THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This petition of members of Melville Amnesty Group

Draws to the attention of the house a Commonwealth Legislative or administrative matter which we understand the house has power to act on.

Dileer Mezori, Kurd and Moslem, became a covert Christian in 2010. In 2011 word reached him that some family members were coming to kill him He fled to Jordan, obtained a visitor visa, Flew here and applied for permanent visa on 6/10/2011

Visa Review Tribunal on August 10 2012, upheld his appeal, indicated visa would be issued within 3 months.

His Visa Status Letter enabed him to obtain Tax File number, medicare card, and allows work rights.

Three and a half years after arrival his visa is still pending.

Medicare card renewal has been straightforward. Medicare now require a current letter from Immigration Department stating that his visa is in **process**.

He has to contact his legal representative every 3 months to obtain such letter.

He has been unable to obtain regular work with just the VEVO printout, as it has no expiry date.

We therefore ask the house to direct the Minister for Immigration to ensure that the department expedite the process of his permanent Protection Visa so that he may obtain regular work, and to direct the Minister for Health to ensure that the medicare renewal is made straightforward unless the visa is cancelled by the immigration department.