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B.B.C. Charter Review,
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Let me say first of all that most of us will surely enjoy many of the programmes which are broadcast by the BBC. However, in my view, serious criticisms can & should be made in order to bring standards up to the necessary requirements under which the BBC operates. Therefore I make these few points.

①. The BBC in a leaflet, 'Our Commitment to You' says, 'We promise to maintain the highest ethical standards--- and independent of all political, commercial and sectional interests'.

We are coming up to an election soon. Daily we get opinions expressed by members of the three main parties but I have seen nothing by members

of the Green party or the B.N.P. This is absolutely disgraceful & proves that the BBC has no intention of keeping to the rules under which it operates! Hence, some call it the 'Blatant Bias Corporation'.

③ Surely such a programme called, (I seem to remember) 'Jerry Springer - Opera', should never have been delivered? It went well against the ethical standards required.

Also we have had the absolutely nauseating adventures of Billy Connolly and his trips round New Zealand + England. This filthy-tongued creature displays the lowest possible standards & speaks volumes about the modern B.B.C standards compared with a few years ago.

④ The BBC promises 'to provide a balanced mix in prime time on BBC television of music'. Well, we hear some sort of pop music nearly every night but, apart from the Prom season, almost never any classical music!! Why?

I should be surprised if you take any notice of this letter!

Yours sincerely,
Richard A. Cater