Recant or Go Mr Speaker

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Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to register a complaint against the Speaker John Bercow's comments expressing **his personal position**
as a reason for refusing an invitation to POTUS Donald Trump to address the House of Commons during his state visit to the UK later this year, as reported on BBC News 6 and 7 February 2017.
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-politics-3888994

The basis for this complaint are that Mr Bercow:

　　1.　Breached the Code of Conduct and its associated rules of a Speaker by **expressing a partisan, unsubstantiated set of allegations**
against POTUS Donald Trump, and then made a Parliamentary decision without a debate or vote. He has therefore stepped outside the scope of his role with this position and statement.

　　2.　**The Speaker can in no way claim that his views are the view of the people of the UK** (Parliamentarians are meant to represent the views of the people) or MPs, which have not been substantiated on this matter.

　　3.　The Speaker should encourage debate and not censorship of opposing positions, especially from a democracy such as the USA, which with a clear majority elected POTUS Donald Trump. This brings the House and UK democracy into disrepute.

　　4.　The Speaker has of **his own initiative and without consultation** cut across the expressed will of the Prime Minister and HRH the Queen to make a warm invitation to POTUS Donald Trump to come to the UK on a state visit, and thus causes embarrassment and a political snub.

I therefore call for Mr Bercow to apologise to the House and British people and recant his refusal to give an invitation to address the House by POTUS Donald Trump, or resign as Speaker.

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Yours sincerely

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