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The Secretary,
House Communications Committee,
Parliament House,
CANBERRA. 2600

45 North Street,
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I have retired to a semi-rural area outside Brisbane and depend on Radio National for a good deal of intellectual stimulation. I listen to the following programmes frequently and discuss the content with my friends.

I never listen to commercial radio or watch commercial television - not even during the Olympic Games. I frequently watch SBS TV and feel the richer for its availability.

I am very much concerned about threats to the quality and intellectual integrity of the ABC and the chiselling away of a great national asset.

Radio National -
from 7.00 am to 8.30 am and the Health Report and the Law Report
4.00 pm for the repeat of Late Night Live
Saturday at noon - the Science Show
Sunday from 8 am for Correspondent's Report, the short story
and Ockam's Razor, at middday, in the National Interest
frequently Sunday 9.00 am for Background Briefing - depending
on my interest in the topic of the day and other demands on
my time.
Sometimes after 5.00 pm at the week-end for specific talks or
lecture series

My television viewing is very selective - always The Bill and
SBS news. Frequently ABC news and the 7.30 Report. If I don't
watch these programmes it is because I feel I have been
adequately informed by ABC Radio during the day.
If I watch Landline I listen to In the National Interest the
next day.

I am appalled at the standard of some recent British comedy
programmes.

If this letter is not appropriate for the terms of your
enquiry, please pass it on to Mr. Shier or however is threatening
MY ABC.

Yours faithfully,

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