From: Marianne Gemperle [Sent: Tuesday, 7 August 2001 5:52 PM To: ecita.sen@aph.gov.au Subject: Inquiry on ABC Board Appointments

I am writing to express my concern about the status of the ABC. The severe reduction in funding suggests political interference from politicians afraid to be scrutinized by the media. To resist this a strong independent Board needs to be established which in no way is tied to the government of the day. Trust that your Inquiry will ensure that this will be the case in future.

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