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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE

ON TREATIES .RE: TREATY

HIGH SEAS FISHERY RESOURCES

& INDIAN OCEAN FISHERIES

SOUTHERN OCEAN.

DEAR SIRS.

IT IS THE SUBMISSION OF THE EXECUTIVE THAT THESE TWO TREATIES SHOULD BE RATIFIED. WE WELCOME TREATIES SUCH AS THESE THAT ARE AIMED AT PROTECTION OF OUR OCEANS. WE AGREE WITH THE FINDINGS OF THE OVERVIEW AND NATIONAL INTEREST SUMMARY IN RELATION TO THESE TREATIES. WE ONCE AGAIN CALL ON THE PARLIAMENT TO SET UP A NATIONAL COAST GUARD, SO TREATIES SUCH AS THIS TREATY CAN BE ENFORCED. WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND THAT A COUNTRY SUCH AS AUSTRALIA WHO IS SURROUNDED BY WATER DOES NOT HAVE A NATIONAL COAST GUARD TO HELP PROTECT US FROM BOAT PEOPLE, ILLEGAL FISHING, AND RESCUE WORK AT SEA. A NATIONAL COAST WOULD ALSO HELP TO PROVIDE WORK FOR A LOT OF AUSTRALIAN YOUNG PEOPLE. YOU CANNOT EXPECT OUR NAVY TO DO ALL THE WORK. ILLEGAL FISHERMEN HAVE TO BE CHASED FOR LONG DISTANCES, THUS OUR NAVY IS TAKEN AWAY FROM PROTECTION OF AUSTRALIA. THIS IS JUST ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE EXAMPLES OF OUR PARLIAMENT BEING RUN BY PEOPLE WHO ARE OUT OF TOUCH WITH REALITY, WHEN IT COMES TO RUNNING THE COUNTRY. AUSTRALIANS RELY ON YOU THE MEMBERS TO SHOW LEADERSHIP ON MATTERS SUCH AS THESE TREATIES, SIGNING A TREATY IS NOT THE ANSWER WITHOUT SUPPORT FOR OUR OWN MILITARY, THEY ARE NOT POLICEMEN, SET UP A COAST GUARD TO DO THE JOB, OR

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PO Box 216 Brunswick Heads NSW 2483 Tel/Fax 02 6685 1719 TEAR UP THE TREATIES, BOAT PEOPLE ARE ARRIVING DAILY BECAUSE THEY KNOW THAT AUSTRALIA IS A SOFT TOUCH, JUST AS THE ILLEGAL FISHERMEN KNOW. DON'T PROCESS BOAT PEOPLE, FLY THEM BACK TO WHERE THEY COME FROM, AS QUICK AS THEY LAND. USE OUR MILITARY PLANES TO RETURN THEM HOME. ILLEGAL FISHERMEN, BURN THE BOATS AND GOAL THEM FOR FIVE YEARS. THE EXECUTIVE WISH TO THANK THE COMMITTEE FOR ALLOWING US TO COMMENT ON THESE TREATIES.

YOURS IN PATRIOTISM.

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