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Stories in the News....

What sort of news stories interest you?

Where do you go for news (eg newspapers/online/radio/TV)?

What have been the most interesting news stories in the past week?

A story about privacy....

Some verb/noun collocations about privacy -

- protect privacy
- respect privacy
- violate privacy
- invade privacy

Covid Inquiry - to examine the government's response to the Covid pandemic and its impact - to learn lessons for the future

Who is this?



What is her current role?

What is an inquiry?

Here is some information about Baroness Hallett - read and then tell me something about her.

D.o.b. - 16 December 1949

Father: police officer

Age - 73

Married with two sons.

Job: barrister - 1972-1999

Specialism: criminal law

Later: Judge of the High Court

Promoted to Court of Appeal: 2005



Who is this?

D.o.b. - 19 June 1964

Age - 58

Born: New York City

Early childhood: Oxford, London, USA - then return to UK in 1969.

Brought up in Somerset.

Jobs -

Journalist - well-known for stories that were not true (in particular about EU regulations)

Editor of The Spectator

Became MP for Henley in 2001

2008-2016 - Mayor of London

Elected MP for Uxbridge - 2015

Prime Minister - July 2019 - September 2022

What is the news story that links Baroness Hallett to Boris Johnson?

Baroness Hallett required that Boris Johnson should disclose unredacted versions of WhatsApp messages exchanged during the pandemic.

The Cabinet Office that the WhatsApp messages were not relevant. Disclosing the messages could discourage ministers from discussing matters on WhatsApp and using other digital communications.

Boris Johnson has said that he will give unredacted messages to the Covid Inquiry.

This is a battle between the inquiry that wants transparency and the government that is raising matters of privacy.

What do you think?