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Statement from Barrie Cassidy,

‘For the first time federally One Nation could be a serious player, competitive in a whole host of seats in the lower house. So the media now needs to take them seriously and hold them to account in the same way they do the major parties.

‘Sometimes the media think claims are so self evidently ridiculous and wrong that they don’t need correction; that the statements condemn themselves. That can’t be the mindset. Falsehoods need to be corrected at the time and in subsequent reporting. Otherwise they fester particularly on social media.’