

## News Update

## Visits to the ABA

## Visit by the Chairman of the Korean Broadcasting Commission

SYDNEY: A delegation from the Korean Broadcasting Commission (KBC), led by the Chairman, Mr Kim Chang-Yul, paid a courtesy call on Mr Peter Webb, then Chairman of the ABA, on Monday 29 September. Mr Kim was accompanied by Dr Ahn Min-Ho, Mr Ham Sang-Gyoo and Mr Eom Jong-Hwan of the KBC and Mr Kyu Euk Chung from the Embassy of the Republic of Korea.

Mr Kim assured Mr Webb and the incoming Chairman of the ABA, Professor David Flint, as well as the Deputy Chairman, Mr Gareth Grainger, of the KBC's continuing good relations with the ABA. On behalf of KBC, he thanked the ABA for accommodating the attachment of two of its staff.

The KBC and the ABA formalised their relationship in a memorandum of understanding signed in June 1996. The KBC and the ABA are also amongst the founding participants of the Regulatory Roundtable for Asia and the Pacific and the visit provided an opportunity to convene one of the working parties established during the inaugural meeting of the Regulatory Roundtable held in Tokyo in June 1997. The working party on transborder broadcasting held its first meeting

L to R: ABA
Chairman,
Professor David
Flint; former
ABA Chairman,
Peter Webb
and Korean
Broadcasting
Commission
(KBC)
Chairman, Kim
Chang-Yul.





L to R: Sang-Gyoo Ham and Jong-Hwan Eom with former ABA Chairman, Peter Webb.

on Tuesday 1 October. It was chaired by KBC and included participants from the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications, Japan, and the ABA. The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, India, also a member of the working party, was unable to attend.

Mr Kim said he was looking forward to hosting the Regulatory Roundtable meeting in 1998 and he hoped Professor Flint would be able to attend.

The two KBC staff members, Mr Ham Sang-Gyoo and Mr Eom Jong-Hwan, have completed their attachment with the ABA. During their stay, they called on the Australian Film Television and Radio School, the Federation of Australian Commercial Television Stations, Channel Ten, ABC, SBS, and the Office of Film and Literature Classification.

## Visit by member of the Movie and Television Review and Classification Board, Philippines

SYDNEY: Mr Ray Pedroche, member of the Movie and Television Review and Classification Board in the Philippines, paid a courtesy call to the ABA on Thursday 16 October. He met the Chairman, Professor David Flint, and also renewed his acquaintance with Mr Gareth Grainger, Deputy Chairman. Mr Pedroche and Mr Grainger met earlier in the year when they both attended the inaugural meeting of the Regulatory Roundtable for Asia and the Pacific in Tokyo.

While at the ABA, Mr Pedroche also met with staff to discuss matters relating to delivery systems for television services, such as cable and satellite, as well standards concerning Australian content and children's programming.



L to R: ABA Chairman, Professor David Flint; Member of the Movie and Television Review and Classification Board, Philippines, Ray Pedroche and Gareth Grainger, ABA Deputy Chairman.

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