From: David Hitchins [davi d. hi tchi ns@tel enet. be] Sent: Thursday, 15 May 2008 6:12 AM To: Committee, EM (REPS) Cc: david.hitchins@telenet.be Subject: Submission From: David Hitchins E-mail: david. hitchins@telenet.be Phone: +31622697550 Leopol dl aan 27 2400 Mol Belgium To: The Committee Secretary, JSCEM Dear Sir, Please accept this submission for the JSCEM's Inquiry into the 2007 Federal Election. As an Australian citizen living overseas for the last several years I have found it increasing difficult to participate in general elections or referendums. Of particular concern are: - changing electoral boudaries that make my past electoral area obsolete. Where should I then go? - The need for third party identification by another Australian citizen. Not always someone around the corner to solve this! It would be highly appreciated if you could make it easier to remain an engaged & franchi sed Aussi e overseas! DAvid Hitchins