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K. Rupert Murdoch
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Dear Mr Murdoch,

The editors of openDemocracy are delighted to inform you that you have been named Bad Democrat of the Month for September 2006.

The Bad Democracy Award is made monthly to the man, woman or institution that has made the most damaging contribution to democracy that month.

Visitors to openDemocracy's [website](#) are invited to cast their votes for one of six candidates. You emerged victorious from a shortlist that also included Ayatollah Ali Khamenei of Iran, Manto Tshabalala-Msimang, South African health minister, Presidents Gloria Arroyo of the Philippines and Hu Jintao of the People's Republic of China and BHP Billiton.

Your name will now go forward to the shortlist for the grand prize of Bad Democrat of the Year, to be decided two months hence.

Congratulations once more.

Yours,

Tom Burgis

Moderator, Bad Democracy Awards

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