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Dear Simon and Michael

## **Corporations Act Advice**

The **attached** is a typed up copy of Bob Bentley's notes of the conversation he had with Harold Mitchell who is the Chairman of TVN. It is a separate issue but one I will discuss when I return from China.

Yours faithfully

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Transcript notes taken of a meeting with Harold Mitchell called at his behest. Meeting held at 8.30am on Friday 29 October 2010 at Dish Restaurant, Royce Hotel, St Kilda Road, Melbourne.

- 1. Talked to Deputy Premier about this and the Government does not want a problem.

  The are not happy with the Sky deal and litigation. Not good for RQL or me.
- 2. RQL and LEK are squarely in deep trouble about their conduct in their negotiations. TVN will go out with the legal challenge.
- 3. The ACCC/ ASIC (I think this is what it is) across the deal and see major Illegal conduct on RQL and in particular RGB for forcing clubs to go with Sky.
- 4. Discussions with BRC Chair who has given up info that will see prosecution for illegal behavior by RQL and LEK.
- The ACCC and others will cause the conflict of interest debate and it will be difficult for me to continue at Tatts with the investigation.
- 6. BRC are saying RGB is the decision maker in this deal and they were forced into making this decision.
- 7. The Gold Coast can run their meetings on TVN at any time they require.
- 8. Packer will buy out Sky anyway so it will be resolved. Packer and our media firm are too strong. RQL will not stand the adverse media.

\*This follows a call earlier in the week from Lingard asking if I have fallen out with the Government.