

**TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

This petition of Australian citizens draws to the attention of the House:

our legal obligation to "promote" the "self-governance or independence" of trust territories, and need for Australia to put the issue of United Nations General Assembly resolution 1752 on the agenda of the Trusteeship Council so the Council may commence work under the Charter of the United Nations article 85 part 2 in response to Australia and the General Assembly putting article 85 part 1 of the Charter into effect when we made resolution 1752.

We are horrified by the 53 years of unnecessary suffering endured by our neighbours and remind you that the West Papuan people were our staunch allies during the Pacific war. Nowhere in the Charter or in Australian law do we have a right to buy or sell people, so we believe the term "administration" used in the agreement approved by General Assembly resolution 1752 is a diplomatic term for "occupation" and that West New Guinea is an United Nations trust territory as can be confirmed by the International Court of Justice under General Assembly resolution 171 by allowing the Trusteeship Council to commence its duties.

We therefore ask the House to:

instruct the Australian Permanent Mission to the United Nations to ensure that General Assembly resolution 1752 is put on the agenda of the Trusteeship Council without further delay.