Australian Parliament Joint Standing Committee on Migration Submission no. 320

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Maria Vamvakinou MP, Chair, Joint Standing Committee on Migration, Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Ms VamVakinou

I would like to express my concern about Muslim immigration into Australia.

Over the years many of the Muslims have indicated by word and deed that they do not respect the rights of other people in western countries to leave Islam or cease practicing their religion.

They have endeavoured to retain enclaves of Muslims and live apart from others. They are free to do that of course and one would not interfere unless they break the law. However people who don't want to continue being Muslims are Australian residents and whatever the religion says about that they have a right to reject Islam without any sort of harassment or violence from other Muslims.

As Australian residents such people have as much right as anyone else to join another religion or join no religion and unless Muslim immigrants give specific undertakings to respect Australian laws in this regard they should not be allowed into Australia.

Overseas experience shows that Muslims have tried to take over parts of cities such as Paris and have caused major problems for other residents. For instance by not allowing them to enter some parts of Paris when Friday prayers are on or to carry on businesses in Muslim districts.

There is enough experience there to show that going down this road is a high risk operation and one that we cannot afford to take.

Yours truly