Briefing Notes

ABA Investigates Canwest-Ten

As part of its continuing investigation into control of the Ten television network, the ABA on November 18 requested documents on a range of issues from Canadian company Canwest Global Communications Corp (Canwest) and the Ten Group Ltd. See page 2.

ABA proposes changes to **Australian content on TV**

The ABA has proposed changes to the program standard which governs Australian content on commercial television. See page 3.

Consultation cool for kids

'Cool' or 'Gross': Children's Attitudes to Violence, Kissing and Swearing on Television examines what concerns, bothers or upsets children about what they see on television and the degree to which rules and routines relating to television exist in the home. See page 4.

New policy fine tunes radio temporary transmissions

The ABA has announced its new policy for temporary transmissions by aspirant community radio groups. See page 5.

Promising signals for new community radio stations

Temporary transmissions foster the development of community radio. See page 6.

ABA tunes in to complaints about radio

The commercial radio codes of practice have procedures for handling listeners' complaints. See page 11.

Prime Media issued 45 pay TV licences

The ABA has allocated 45 licences for non-satellite pay TV broadcasting services to Prime Media Developments Pty Ltd. See page 12.

Creative Australian broadcasting

The Creative Nation statement marks out an important role for the ABA. See page 17.

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