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Subject: Inquiry on ABC Board

It is with some relief I discover than someone is about to inquire into the ABC. Having written many times to express my dismay at what I see as the undermining of the ABC by the Board and the Federal Government, it is not before time that both Board and Government be taken to task at what has occurred since Mr J Shier became Managing Director. Neither new members of the Board or Mr Shier appointed for their expertise in media but clearly to do what the government required in muzzling the ABC.

It is my hope that this Senate inquiry will recommend a system which will bring about the appointment of board members who are committed to independent and comprehensive public broadcasting.

I request that the Senate inquiry recommends a return to quality local productions, a replacement of talented staff, and return of opoular programs including Quadrant and Media Watch.

Yours sincerely,

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