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From: John Donovan [mailto:john@shellnews.net]

Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 10:00 AM

To: Brandjes, Michiel CM RDS-LC

Subject: FW: [Fwd: BAHRAIN 50 STOREY FREEHOLD TOWER]

Dear Mr Brandjes

This probably comes under the heading of junk mail but I feel sure that in any event it is meant for Shell not for us.

If you would prefer us to use our judgment and not forward what may be junk mail, then please advise accordingly and we will simply delete when we deem appropriate.

Best Regards
John Donovan

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From: michiel.brandjes@shell.com [mailto:michiel.brandjes@shell.com] Sent: 08 November 2007 12:14

To: john@shellnews.net

Subject: RE: [Fwd: BAHRAIN 50 STOREY FREEHOLD TOWER]

Dear Mr.Donovan,

Thank you for forwarding this message. Please feel free not to bother forwarding obvious "spam" like the email about real estate in Bahrain. In case of doubt we would prefer to receive the email though in order that appropriate attention can be given to it. Thank you.

[The Times: Royal Dutch Shell at war with the Donovan family: 22 September 2007](#)

Martin Waller: City Diary

Since the 1990s, Royal Dutch Shell has been at war with a family who registered a website, royaldutchshellplc.com. The Donovan family, led by 90-year-old Burma veteran Alfred, perhaps quixotically want Shell to change its management. Shell has failed to shut down the site, which has

attracted **job applications and, allegedly, even a terrorist threat**, all of which are dutifully passed on to the company. Space does not allow exposition of all the correspondence between the two sides, but there are signs that Shell is developing a sense of humour. A recent letter from general counsel there suggests that “a truly alternative solution for all those people inadvertently contacting you is for you to choose a website and e-mail address without the word ‘shell’ in it”.

Prospect Magazine: Shell's Colchester headache: 12 September 2007

Extract

The Donovans say they have received CVs, business proposals, and even a terrorist threat sent to them: all were intended for Shell. (They kindly forwarded them on.)