From: Barrie Baker Sent: Thursday, 26 July 2001 12:03 AM To: ecita.sen@aph.gov.au Subject: Selection of Membership of the Board of the ABC

Dear Committee

I espouse the following principles:

1) That ABC Board members be chosen a (quasi) judicial body.

2) That this body use criteria that emphasize -

- commitment to broadcasting
- experience in at least one aspect of broadcast functions
- political and commercial independence
- broad acceptance by the whole community

3) That the period of appointment be five years.

4) That the relevant Minister of the Crown be responsible for the good functioning of the board, stepping in only when he is convinced of inappropriate conduct on, or by, it.

Yours sincerely

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