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To: Nerida O'Loughlin and Assistant
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Hi Nerida,

Here is the draft media material for your consideration. As discussed at Chair's meeting, Carolyn has provided some feedback that we have incorporated into the release, including referencing that this is the second breach finding for the program this year and that we have limited powers to compel the ABC to take any remedial action.

Noting that it's likely the ABC will publicly criticise the finding and our understanding of accountability journalism, you might prefer that quotes be a bit more pointed.

We are scheduled to publish next Thursday, 17 September and have agreed to publish the ABC's final submissions alongside the investigation report.

Regards,

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