

Dear Members of the Senate Review into the ABC,

As an Australian citizen I expect the ABC to be a quality provider of information across the spectrum of news & culture and to be a producer of innovative quality programming. I want a broadcaster that provides me with considered opinions from a range of standpoints rather than sensational reportage and “infotainment”. There is a duty to future generations that there remains at least one forum for critical thinking and exploration of Australian culture in the broadcasting field.

It is very important that:

1. the ABC to be less dependent on outsourced programming
2. the ABC to be funded and rebuilt so that it has strong specialist units to produce high levels of high quality and genuinely local in-house programming in all program genres on radio, TV and online
3. a public broadcaster that is focused on diversity and quality, not ratings

Yours faithfully,

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