COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Broadcasting Services Act 1992

AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING AUTHORITY (INVESTIGATION) DIRECTION (No. 2 of 2000)

I, RICHARD KENNETH ROBERT ALSTON, Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts direct the Australian Broadcasting Authority under subsection 171(1) of the *Broadcasting Services Act 1992* (the Act):

- (a) to conduct an investigation into:
 - (i) which events should be removed from the Broadcasting Services (Events) Notice No. 1 of 1994 (the Notice), under section 115(2) of the Act; and
 - (ii) which events should be added to the Notice, under section 115(1A) of the Act; and
 - (iii) the date or dates on which protection should expire for events that the ABA considers should be retained in or added to the Notice; and
- (b) in conducting the investigation, to have regard to the policy that an event should only be included in the Notice if the event has been consistently broadcast by free-to-air television broadcasters is the past five years; and
- (c) to give a copy of the report on the investigation to me by 30 June 2001.

In this instrument an *event* includes events of a specified kind or a series of events.

Dated

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RICHARD ALSTON Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts