

**Subject:** STOP the ABC's PRIVATISATION by stealth  
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TO:- Senate Standing Committees on Environment and Communications

I have just returned from three weeks in New Zealand. The only thing I missed was OUR Commercial Free ABC

If ever you need to evaluate how poor a country's Cultural Health can be on a diet of Privatised TV Channels showing Ads. & American Cop Shows look across the "Ditch" !

There is no doubt since 1956 OUR ABC has changed but not for the better. Television & Radio are both under attack - there is evidence of dumbing down everywhere.

No doubt you have the facts at your finger tips, I doubt you will find any evidence why or where any cuts could or should be made to OUR ABC.

Sincerely, Alan McConachie