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The papers are full of reports of angst at the proposed creation of a European Super League for football this morning.

The government is, supposedly, planning draconian measures to prevent it happening. Even the freedom of movement of footballers is at risk, which must make them the first wealthy people the government has threatened with such restrictions, which Priti Patel has otherwise reserved for the rest of us.

There is, however nothing that the government should be surprised about in the move to create this league. As I have just tweeted:

<https://twitter.com/richardjmurphy/status/1384408623502307332?s=21>

Football is merely copying the government's example. When government's, like Johnson's, send out the signal that economic exploitation is both acceptable, and without penalty, others will of course follow.

Football has now done so.

And let's not forget that others will be more blatant as a result.

Corruption permeates, quickly. We have a government that is utterly indifferent to free competition and the regulation that maintains it. Instead they promote abuse.

Certainly get angry about the government. But as I argued in another tweet, last night:

<https://twitter.com/richardjmurphy/status/1384244177651699714?s=21>

And get angry with this government and the politics it espouses that permits this, too.

If we want fair play it's much more than the European Super League that we need to oppose.