



# House of Commons

## NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS

given on

**Thursday 6 September 2012**

### CONSIDERATION OF BILL

#### DEFAMATION BILL, AS AMENDED

John McDonnell

Page 3, line 5 [*Clause 4*], after ‘it’, insert ‘or within or a reasonable amount of time following initial publication’.

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Page 3, line 8 [*Clause 4*], at end insert ‘within a reasonable amount of time, allowing for the public and commercial interest in publication.’.

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Page 3, line 10 [*Clause 4*], at end insert—  
 ‘(j) whether the defendant had made reasonable efforts to abide by the National Union of Journalists’ Code of Conduct.’.

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Page 3, line 21 [*Clause 4*], at end insert—  
 ‘(7) In determining public interest, the court shall have regard to whether the claimant is a person in public life, which should be taken to include (amongst others) politicians, public officials, celebrities and others whose influence, earnings or social status is dependent on a public image.’.

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