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Attn: User Support, DMCA complaints

To whom it may concern,

In accordance with the stated copyright policies of Google as posted at <http://www.google.com/dmca.html>, I am contacting you to make a formal complaint against two websites listed in your Search index.

I have been made aware that two websites included in the Google Search index, apparently administered by the same individual, have copied several hundred – at minimum – entire pages from my own site at <http://www.britainexpress.com>. To the best of my knowledge the entire sites at www.travel-in-uk.com and www.betrip.co.uk are copies of my own, with the logo changed, and some affiliate links added.

I am a company director and Publisher of Britain Express Limited, the UK corporation which owns and operates <http://www.britainexpress.com>. No permission from us was sought to republish our copyright material, and repeated emails to the registered email addresses for both sites requesting that the stolen material (essentially the entire websites) be removed have been ignored. We did succeed in getting the web host for www.betrip.co.uk to suspend the account of that website, but many of the copied pages are still in the Google Search index as of this date. We have contacted the host for www.travel-in-uk.com requesting similar strong action, but to date that site is still online, and is still in the Google index.

A very cursory list of stolen material includes text and layout at:

<http://www.travel-in-uk.com/index.htm>
<http://www.travel-in-uk.com/uk-hotels.htm>
<http://www.travel-in-uk.com/london-hotels/index.htm>
<http://www.travel-in-uk.com/counties/index.htm>

and on, and on, and on...

We are under no illusions that this is an isolated or honest mistake – even a cursory look at both websites should be sufficient to determine that <http://www.travel-in-uk.com/> and (www.betrip.co.uk) are made up of stolen content from Britain Express. Prompt action on your part would be most appreciated.

I have a good faith belief that use of the copyrighted materials described above on the allegedly infringing web pages is not authorized by the copyright owner, its agent, or the law.

I swear, under penalty of perjury, that the information in the notification is accurate and that I am the copyright owner or am authorized to act on behalf of the owner of an exclusive right that is allegedly infringed.

Kind regards,


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