From: **Mark Hawthorne** Date: 15 April 2013 17:33

Subject: BusinessDay Contributor Payments

Dear contributor,

Pardon the group email, but there are many valued journalists and contributors to BusinessDay who help make us such a success each week.

I am aware that many of you have outstanding invoices at the moment. Due to staffing changes and the consolidation of print and online contributor budgets across a number of sections, including Money, Executive Style, Commercial Property and My Small Business, payments to many of you are running behind schedule.

I am writing to assure you that by the end of this week we will be on top of the significant backlog.

I wish to thank you for your patience over the past few months - having worked as a freelance journalist myself, I know just how important regular payment is.

If you have any further queries, please email me directly at [REDACTED]

All the best

Mark

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