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Statement from Matthew Carney, Former Executive Producer, Four Corners

The programs Cocaine Nation and Meth Highway were referred up for editorial advice, and went through a rigorous fact check, verification and legal process.

More than two years after broadcast rumors emerged that a source could be compromised in one of these stories and I started an investigation.

Late last year I received a confidential email outlining there was probable misrepresentations of an anonymous interviewee.

I was shocked by the contents and did my own inquiries and the ABC investigated the matter after I had retired.