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## STATEMENT

### **Corene Strauss, CEO**

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Special Olympics Australia was surprised and disgusted by the images seen of Appco staff on the Channel Seven Sunday Night program on 18 June 2017. We were in no way aware of internal competitions such as those seen on the Sunday Night program and are appalled at this despicable behaviour. We have always and will continue to value and protect the athletes and volunteers of Special Olympics Australia above all else.

Viewing this Channel 7 program has reinforced our decision, made in 2015, to cease any relationship we had with Appco.