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Although the article in last month's section 'Cuttings', "Prospect tricked by reheated hash by American writer" was a 'commentary' - and not a journalistic account, *The Sprout* has since learnt that much of its content was not accurate. We published several incorrect claims about Professor Moravcsik and his relationship with both *Prospect*, edited by David Goodhart, and the European Commission.

He did not "trick" *Prospect* nor did it deliberately mislead its readers. The Professor has not received speaking contracts, as such, from the EU; furthermore, he was merely an unpaid press assistant at the EU Commission office in Washington - rather than a salaried press officer, as the article suggested. And Harvard's European Union programme, headed by the Professor, is no longer funded by the EU.

The editors of *The Sprout* apologise for the inconsistencies in the piece to Professor Moravcsik

http://www.thesprout.net/mediadraining/mediadraining02.htm#apology