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Dear Sir,

The 'likely' decimation of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation is cause for great concern. Our national broadcaster must be independent & and adequately financed by the government. It must be absolutely non commercial. So far, at least Quantum and probably other very informative programmes are to be axed. The science department is threatened with closure.

There is indignation that some if not many of the presently employed very professional broadcasters are to be ruthlessly dismissed. Over the years these skilled people have become part of the daily lives of so many of us.

It is very worrying that the emphasis on Australian culture in all its aspects will be sadly diminished.

Jonathan Shier and most of his appointees must go.

Yours sincerely
 Helen Turner

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