

## Dr Brian Jones

Our news bulletin "MPs 'ducked Iraq war challenge'" (March 20), which summarised part of the evidence given to the House of Commons' public administration select committee the previous day, wrongly stated that Dr Brian Jones, a retired branch head on the Defence Intelligence Staff of the Ministry of Defence, had leaked information to the media before the last Iraq war.

We are happy to make clear that the committee's chairman stated publicly that Dr Jones had "behaved with absolute integrity as a public servant all the way through" and we accept this to be the case. We apologise unreservedly to Dr Jones for our error and the problems, distress and embarrassment caused.