

As a supporter of the ABC, I am deeply distressed at the proposed emasculating the Public Broadcaster. National institutions such as this should be concerned with leading the nation to higher values and not catering to the lowest common denominator of the populace by chasing ratings. I trust the current enquiry will take an ethical stand on this and not a monetary one.

I expect the ABC to be a producer of innovative quality programming in all areas. I want:

1. the ABC to be less dependent on outsourced programming
2. the ABC to be funded and rebuilt so that it has strong specialist units to produce high levels of high quality and genuinely local in-house programming in all program genres on radio, TV and online
3. a public broadcaster that is focused on diversity and quality, not ratings

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