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Just as Australian citizens are not permitted to vote in New Zealand elections, neither should New Zealand citizens have the right to vote in Australian elections no matter how long they have been residing in Australia.

Voting in elections is a privilege that citizens of a nation should have exclusive of anyone else. It should be restricted to those who were born here or who became naturalised by swearing allegiance to this country.

We have no way of knowing whose interests foreigners are serving if they have a say in who governs us. Already there are forces in this country who are attempting to marginalise our wishes for their own ends.

Kiwi, chinese, indian, American or European. If you are not naturalised, you have no say in who governs this country just as we have no say in who governs yours!

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