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The worst television programme that I have ever seen was on I.T.V. when the Prime Minister attempted to have a question and answer session with what could only be described as female yobbos! He was constantly interrupted and drowned out when answering questions. He was met with slow handclapping at the end. Trevor McDonald who chaired the programme remained impassive throughout. This was a disgrace and I am afraid that in recent years the B.B.C. have also gone down this route. For a public funded body this is not acceptable.

Ever since the demise of the British Empire there has been no role for the B.B.C. and they have created their own agenda. They believe they are the unofficial opposition to the elected government. B.B.C.'s John Humphries and Jeremy Paxman have been quoted as expressing the view that Government Ministers are liars. "Newsnight" accused Ian Duncan Smith of misappropriation of public funds, erroneously, but if the B.B.C. were monitored by impartial people instead of the B.B.C. governors then those impartial people would be fully occupied investigating misappropriation of public funds by the B.B.C. themselves, starting with their attempt to bring down the government.

The staff at the B.B.C. are third division operators receiving Premiership wages. Fiona Bruce is reputed to be the highest paid broadcaster in British television earning approx. £8,000 per week. The most junior news-reader is reputed to earn £3,000 per week. At the peak news time (6p.m.) 2 people read the main news which means that they read the auto-cue for exactly 15 mins. each. Any sports meeting covered by the B.B.C. in recent times have doubled or trebled the number on the payroll. The number used at Wimbledon now is approaching the number of players.

During the 2nd. World War people in occupied Europe used to listen to the B.B.C. under penalty of death. The word of the B.B.C. at that time was sacrosanct. Unfortunately, not any more.

Two days after the slaughter in Madrid I was listening to Adrian Byles on B.B.C. Radio 5 live where he presents a sports programme. He finds time, three quarters of an hour in fact, to pour scorn and insult on the British and American governments. I was stunned when he said, and I quote, "The massacre in Madrid got in the way of significant events." "Got in the way?" Is this guy real? Byles then attempted to justify the actions of the terrorists. It won't happen, but I get the impression that the B.B.C. would not be unhappy if the coalition was not successful in Iraq.

The B.B.C. hasn't been a public service broadcaster for some years. Recently, the police mounted a large operation at main line and underground stations, checking passes and tickets, looking out for known criminals. Not only did Peter Allen on Radio 5 live broadcast what the police were doing but he also gave the times. No doubt the criminal fraternity appreciated it. Again on B.B.C., Kurt Barling produced "Who killed P.C. Blakelock?" (2nd March) and attempted to justify the sickening murder of this brave policeman, as if you could. These programmes are fiction and convey anything the B.B.C. want them to.

The jury is out on the B.B.C.'s attitude to the Monarchy. They said no one would turn up for the Queens Golden Anniversary. They only changed their mind at the passing of the Queen Mother when many, many people insisted on paying their respects as the Queen Mother lie in state. It was the public that forced the Westminster Hall to remain open 24 hrs. a day.

I find it difficult to understand the anti-American stance of the B.B.C. At the time of 9/11 Ricky Bampbell had a phone-in programme on Radio 5 live. He posed the question "Who was responsible for the massacre at the twin towers in New York?" Over ninety per cent of the callers were Muslim, and, they and Bampbell came to

the conclusion that it was the American's own fault for selling arms to the Middle East. The interesting thing was that a man was so incensed with the bias of the B.B.C. that he spent the whole programme getting through to express his disgust. In the second World War and the bold War the American people came to the rescue of democracy. Please don't tell me the old chestnut that they only entered World War II because of Pearl Harbour. President Roosevelt was supplying us with naval vessels via Canada long before then. We had lost so many merchant ships through German U-boats that without the American aid we would have been starved into submission. The American people have proved to be our greatest ally for all time.

B.B.C.'s Peter Allen could hardly contain his excitement as he watched the toppling of an effigy of George Bush in Trafalgar Square.

The question of the B.B.C. is not about their independence, but do they undermine the British constitution? Do they undermine Parliament? Do they undermine the Monarchy? Do they undermine British Institutions like the Armed Forces and the Police etc?

I think the answer to these questions is that they do.

Instead of the B.B.C. expanding their activities they should be reduced to the very minimum with the equivalent reduction in public funding. Any extra B.B.C. services should be voluntary pay to view. It could be, in time, that the licence fee could be abolished.

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