ANDREW MARR:
Greg, a lot of people saw you and the Duke of Cambridge sitting watching the Arsenal game together just after his speech. Are the two of you now going to work together to put more pressure on Sepp Blatter?

GREG DYKE:
Well putting pressure on Sepp Blatter is pretty impossible. Putting pressure on – he seems oblivious to pressure – but putting pressure on other footballing nations, putting pressure on sponsors is a good idea I think.

ANDREW MARR:
And the Duke is going to be working with you on that?

GREG DYKE:
Well the Duke is… I was talking to him about it yesterday, he’s obviously upset by what’s happened and he feels quite strongly about it.
ANDREW MARR:
Is there any aspect of this which is personal? Because Sepp Blatter has suggested that losing out to Russia after the Duke of Cambridge put so much personal effort into that means that there’s sort of a personal edge to this from the British side.

GREG DYKE:
Well Sepp Blatter finds there’s an edge to everything that criticises him but doesn’t see anything at all wrong with the way that he and FIFA behave. I mean this isn’t the first scandal, it’s probably the most dramatic, but if you go back over the sixteen years he’s been there, there’s been scandal after scandal. And he escapes every time.

ANDREW MARR:
Now you’ve said that you want UEFA to take the lead in any possible boycott or pressure on FIFA, and there’s a meeting next week. But what do you do if UEFA fails to do that, and Mr. Platini does not come up with a new plan for a boycott or something similar of FIFA. Could the FA work alone, or is that just too scary?

GREG DYKE:
No, no it would be ridiculous to do it on your own because all we’d do is pull out of the world cup and everyone would day ‘oh well done’ and forget all about us. It’s got to be done by enough nations to have an impact, if it’s done. But I personally believe that – I don’t think Blatter will last four years. I think events of last week, as the Attorney General said, ‘this is the beginning not the end’.

ANDREW MARR:
Given how many people have died in the Middle East, given what you feel about Sepp Blatter and so many people feel about absolutely rank corruption and misbehavior in FIFA, isn’t it time that the FA take a stand and say ‘whatever the consequences with this we will not put up, we will walk away’.

GREG DYKE:
Well I think they know we’ve said that on enough occasions. We were without doubt one of the stronger voices this week saying something has got to be done. But I don’t think there’s any point the FA doing it on its own. We’ve got to do it alongside other countries, other large
footballing nations.

ANDREW MARR:
There’s now suggestion that there’s going to be an indictment out for Sepp Blatter. Do you accept that, and what are the consequences if that happened?

GREG DYKE:
I have no idea. I mean what would not surprise me is if some of those who have been arrested decided, in good old British terminology, they’ll give Queen’s evidence or in American terminology they’ll do a plea bargain. And if they start doing that we’ll see what happens. As I say I don’t, I think what is also very interesting is the investigation by the Swiss authorities. I mean this isn’t the sort of thing that the Swiss authorities normally do. They are now openly critical of Mr. Blatter and they’re openly critical of FIFA, and they’re looking into the way the two world cups were awarded. And I think if they do come out and demonstrate that particularly on Qatar the award was made after bribery and corruption, then I think the whole Qatar world cup comes under question again.

ANDREW MARR:
Thank you very much indeed Greg Dyke for joining us this morning.