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Inquiry Secretary, Mr. Bob Morris Joint Standing Committee on Treaties. Re-Statute of an International Criminal Court

Dear Sir,

As private citizen, I wish to indicate my objection to the consideration of any overseas proposal that will be binding on the citizens of Australia.

Our elected representatives are responsible for internal issues that effect their electors. But, any issue the ties us to international agreements should be first agreed to, or rejected by, all citizens per medium of a referendum.

An International Criminal Court should not override the authority of our own institutions. Nor should the citizens of this country be bound to decisions made by an external authority, whose recognition of our Common Law rights are suspect. I urge the Committee to reject this proposal.

Yours sincerely