



# Australian Government

Australian Government response to the  
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report:

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**Dissenting report by then Senator Rex Patrick**

**Recommendation 1**

**Australia should revoke the declarations made on the 22 March 2002.**

**Response**

The Government **notes** this recommendation. However, given the passage of time since this report was tabled, a substantive Government response is no longer appropriate.