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From: Sally Jackson < <u>Jackson.Sally@abc.net.au</u>>
Date: Thursday, 18 April 2019 at 1:21 pm

To: Gaven Morris < Morris. Gaven@abc.net.au >, Emma McDonald < McDonald. Emma@abc.net.au >

Subject: FW: The Drum and the IPA

Fyi. Annie White, Gav Fang and Tim Ayliffe are all across this.

From: Sally Jackson

Sent: Thursday, 18 April 2019 1:21 PM

To: 'Chris Kenny' < chris.kenny@skynews.com.au

Subject: RE: The Drum and the IPA

Hi Chris, your email was forwarded to me. Response, attributable to an ABC spokesperson:

The Drum draws on a database of more than 500 people for its panels and aims for a diversity of guests and viewpoints from a range of sources. IPA representatives continue to be a part of this mix, as they have been previously.

Cheers.

From: Chris Kenny < chris.kenny@skynews.com.au>

Sent: Thursday, 18 April 2019 11:01 AM
To: Annie White < White. Annie@abc.net.au >

Subject: The Drum and the IPA

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