

undertook that most of the members of the present implementation committee of IMBC would form the Board of the SBS, thus creating a liaison between the two bodies.

We now find, through statements made in the press, that in fact the proposed appointments to the Board of the SBS (with the exception of one member) are of persons not actively involved in or sensitive to ethnic issues, despite their ethnic names.

The choice of Chairman is not acceptable to the Ethnic Communities' Council. If the Chairman of the SBS is not to be a person actively involved in ethnic affairs, then the ECC of Victoria would support the appointment of Mr. Frank Galbally (a proposed member of the Board) as its Chairman.

The ECC of Victoria urges the Government to reconsider the appointments and to honour its commitments to ethnic communities.

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