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I have [already noted](#) the complete absence of comment by the professional bodies representing accountants regarding the dropping of corruption allegations concerning BAE.

Now we are put to shame by two NGOs, the [Campaign Against the Arms Trade](#) and [Cornerhouse](#) who have together served notice of their intent to challenge the government's decision to drop this investigation. Their [press release](#) makes sober reading.

Why is it that a small NGO like Cornerhouse has to take a public position on corruption when the public have always assumed that this is the role of the accounting profession through the audits it undertakes. Shouldn't we be ashamed?

And what was the role of KPMG as auditors to BAE in all this anyway?