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ORMSBY WILKINS

Ormsby Wilkin's death will leave an irreplaceable void in Australian journalism.

He was a highly intelligent, knowledgeable and professional newsman.

Although he has at times criticised me and some of my Party's policies, he was always totally fair in giving a right of reply.

He was not a close personal friend, but his untimely death following a courageous fight to live deeply touched me.