

## **For GB News and Marshall Wace**

Dear Paul Marshall,

We have informed the Metropolitan Police Public Order Planning Unit MO6, Michael Gove, Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, and Lord Walney, his government's independent adviser on political violence and disruption, that we have compelling evidence that following could be in breach of the government's new definition of extremism:

GB News

Paul Marshall, the owner of GB News

GB News presenters Nigel Farage, Jacob Rees-Mogg, Lee Anderson and Richard Tice.

The new definition of extremism reads as follows:

*Extremism is the promotion or advancement of an ideology based on violence, hatred or intolerance, that aims to:*

- *Negate or destroy the fundamental rights and freedoms of others; or*
- *Undermine, overturn, or replace the UK's system of liberal parliamentary democracy and democratic rights; or*
- *Intentionally create a permissive environment for others to achieve the results in (1) or (2).*

We can supply compelling evidence that Farage, Rees-Mogg, Anderson and Tice are promoting or advancing an ideology of violence, hate and intolerance that aims to negate or destroy the fundamental rights and freedoms of others through their use of demonstrably false narratives about climate change, social justice and immigration.

In the light of evidence and examples to support this assertion, it is similarly evident that GB News and its owner Mr Marshall are extremists who are intentionally creating a permissive environment for others to negate or destroy the fundamental rights and freedoms of others.

We have requested that MO6, the Secretary of State, and Lord Walney urgently investigate this apparent breach of the new definition of extremism with a view to ordering GB News, its owner and the four named presenters to cease their extremist behaviour.

We have further requested that should the above fail to cease their extremist behaviour, action should be taken to stop GB News from interacting with MPs, government ministers and government officials.

Finally, we have requested an immediate investigation into whether Paul Marshall is a fit and proper person to hold a broadcasting licence.

We look forward to confirmation from you at the soonest opportunity that you are taking action to avoid further breaches of the new definition of extremism.

Regards

Extinction Rebellion UK

**For MO6**

Dear Head of MO6,

You will be aware that a new definition of extremism was issued by Michael Gove, Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, and Lord Walney, his government's independent adviser on political violence and disruption, on Thursday March 14.

It reads as follows:

*Extremism is the promotion or advancement of an ideology based on violence, hatred or intolerance, that aims to:*

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We have compelling evidence that the following are in breach of this new definition:

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In the light of evidence and examples to support this assertion, it is similarly evident that GB News and its owner Mr Marshall are extremists who intentionally are creating a permissive environment for others to negate or destroy the fundamental rights and freedoms of others.

We urgently request a meeting with you to present our evidence and to formally ask for an investigation into the broadcaster, its owner, and the four presenters on the grounds that they are extremists.

We also request that your investigation should consider whether Paul Marshall is a fit and proper person to hold a broadcasting licence.

We look forward to hearing from you at the soonest opportunity.

Regards

Extinction Rebellion UK

**This letter is for Michael Gove, Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities.**

Dear Secretary of State,

We formally request that you include on your new list of suspected extremist organisations the TV broadcaster GB News, its owner Paul Marshall and the following GB News presenters:

Nigel Farage

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Richard Tice

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In the House of Commons on the same day, you cited far right groups such as Patriotic Alternative and the British National Socialist Movement and Islamic organisations such as the Muslim Association of Britain as examples of the organisations that could fall foul of this new definition.

We are deeply concerned that you have not, as yet, named GB News, Mr Marshall or the four GB News presenters above as prime candidates for listing as extremists, and/or members of extremist organisations.

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In the light of evidence and examples to support this assertion, we would suggest that you have no choice but to conclude that GB News and its owner Mr Marshall are extremists who are intentionally creating a permissive environment for others to negate or destroy the fundamental rights and freedoms of others.

Therefore, we request as citizens of the UK, that you instruct the broadcaster, its owner and the four named presenters to cease their extremist behaviour and, if they do not, you take actions to ensure that they cannot interact or engage with MPs, Ministers or government officials.

Finally, we request an immediate investigation into whether Paul Marshall is a fit and proper person to hold a broadcasting licence.

We are happy to meet with you at the soonest opportunity to present our evidence of repeated breaches of your new definition of extremism.

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**A slightly amended version for Lord Walney, the government's independent adviser on political violence and disruption.**

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