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Inquiry into Australia's Trade Agreement Process

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Dear Senators

It is an abomination that the negotiation of any international agreement concerning the lives of Australian Citizens be conducted in secret – beyond the scrutiny of those very Citizens in whose name any such agreement would be signed.

While it is obvious to all why some segments of society would want such negotiations conducted in secret, it is beyond comprehension why any Australian politician or public official would agree to such a travesty.

It is my wish that the Senate inquiry condemn the practice in the strongest terms and that the negotiation of the Trans-Pacific Partnership be made public immediately.

Further, it is to be hoped that no further negotiation of an international treaty be ever again conducted in secrecy.

Yours Faithfully

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