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The Hon John Murphy MP
Chair
Standing Committee on Petitions
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Dear Mr Murphy

Petition regarding a request to reinstate lawn bowls broadcasting by the ABC

Thank you for your correspondence dated 19 March 2012, regarding a petition requesting the reinstatement of lawn bowls on the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC).

I understand that in accordance with House Standing Order 209 (b) I am obliged to provide the Standing Committee on Petition with a response within 90 days of presentation.

I note that this petition is identical to a petition that was tabled in the House on 23 November 2011, to which the Australian Government tabled a response on 13 February 2012. I request that you refer this recent petitioner to the government's tabled response.

Thank you for bringing this important issue to my attention.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Conroy
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