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Hi, my name is Martin Kozlov

I was just made aware by fellow poker enthusiast Oliver Gill that the great game of poker that is enjoyed by thousands of Australians as a form of recreation is currently being threatened.

The IGA Amendment threatens to end our popular past time of online poker. We believe it is our right as consenting adults to have the ability to pursue this game from the comfort of homes. Without suitable provisions to allow companies such as Pokerstars, Party Poker and 888 Poker (just to name a few) to apply for regulated licenses this would not be possible.

I urge anyone associated with the drafting of upcoming legislation to read the following submission which gives an account for the skill aspect of poker and how it differentiates from non skillful forms of gambling:

<http://www.pc.gov.au/inquiries/completed/gambling-2009/submissions/sub249.pdf>

Regards,

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