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**To the Members of the Senate Inquiry on the ABC Board Appointments**

I wish to express my concern about the present system of appointments to the ABC Board.

The current ABC Board has rarely protested at the government's cuts to the ABC, nor challenged the government's regular attacks on the broadcaster's integrity and independence.

The loss of important programs such as Quantum and Media Watch is of great concern to me.

I believe the present Board and the Managing Director of the ABC no longer have the confidence of the public and they should resign immediately.

I call on the Senate Inquiry to recommend that the Parliament introduce a system which ensures members of the ABC Board are appointed on the basis of commitment to independent and comprehensive national public broadcasting.

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