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Statement from Sally Neighbour, Former Executive Producer, Four Corners

The 4 Corners story was an important and worthwhile contribution, as Australians grapple to understand the terrible events of December 14 and the failures of intelligence and policing that preceded them.

Reporting on these issues is extremely difficult in Australia due to the stifling secrecy imposed by governments and agencies on anything to do with national security.

The ABC and 4 Corners are to be commended for their pursuit of a story that was demonstrably in the public interest, in the face of the unhelpful and aggressive response from ASIO to their questions.