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Dr Andrew Southcott MP Committee Chair Joint Standing Committee on Treaties Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Dr Southcott,

Thank you for your letter of 10 May 2006 regarding the proposed international agreements that are being reviewed by the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties.

Your letter invited comment on the following international agreements tabled in Parliament on 10 May 2006:

• Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the United States of America on Cooperation in Science and Technology for Homeland/Domestic Security Matters (Washington, 21 December 2005)

- Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway on Social Security (Canberra, 2 December 2005
- The International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA) Statutes (as amended at the Extraordinary Council meeting of International IDEA on 24 January 2006) (Stockholm, 24 January 2006)
- Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Namibia and the Governments of Australia, Canada, India, New Zealand, South Africa and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning the Treatment of War Graves of Members of the Armed Forces of the Commonwealth in the Territory of the Republic of Namibia (Windhoek, 27 June 2005)
- Amendments to the Constitution of the International Organization for Migration (Geneva, 24 November 1998)
- Treaty between the Government of Australia and the Government of Malaysia on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (Putrajaya, 15 November 2005) and An Exchange of Notes between the Government of Australia and the Government of Malaysia on the Treaty on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (Kuala Lumpur, 7 December 2005)

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The ACT will not be making a submission to the Committee on these matters at this time.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the international agreements under inquiry.

Yours sincerely

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