



Age Stereotyping and Television: Hearing Before the Select Committee on Aging, House of Representatives, Ninety-Fifth Congress, First Session, September 8, 1977 (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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