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**Submission:**

I support a Royal Commission into the ongoing abuse of power that the Murdoch Media has over Australia. No news organisation/person should own majority or close to all of the printed news media in any place; there needs to be a diverse pool of sources that presents the news from both sides (not just the right wing). I have recently found that the program 'Sky News' can be truly damaging in terms of the lies and subtle manipulation that they deliver to their audience. I have seen them deliver straight-up lies surrounding the background of George Floyd back when his death occurred, spew out conspiracy theories that COVID-19 was created in a lab (which has been proven false), as well as show random clips from a teenager's social media post of him making a 'cop bomb' in an attempt to paint the Black Lives Matter movement in a dark light. Murdoch Media such as Sky News would never highlight any facts that go against their agenda (e.g. that 93% of the Black Lives Matter protests were peaceful), because their priority isn't the truth, it's manipulating the people into seeing the world through their lens.

Therefore, I ask that the Senate support the establishment of a Murdoch Royal Commission.