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Dear Sir,

in regard to the Inquiry on A.B.C. Board Appointments I am writing to express the need for an independant broadcaster. The A.B.C. is essential to the communications and cultural life of this country. It must be resourced adequately and should be free of interference from all political pressures. The present system is clearly unsatisfactory as can be seen as the A.B.C. struggles to accommodate the unrelenting criticism that is hurled at it.

The present system of appointments is unsatisfactory. It allows any government to stack the board with partisan people who share the philosophy of the government. These then act in the interests of the government and usually against the wishes of the people. We must have an independant A.B.C.

Regards, Patricia Rayner.
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