## Mike Ashley

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## Corrections and clarifications

• In a series of articles published on 17 and 18 July 2020 we reported on the activities of Sport Mobile, a company which provided mobile telephone services. Following legal action brought by Mike Ashley, the Court found that in the articles it was alleged that there are grounds to suspect that Sport Mobile helped Mr Ashley to avoid the disclosure in High Court proceedings of potentially relevant text messages and phone records, which Mr Ashley had told the Court he could not produce whilst knowing that Sport Mobile could in fact have obtained them. We did not intend to suggest such meanings and accept that any allegations of wrongdoing by Mr Ashley in his litigation with Jeffrey Blue are untrue. We sincerely apologise to Mr Ashley for the distress and damage caused by the publication of our articles. We are happy to set the record straight, and have agreed to pay Mr Ashley substantial damages in addition to his legal costs.



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