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To: Committee, EM (REPS)

Subject: Submission

Message:

To: The Committee Secretary, JSCEM

Dear Sir,

Please accept this submission for the JSCEM's Inquiry into the 2007 Federal Election. ADD YOUR TEXT HERE

Australians living outside Australia have a valid perspective on Australian politics. As members of the growing global community with the ability to remain connected through technology, their opinions are becoming increasingly important. Decisions made in any one place in the world need to have a global perspective. Australians living abroad nowadays are in constant contact with family friends, colleagues, news, trends and opinions. By not being able to vote, the federal government is alienating valuable members of the country.