



PRESS RELEASE

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Department for Transport (DfT) in Denial

The response to the BAA letter to Patrick McCloughlin has now arrived from DfT and, as expected, everything is going fine, LGV CPC is wonderful, everybody loves it and it is here to stay.

In line with common practice the letter does not address the points made, especially the core one of making our roads more dangerous.

Driver CPC has followed a well-trodden path; EU do-gooders justify their existence by issuing a pious directive, the government carries out a perfunctory consultation, trade associations meekly acquiesce or, as in this instance, jump on the band-wagon, the people at the coal face are ignored, or treated with disdain, and the process becomes unstoppable.

There have been so many episodes like this since the EU really got going that most people now simply shrug their shoulders in defeat. However, this one is different – very different! Most of us encounter HGVs on the road and any accident involving a car, motorbike or bicycle with a truck normally has a bad outcome.

DfT are therefore now prepared to risk the lives of almost everyone one in the country by their head-in-the-sand attitude.

We can only hope that no-one famous gets flattened by a young, texting, HGV CPC qualified driver with insufficient sleep – as that would be very embarrassing for them!

No doubt this driver already had his CPC
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-cornwall-28983049>

Kind regards

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