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Resource A: *The Guardian* newspaper front cover

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Cummings accuses PM of lying over No 10 party

Rowena Mason
Heather Stewart

Dominic Cummings has accused Boris Johnson of lying after No 10 denied the prime minister was warned against allowing a “bring your own booze” party during the first lockdown.

Johnson admitted to parliament last week that he attended drinks in the Downing Street garden on May 20, 2020, but claimed he had not realised it was a social gathering.

The event was organised by Johnson’s principal private secretary (PPS), Martin Reynolds, who told people to “bring your own booze” – but No 10 denies that the prime minister saw the emailed invitation to about 100 staff. It has also denied allegations that two senior staffers warned Johnson not to go ahead with the event, saying this was “not true”.

But Cummings, a former senior aide to the prime minister, wrote a new blog post yesterday challenging that account. He said he personally told Reynolds that the invitation broke the rules and claimed Reynolds replied: “So long as it’s socially

distanced I think it’s OK, I’ll check with the PM if he’s happy for it to go ahead.”

Cummings then said that during a discussion over the future of the cabinet secretary and Reynolds, he had said to the prime minister something like: “Martin’s invited the building to a drinks party, this is what I’m talking about, you’ve got to grip this madhouse.”

Cummings added: “The PM waved it aside. I had told him repeatedly the PPS should be replaced, as had other competent officials who knew the whole structure needed a huge upgrade in personnel and management. ‘He’s MY guy, I don’t want you replacing him with YOUR person.’ (Yes, this says a lot.) I went home to bed at 3ish, still very ill from Covid.”

He claims Reynolds had checked with Johnson whether the party should go ahead, the prime minister agreed it should and they both went to the party.

Another former Downing Street staffer told the Guardian: “It is inconceivable: there is no way Martin would go ahead without checking with Boris. There is no way any PPS would. If two

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▲ The prime minister, Boris Johnson, jogs with his dog, Dilyn, through St James’s Park near Downing Street yesterday

UK sending anti-tank weapons to Ukraine

Dan Sabbagh
Defence and security editor

Britain has begun supplying Ukraine with new light anti-tank weapons in response to “the increasingly threatening behaviour from Russia”, it was announced yesterday.

The ratcheting up of military support comes as the Kremlin continues to step up troop deployments by moving forces into Belarus, which neighbours Ukraine to the north, and is considered the most likely route for any invasion.

“We have taken the decision to supply Ukraine with

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Inquiry launched into Mone over ‘VIP lane’ deal

David Conn

The House of Lords commissioner for standards has launched an investigation into the Conservative peer Michelle Mone, relating to the PPE company awarded £203m in

government contracts via the “VIP lane” after she referred it to the Cabinet Office in May 2020.

The investigation follows a complaint by the Labour peer George Foulkes on 6 January, after the Guardian reported that leaked files appear to suggest Lady Mone and her husband, the Isle of Man-based

financier Douglas Barrowman, were secretly involved in the company, PPE Medpro.

Foulkes asked the commissioner to investigate whether Mone may have breached the Lords code of conduct by failing to declare an interest in the company, and by lobbying for it to be awarded government contracts.

The commissioner confirmed the investigation would be for “alleged involvement in procuring contracts for PPE Medpro, leading to potential breaches” of three provisions of the Lords code, which cover the requirement

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Resource B: *The Man With The Golden Gun* film poster

To be used with Question 2(a) and (b)



Resource C: *Spy* film poster

To be used with Question 2(b)



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