HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PETITIONS COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 32

Petitions

and

Ministerial Responses

25 October 2021

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Report summarising the petitions and Ministerial responses being presented.

The committee met in private session on 20 October 2021.

1. The committee resolved to present the following petitions in accordance with standing order 207:

Petitions certified on 20 October

From 20 petitioners – requesting an end to offshore detention for asylum seekers **(PN0519)**

From 1 petitioner – regarding changes to the *Safety, Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 1988* (PN0520)

The following ministerial responses to petitions were received:

Received by the Committee on 20 October

From the Minister for Indigenous Australians – to a petition concerning support for the Uluru Statement from the Heart **(PN0512)**

From the Minister for Communications, Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts – to a petition concerning the Australian Broadcasting Corporation **(PN0517)**

From the Assistant Treasurer – to a petition requesting a parliamentary inquiry into the Jetstar booking system **(EN2558)**

From the Minister for Immigration, Citizenship, Migrant Services and Multicultural Affairs – to a petition concerning the inclusion of provisions within the *Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* for the setting of immigration quotas or limits **(EN2667)**

From the Minister for Health and Aged Care – to a petition concerning humanitarian relief for global pandemic hotspots **(EN2673)**

From the Minister for Health and Aged Care – to a petition concerning the resumption of cruise ship travel to and from Australia **(EN2683)**

From the Minister for Agriculture and Northern Australia – to a petition concerning a transition to regenerative agriculture practices **(EN2687)**

From the Minister for Health and Aged Care – to a petition requesting to include visiting family as a compassionate reason to leave the country **(EN2693)**

From the Minister for Immigration, Citizenship, Migrant Services and Multicultural Affairs – to a petition concerning racism in Australia **(EN2720)**

From the Minister for Health and Aged Care – to a petition concerning COVID-19 vaccinations **(EN2722)**

From the Minister for Home Affairs – to a petition requesting to allow overseas travel for permanent residents and citizens to visit family members (EN2736)

From the Minister for Indigenous Australians – to a petition concerning support for the Uluru Statement from the Heart **(EN2759)**

From the Assistant Treasurer – to a petition concerning fake or defamatory online reviews of businesses **(EN2763)**

From the Minister for Home Affairs – to a petition concerning priority processing and automatic travel exemptions for temporary employer sponsored visa programs **(EN2770)**

From the Minister for Health and Aged Care – to a petition concerning the abolishment of hotel quarantine and introducing quarantine for fully vaccinated returning travellers from overseas **(EN2782)**

From the Minister for Health and Aged Care – to a petition requesting to ban COVID-19 vaccination passports and certificates **(EN2794)**

From the Attorney-General – to a petition requesting the referral of the Hon Alex Hawke MP, Member for Mitchell, to the High Court to determine his eligibility to sit in Parliament **(EN2797)**

From the Minister for Health and Aged Care – to a petition concerning COVID-19 vaccinations **(EN2828)**

From the Minister for Health and Aged Care – to a petition requesting to stop the COVID-19 vaccination rollout without informed consent **(EN2858)**

From the Minister for Health and Aged Care – to a petition concerning the COVID-19 AstraZeneca vaccination rollout **(EN2882)**

From the Minister for Communications, Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts – to a petition requesting identity verification for all social media accounts **(EN2904)**

Mr Ken O'Dowd Chair – Petitions Committee