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War Control 3

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Submission 3 on proposed democratic control of war powers act

Under the present arrangements, Parliament would not be required to debate the financial cost of entering a war against China. Such a war would involve the immediate suspension of among other commodities, iron ore, wool, wheat, rare earth concentrates, other ores, lithium, coal, educational services, and natural gas to China, which last year alone brought in one third of Australia's export income, AUD175m, 31% of all our export trade.