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To the Committee Secretary.

The impact of migration in terms of economic, social and culture can be both beneficial and harmful.

There is a great deal of difference between 'immigration' and 'multiculturalism'. As this country has been based on and fought for our Christian heritage, requiring migrants to assimilate into our existing culture would ensure the continuation of democracy and freedom we enjoy here.

We can share the good parts of a particular ethnic culture but cannot be asked to change as a nation to suit their laws and values. This is not racist - it is a fact that all cultures are not equal as all nation's laws and values are not equally good. It has been the perception by most Australian's that 'Multiculturalism' meant that we accept people from other countries because they want to come here and 'be Australian'.

Allowing other cultures to impose their 'worldview' opens up the danger of our democratic values being eroded. Evidence from Europe is now so clear as to what the results of today's multiculturalism really are. Here in the West the idea of democracy is seen very differently to the way other countries view it. We don't have to look very hard to see what disaster comes from a regime lead by dictatorship.

Please be mindful that Sharia law is seen by Muslims as being a democracy. If the modern idea of 'Multiculturalism' merges with the true Islamic idea that the whole world needs to be Islamic and live under Sharia law then we have a lot to lose as a nation. Muslim Imams have stated that Western democracy is an offense to Islam.

In closing, the freedom we enjoy here is based on Christian values. It comes from believing all people are equal but all worldviews (eg: involving Sharia law which clashes with Western democracy) are not.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.