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SUBMISSION RE AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING SERVICES IN THE ASIA PACIFIC REVIEW

To whom it may concern,

We are a group of concerned radio presenters/producers covering people from regions of the Pacific at Radio Skid Row 88.9fm (2RSR) in Marrickville, Sydney, who strongly support the restoration of Australia's voice to the Asia-Pacific region through the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

As a community radio station, 2RSR reports on current events as well as local and international news for those from Pacific nations living in Australia. Established 35 years ago, 2RSR shares the values of the ABC in seeking to offer informed and specialist coverage of the region.

The community radio platform supports and, at times, works together with the ABC in the complementary aim of quality broadcast delivery for Pacific nations' people. 2RSR believes that the ABC shortwave transmission was a trusted and vital service and needs to be restored to support this important exchange.

This review is especially of interest as we have recently observed, unsurprisingly, that a number of countries have acquired a renewed focus on the Pacific region.

Also of note is the unwavering support of our radio colleagues in New Zealand, RNZ Pacific, who continue to transmit and receive news and information from Pacific nations.

We wish to ensure our many friends and colleagues in the Pacific have access to quality coverage of their region and believe that this is an invaluable opportunity to renew and refocus on quality broadcast media for this vital world region.

2RSR PACIFIC PROGRAMS

'E Taki Au Si'ao Maama (Tongan Program)
Te Whanau Puoro Kaupapa (Maori Program)
Nu'u Samoa
Troika (Cook Islands Program)
Leotaogo Niue Sitini;
Le'o 'o e Tonga (Tongan Gospel)
Voice of Melanesia
Domo-I-Viti Ena Vukelulu (Fiji Program)

This submission can be published.

Best regards,

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