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Committee Secretary

Joint Standing Committee on Migration
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Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Joint Standing Committee on Migration,

My name is [REDACTED]. I'm from Israel. I received my work and holiday visa at the end of last year (desember) ,my plans were like many more travelers to intend to travel across Australia and to work at the same trip. I went to the pacific area in February and a month later because of the COVID 19 rushed out home because the border was closing.

One of the conditions of the visa I held and many more travelers also held is to enter the country before the specified date every vise holder had his date. Like I wrote before because I received my visa at the end of last year by the conditions of my visa I need to enter the country by the end of this year.

Here starts the problem for my and many more people in conditions similar to me, because of the COVID 19 pandemic the gates of Australia are closed from march month and people that are not citizens of Australia are not allowed to enter. Because of all of this every visa owner that is right now outside Australia won't be able to enter and activate his visa.

Making and doing all the things that the visa required to request one costs a lot of money, for the translations of the documents, for the request fee and many more. It's all known that if you miss your deadline to enter the country you need to place a new request for a visa and pay all over again.

A lot of travelers dreamed to travel Australia and that visa was the start of making dreams come true, Working Holiday Makers are major helping hand to the Australian economy and community and a big amount of travelers feeling a problem.

I wanted to ask for a possibility for extension for all of the holders of the visa that can't reach and activate their visa.

Sincerely,

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