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Subject: Political interference in the ABC

I am very pleased that Ms. Buttrose, as Chair of the ABC, has strongly responded to the proposal by Senator Andrew Bragg to run a Senate enquiry into the ABC's complaint resolution process.

As a member of the government, the Senator's proposal is very close to interference with the ABC's stated independence, and he could not be unaware of that.

It's a form of bullying, which the Coalition government has longstanding form with.

A previous communications minister, ex-Senator Fifield, regularly wrote letters of complaint to the ABC.

The ABC is impartial, and polls show regularly that the ABC is massively trusted.

Which, ironically, I think such claim would not be levied at the current government.

Don't take any destructive or inappropriate behaviour from them.

Regards,

