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*To whom it may concern.*

*It has been brought to my attention that the direction The BBC Charter is due to a review, and I would like to express my thoughts on the matter. When my wife and I paid a deposit of £50 on a Box to receive BBC that eventually ceased to be useful and we were left with a box and no deposit after paying who we assumed was BBC's agent in Madrid, we were then told to not send any more money to that agent; but to send money to an address in Sweden, and we were surprised and annoyed to find we were paying Swedish VAT for a British Product!!! Crazy! I am enclosing a copy of a letter I sent to Greg Dyke, which I'm confident never got away from the beyond the bottom floor because I got a stock answer that informed me it had been passed to basically higher authority. And for a chap who left school at fourteen with my other forty odd other pupils in my class I was appalled at the spelling. We can get BBC if we lay out another 1700 euros for a 2.4 Dish and huge concrete base. I will not pay Sky a cent on principle; because I'm of the opinion he has ruined about every thing they have touched especially sport, and football in particular. We can get quite easily get SKY News because it's the method of advertising their other money making programs which are available all over the Continent. Every paper in English has dozens of installers advertising the fact that they can get you the whole SKY package and no need of a British address, just arrange Sterling Payment from a British Bank Account. Sky knows but they do nothing about it because as I've pointed out in my enclosed letter they would lose a heck of a lot of money. I wish my German was better because I could have some very good programs FREE! How do I know this? Easy I have several German neighbours, in some cases they have two small dishes, because the wife is not keen on football, and the husband is, so they have two Televisions. For Germans problem solved. As I've pointed out in my enclosed letter, I would be quite happy to pay Aunty a sensible sum to get BBC legitimately even if it meant getting another box, and paying for a card yearly. But I will not buy Prime which is stuffed full of repeats most of which are on Sky's U/K Gold. The only difference is the time they are on. I like the radio and am very happy that the powers that be let us have Radio 4 and Radio 2. And would be even happier if we could have even more of BBC's Radio output, which again could be through a card.*

*We get BBC World Service via a local English Commercial Radio Station, which is sponsored by a Financial Company, so they must be paying to be able to rebroadcast that. I have friends in America and they say how much better BBC is to what they are getting from their native Television Stations, which are for the most part are controlled by New's Corp which in turn is controlled by a man with the initials=R.M. I think that says it all!!!*

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Yours Sincerely Lindsey Rex Chopping.

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Through not capitalizing on the expats desire to get BBC in SPAIN. Prime is Rubbish, and I stopped subscribing when I started to think I had written the scripts of Dads Army = Only Fools and Horses etcetera. I've carried out a straw poll amongst my friends and all say they would willingly pay a sensible amount, to Auntie, say the same as the licence fee in the U/K. In this day and age when technology is so advanced, surely it is not beyond the wit of the Boffins to come up with a card reader that we could buy, and we could then buy a card each year. Job done. In fact instead of going to the Post-Office in the U/K and paying, if all Britain was on the same system, you could get rid of the detector vans (which only catch a very small number) and you wouldn't have the hassle of going to court and prosecuting the Licence dodgers.

Sky know that if they stopped everyone in Spain paying there would be a large hole in their financial bucket!!! I have Dutch neighbours who let their villa out to Dutch people who come out on holiday, and I've asked them how is it your English is so good, the answer we get the basic in School but we watch BBC quite a lot!

Occasionally I buy the Financial Times because it doesn't seem to have a political agenda. Saturday the 19th full page **Trust me I'm British**. Two whole pages explaining how successful BBC was in America.

I cannot be exact but you must have lost at least £600 off me alone. So if that is multiplied by thousands, thats an awful lot of money gone to waste. That could have been put to good use on programs.

I've heard rumours that there are plans afoot to pick up BBC and retransmit the signal, and again BBC will see none of the money!

And to end on a humorous note with all the dead people in the old programs I thought there was a law against Necrophobia

Yours L R Chopping.