

I am appalled at the government proposal to amend the SBS Act to allow SBS to broadcast even more advertisements and force the station to become even more commercialised than it already is.

SBS is a most intelligent, thought-provoking and internationally oriented TV channel. In its own way, it is amongst the world's best. How they do this is a miracle. While the ABC is dumbing down to the lowest common denominator in its viewers, the SBS continues to provide a fascinating range of programs and treat its viewers as mature, well-educated and well-informed adults despite receiving far less funding than the ABC

To further handicap the SBS when the commercial TV networks to receive a massive windfall in the form of licence fee cuts, would be a truly shameful act by Prime Minister Abbott and Minister Turnbull. Providing additional funding for SBS would prove that the PM is aiming for a "clever country"

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