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Regarding Inquiry into Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament.

Please take into consideration the closure of all uranium, mining enrichment and waste disposal facilities on Australian soil.

Please do not allow Australia to be the disposal point for unwanted waste.

Why close the industry down?

Their toxic waste is pumped unscrupulously into the groundwater of Central Australia. The very water that may one day be our primary source of water for crops and townships.

What about the loss of jobs? The small number of people employed in this industry will find healthier more desirable jobs elsewhere.

What about the loss of taxes? The taxes gained from companies operating in this space may be significant, but the portion of company tax paid directly from uranium activity is negligible. Furthermore loss of taxes from individuals should be only temporary.

How does this assist in guidance for nuclear no proliferation? No uranium no participation, except in an advisory role.

Regards,

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