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Dear Mr Machover,

Following our letter dated 3 October 2017, representations have been made to the Labour Party on your behalf to further clarify its position on your membership and the specific reasons for your automatic exclusion from membership of the Labour Party.

You have been automatically excluded under rule 2.I.4.B due to your clear support of at least one organisation which is incompatible with membership of the Labour Party, namely Labour Party Marxists, as well as the Communist Party of Great Britain.

Chapter 2.I.4.B of the Labour Party's rules states:

"A member of the party who joins and/or supports a political organisation other than an official Labour Group or unit of the Party or supports any candidate who stands against an official Labour candidate, or publicly declares their intent to stand against a Labour candidate, shall automatically be ineligible to be or remain a party member, subject to the provisions of part 6.1.2 of the disciplinary rules".

The evidence demonstrating support for a political organisation other than an official Labour Group or unit of the Party can be found in section 3 of our original letter of 3 October.

For the avoidance of any doubt, you are not ineligible for membership as a result of complaints received by the Party that you have breached rule 2.1.8 regarding language which may be prejudicial or grossly detrimental to the Party in an allegedly antisemitic article published in your name. These allegations are not subject to an investigation as you are not currently a member of the Labour Party. Disciplinary action resulting from a breach of rule 2.1.8 would require a hearing of the National Constitutional Committee as it would not be a matter of membership eligibility as defined in rule 2.1.4.

If you would like to challenge the validity of the evidence attached to the letter sent to you on 3 October, please submit a written statement to the Governance and Legal unit at the London address above or to <u>legal queries@labour.org.uk</u> within 14 days of 3 October 2017.

Yours sincerely

Sam Matthews, Head of Disputes

c.c. London Labour Party Hampstead and Kilburn CLP



