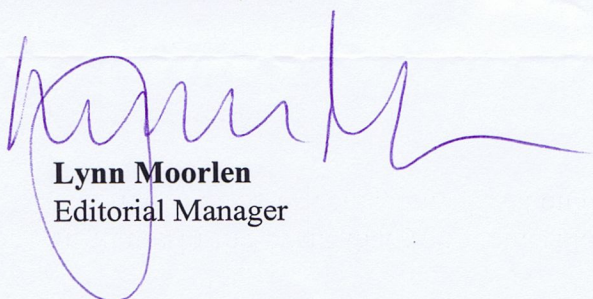
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Dear Mr Donovan

Further to our conversation today, I would like to confirm that we have not commissioned Charles Hoots to write for The European on any subject for almost two years. However, having taken legal advice from our lawyers we will be taking this matter up with him. I hope this explains our position and clarifies any uncertainty that may have arisen.

In future in the event that you would like to speak to any of our journalists then please feel free to do so or contact me direct on 0171 418 7788.

Yours sincerely



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