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Senate Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References
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Dear Sir/Madam,

As part of my preparation towards a PhD at the University of South Australia, I surveyed for the Australian Sports Commission, various aspects of Ethical Governance of Australian National Sporting Organisations. Attached is a copy of this Report, which can also be found on the ASC website.

Of particular interest to the Inquiry could be the following:

1. There is an imbalance in the governance of sport at the national level with 60.9% of governing bodies being males. P. 5&17).
2. An important ethical issue was the need for equal opportunities to be available to all players, athletes and board members so they can perform at the highest level. (P.5 &17).
3. A 'Women in Sport' Focus Group was held in Adelaide with some of the leading women with experience in the governance of sport at the national level. A summary of the topics discussed, and practical examples of what they considered important ethical governance issues for women's sport in Australia can be found on Page 44-47 of the Report.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further clarification or information.

Sincerely,

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