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The Secretary  
Senate Communications, IT, Arts References Committee  
S 157 Parliament House  
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Dear Committee Members:

I am concerned about the diminishing quality of ABC programming, e.g. loss of Quantum; regular appearance of antiquated movies.

Lateline for many years was a fabulous quality interview format. It was, quite literally, one of the best TV shows on the planet. Now it has just become another news show, nothing special at all. Why would somebody do that? The ABC must not be manipulated to serve the government of the day. It must serve the developing awareness of the people of Australia. That means: in-depth politics and news features; quality music and arts; screening of top quality shows purchased / rented from USA, Canada, and UK.

With best regards,

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