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The thought of privatising the one provider of disinterested political reporting and news is enough to turn this 90 year old's few remaining hairs snow white. One has observed the irresponsible and unjustifiable privatisation of institutions like Telstra (a natural monopoly) and the disgraceful ptivatisation of the Foreign Affairs building in bewildered silence, but the ABC! The heart sinks in contemplating the thought of the loss of the one institution which gives this country a chance of keeping out of the hands of the Russian-style oligarchs who lie waiting, in every country, to steal control loss of the information media. I fear for the country my grand children are inheriting.

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