

**To:** Committee, EC (SEN)

**Subject:** Media bias

For the first time in my life I am truly fearful and concerned about the media in Australia. The fact that one man can control 70% of the media is really difficult to understand and on top of this when he can then manipulate the news to suit his own ends – well that's truly frightening.

We used to be able to rely on the ABC to report the news in a totally fair way but it seems that many stories that should have been reported on are ignored.

There also seems to be a disturbing trait manifesting itself with some of the ABC reporters who feel the need to end a political report with some derisive comment about the PM or the Labor party.

I find this childish and many of the comments quite out of place and stupid.

By all means get stuck into the government if necessary but for goodness sake treat the LNP the same way.

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