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Ladies and Gentlemen,

Distinguished Members of the Upper House of Australia,

First of all I would like to thank you and to congratulate the wisdom and the courage of your decision to open a public debate on the environmental impact of the wind farms. I would like to report on the suffering and distress of the population in our beautiful country of Lévézou, Aveyron, submitted three years throbbing noise of machinery and the disfigurement of their surroundings. Advocacy groups of farmers and residents have formed to defend the quality of life in their country against wind farms.

I have the honour to inform you that the highest moral authorities of France including members of the Academy of Fine Arts, spoke with much force and severity against the installation of these turbines in our natural landscapes. They oppose "wind lobby" composed of industrialists who seek to enrich themselves under the guise of ecological and so-called "clean energy". But in reality the dirtiest energy that can exist because it disfigures beautiful landscapes.

Since ancient times the monuments erected by man were a marriage with nature and honouring creation. This is called ART. The technique was employed to civilization and not the reverse. Today the installation of wind turbines above the landscape is an odious domination of technology over nature.

The outrageousness of these machines is an intolerable infringement of the scenic beauty and majesty of creation. The enormity of these machines upsets the

scale panoramas and belittles the greatness of nature.

These turbines would be tolerable if they were concentrated in places "sacrificed" and restricted ? Alas it is their incredible growth and expansion that is taking place in many countries for the benefit of some speculators and against the general interest of our civilization. It is a barbarous acts which have the most horrible ever perpetrated. It is the decline of culture and humanism against the omnipotence of the blind industry.

Here in France, many of us will follow with great attention the evolution of the debate initiated by your Senate. We hope Distinguished Senators, you'll be keen to preserve the majesty of nature in your beautiful country and you give the world a lesson of wisdom and civilization.

Please accept, Honourable Senators, the expression of our highest consideration and respect.

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