INDEPENDENT TELEVISION COMMISSION

VARIATION NUMBER 6, DATED 28 March 2001


WHEREAS

A. The Commission is proposing to vary the conditions included in the Licence in pursuance of Section 33(1) of the Broadcasting Act 1990 in the manner set out below.

B. The Licensee is willing to consent to such variations to the Licence.

NOW THEREFORE the Licence shall be varied in the following manner:

1. Part 1 of the Annex to the Licence shall be varied as set out below:

(a) by replacing Tables 1 and 2 with the following tables:
**Table 1**

**NETWORK (Annual Amounts) Original Productions/Commissions**

<table>
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<th>Required Minimum Hours</th>
<th>Indicative Target Hours</th>
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<tr>
<td>News and Weather</td>
<td>365</td>
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<tr>
<td>Current Affairs*</td>
<td>78</td>
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<tr>
<td>Religion****</td>
<td>104</td>
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<tr>
<td>Children’s (TOTAL)</td>
<td>391***</td>
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<tr>
<td>Drama</td>
<td>75</td>
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<tr>
<td>Information</td>
<td>52</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pre-schools</td>
<td>70</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>938</strong></td>
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* Excludes consumer programmes  
** Excludes night-time (midnight to 0600) except for religion (see below)  
*** Children’s programmes including acquired to amount to not less than 520 hours  
**** At least 78 hours of religion to be shown before midnight and at least 104 hours before 1:00am

**Table 2**

**REGIONAL (Annual Amounts)**

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<th>Programme Strand</th>
<th>Required Minimum Hours</th>
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<tr>
<td>News</td>
<td>241</td>
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<tr>
<td>Current Affairs</td>
<td>26</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>190</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td><strong>457</strong></td>
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(b) by inserting a new Condition 2(a)(iii):

"accords with the requirements of the following Diversity Statement:

Network Service

The ITV network service will provide all viewers with a range of high quality programmes appealing to a wide variety of tastes and interests throughout the schedule but particularly during the period between 6pm and 10:30pm daily ("peak hours"). The network service will provide a generally higher level of original production than other commercial channels, particularly at peak hours, and there will be examples of programme innovation, creative ambition and landmark programming in each quarter's schedule appropriate to ITV's role as a mass audience service. A significant amount of original drama, entertainment and information programmes, including those designed for children, fulfilling a range of purposes and in different styles and formats, will form the foundation of the schedule, and national and international news will have an important place in it. The network service will support the diversity of cultures in the UK, including a strong commitment to regionality both through regional programmes and network production commissions.

Night-time service (midnight-0600)

In addition to the minimum requirements set out in Table 1, the licensee will provide a mixed programme service during the period midnight to 0600, all or part of which may be commissioned, acquired and scheduled on its behalf by ITV Network Limited. The schedule at this time will normally include news, feature films, current affairs, sport, entertainment, factual (including documentaries), arts programmes and text based information. Regional programmes and information may also be included. Diversity across these programmes categories will be achieved over the course of any week. The
schedule will include selected repeats of programmes first shown on ITV outside these hours. An appropriate balance will be maintained between commissioned and acquired programmes within the 65% original productions/commissions quota that applies to ITV’s annual output as a whole.

Regional Service

As a regional public service broadcaster, the Licensee commits to the following: the regional service will include news and current affairs programming of at least the minimum amounts specified in Table 2. In addition, the regional service will seek to respond creatively to the evolving and wide range of tastes, interests and communities within the region or nation and include material which is socially purposive, has educational value and reflects the cultural, artistic, sporting and spiritual life and identity of the region or nation. Diversity may be enhanced by the inclusion of both studio and location-based programmes, including coverage of major events, and a mix of one-off documentaries, magazine formats and discrete series. Regional programmes shall reflect a high level of ambition no less than network programmes, and shall be appropriately researched and resourced. Some should be capable of being regarded as landmark series of particular distinction or programmes which break new ground.”

(c) in Condition 4A(a)(1) by inserting the following after the words “duration at 6:30pm” and before the semi-colon:

“(with exceptions permitted to accommodate coverage of major live events)”

(d) by inserting a new Condition 6:

“Licensee’s Commitment

(a) In respect of 2001 and each subsequent year, by dates to be notified by the Commission, the Licensee shall:
(i) following consultation with the Commission, publish, in a manner best calculated to make it widely available in the relevant nation or region, a rolling annual commitment as to the nature, scale and diversity of the regional service which it will deliver pursuant to the Licence in the following calendar year and any major programme proposals for the subsequent calendar year ("the rolling annual commitment"). If any major new investment (whether financial or otherwise) is planned for the service including studios, facilities and staff, the Licensee should refer to this in its rolling annual commitment. The rolling annual commitment will allow for changes in the regional service while specifying as clearly as possible how the Licensee intends to meet its obligations under Condition 2(a)(ii) and 2(a)(iii) of Part 1 of the Annex to provide material of a high quality and varied nature;

(ii) following consultation with the Commission publish, in a manner best calculated to make it widely available in the relevant nation or region, a written report of the extent to which the Licensee has fulfilled its commitments in the rolling annual commitment for the regional service for the previous year ("the self-assessment report");

(iii) procure the publication by ITV Network Limited of rolling annual commitments and self-assessment reports dealing with the network service and night-time service, in a manner best calculated to make them widely available in the UK and following consultation by ITV Network Limited with the Commission;

(b) The Commission may at its discretion publish the rolling annual commitments and self-assessment reports, for example on its website, subsequent to their publication by the Licensee and ITV Network Limited;
(c) The Commission may take the rolling annual commitments and the extent to which the Licensee has fulfilled them into account when carrying out its annual review of the Licensee’s performance in the provision of the Licensed Service ("the annual review");

(d) The rolling annual commitments for the calendar year 2001 shall be deemed to be the statements published by the Licensee and ITV Network Limited in spring 2001”.

2. This variation to the Licence shall come into force upon the execution of this document by both parties.

3. This document shall be construed as if it formed part of the Licence and shall be governed by English Law.

SIGNED FOR THE INDEPENDENT TELEVISION COMMISSION BY

[Signature]
Deputy Secretary

In pursuance of Section 33(3) of the Broadcasting Act 1990 the Licensee hereby consents to the variation to the Licence in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this document.

Dated 28 March 2001

SIGNED

[Signature]
Director/Secretary

For and on behalf of Granada Television Limited