

The Secretary

Senate Standing Committee on Environment, Communications and the Arts

Dear Committee Secretary

I am appalled by Mr. Conway's announcement Sept 15 that the Government has decided to arbitrarily cut the heart out of a company that my wife and I, together with all the other "mum and dads", invested our savings in ... not expecting any huge gain but to support an Australian institution with a future.

The Government's approach is heavy-handed and un-Australian and should be halted and halted EARLY so that the shareholders can stop fretting about the consequences, and so that Telstra employees can go back to running the company.

Sincerely

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