

BBC Charter Review Consultation  
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Dear Sirs,

BBC Charter Review  
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What I think we need is a return to the original charter of the BBC, from which it has strayed away, most notably in the past few years.

I am aged 66 and have listened to the radio since being a very small child and over the years it has given me much pleasure. I was aged 15 at the time of the Queen's coronation which I was able to watch on a small 9" TV owned by my parents.

However <sup>a</sup>over the years I have become very disillusioned with BBC TV. We only receive the normal 5 channels and I watch mainly news and documentary programmes. In fact my husband and I watch more TV midday and afternoons than we do in the evenings.

There is far too much sex and violence in the evening TV programmes and I am deeply offended by the obscene language particularly on American films shown. (I switch off!)

Regarding the radio, my husband listens to Radio Cambridgeshire and enjoys that. I listen to Radio 4. My favourite programmes are 'Today' and the main news at 1 pm and 6pm.

However again I am becoming increasingly dismayed at even these programmes. I feel the interviewers are much too aggressive and often very rude to those they interview. They often interrupt and do not give people chance to finish a sentence - it is annoying and disconcerting.

The news is totally biased concerning the Middle East. Israel is often referred to as "Palestine" which it is not and the so-called "West Bank" is Judea and Samaria. The name was, I believe given after the 1967 War when Jordan invaded Israel and lost this territory which had been ceded to Israel in 1948. (I am not a Jew, but english born and bred).

AND THERE IS FAR TOO MUCH POLITICAL CORRECTNESS to a point of being ridiculous.

Let us return to the TRUTH, something that is so often sadly lacking. Incidentally I'd rather listen to the news on the World Service as UK news programmes are too narrow.

Yours faithfully,

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*PS An unsatisfactory state of affairs! MJD*