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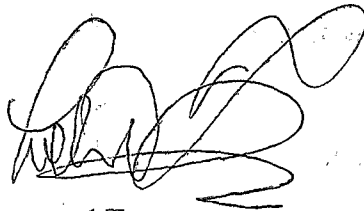
To;  
BBC Charter Review.  
London.

Dear Sirs.

Seeing the advert in the *Daily Telegraph* inviting comments, I thought I would add my 'four-pence worth'.

For those who like the wide variety of sports - there is adequate - indeed, more than adequate! -coverage. TV now includes antique-shows of various kinds. ***But nothing is provided in any way for the millions of people who have other pastimes and hobbies.***

I am an (expert) stamp-collector. There are millions of people in this country who collect stamps at all levels, from the basic 'stamp collector' to the experts in many and varied fields. There is nothing for us - not even a proper programme when the UK has its once-a-decade International Stamp Exhibition. More than 20 years ago, the BBC had a set of 6 programmes 'In the Post' - but nothing since then. There are millions of people who collect other things - a browse along the 'collecting' mags in any Smiths or Menzies will show the range - not to mention the steam-railways and model railways - or people who set up model soldiers to represent some of the famous battles &c.... ***You do not provide anything in the way of programmes for these hobbies and pastimes.*** The football/tennis/cricket/sports fans have their slice of TV time. Let us have a little too please.



Leonard Tann.