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To the Secretary
Senate Environ.Comm,Info,Tech and the Arts Ref.C'ttee

Dear Sir/Madam

My family and I no longer have any confidence in the impartiality of the present Board and Managing Director of the ABC. I feel they are influenced by the current government and have no real belief or commitment to independent, quality public broadcasting. The system of appointments should be changed and a new system introduced which appoints people on merit, who are qualified in broadcasting and who passionately believe in the independence of our public broadcaster, the ABC.

The ABC's budget should be increased so quality programs can be maintained and more Australian programs can be made eg telemovies This is part of our culture. We can sell our programs overseas, rather than repeat hackneyed British comedies.

Yours sincerely,

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