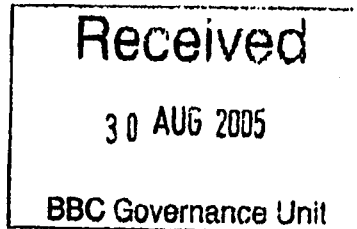


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Dear Michael

Broadcasting House Redevelopment

I am writing to you to record what I believe to be a serious setback to the architectural aspirations of this project. A decision has been made to abandon the News Room transfer structure and hence the great space it made at the heart of the building. I believe that this would have been one of the most wonderful and celebrated spaces in the world.

It was included in Bovis' contract but has now been abandoned because of 'risk'. There may well be risk, but there has been no formal risk evaluation which I believe there should have been to justify such a loss of value.

Mark and I have been in correspondence about this and I have made it clear that I accept the decision, however reluctantly.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

Richard McCormac

Sir Richard MacCormac

cc - DA'S OFFICE
CHRIS KANE
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From The Chairman

1 September 2005

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My dear Richard,

Thank you for your letter of 25 August regarding the redevelopment of the BBC's Broadcasting House and its decision to not go ahead with the News Room transfer structure.

I am sorry that you are not happy with the BBC Executive's decision regarding this, but this is not a matter with which I can involve myself. As Chairman of the Board of Governors I do not have any role in such operational matters which the Board delegates to the Director-General and his management team. I note that you have already been in correspondence with Mark Thompson and that you have met with him and John Smith. It is appropriate that any concerns you have should continue to be raised with them.

Many thanks for your letter.

MICHAEL GRADE



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