



AFIC Calls for Transparency and Independence in the Wake of Recent Events at ABC

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The Australian Federation of Islamic Councils (AFIC), established in 1964 as the Peak Muslim Organization, has expressed deep concern over the recent revelations surrounding the termination of journalist Antoinette Lattouf from the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) and through an open letter as follows called for a ***comprehensive inquiry into pro-Israeli influence at the ABC and cultural institutions.***

AFIC believes that an impartial investigation is essential to uphold the principles of free press, diversity, and independence in journalism.

Key points AFIC is urging the inquiry to address include:

1. Examining the decision-making process leading to Lattouf's dismissal.
2. Investigating the extent of external influence from groups such as Lawyers for Israel
3. Assessing the impact of external pressures on the ABC's commitment to journalistic independence and diversity.
4. Reviewing the broader context of any campaigns targeting media and cultural institutions to ensure the integrity of these organizations.

AFIC remains committed to fostering an inclusive and diverse media landscape that reflects the plurality of voices within the Australian community. The organization believes that a transparent and thorough investigation will help restore confidence in the principles of journalistic integrity and independence.

About AFIC

Established in 1964, the Australian Federation of Islamic Councils (AFIC) serves as the Peak Muslim Organization in Australia. With State Councils in every state and over 150 members, AFIC has a rich history of pioneering numerous community services and remains an active peak organization advocating for the rights and representation of the Muslim community.

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