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Dear Ms Dermody

Re: Inquiry into Ticket Scalping in Australia

Thank you for your letter of the 18th of December. At present ticket scalping is not really an issue for Australian Basketball.

We reflected on measures already in use in the leisure industry to deter scalpers or ticket re-selling, however many require driver's licenses or credit cards and are only applicable to adults.

Live sport, especially when shown in alcohol free venues, may be appropriate for groups of young people to attend prior to the age when they have these forms of identification.

Whilst scalping or selling fraudulent tickets may be undesirable, excessive controls run the risk of penalising people buying tickets as gifts for others or whose circumstances change between the date of purchase and the event.

Basketball Australia would support an awareness-raising campaign about issues related to scalping should the government run one.

Warm Regards

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