





Supplementary Submission 3.3 TT 29 November 2005

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON TREATIES. RE: TREATY ON
PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW.
DEAR SIRS.

IT IS THE SUBMISSION OF THIS EXECUTIVE, THAT THIS TREATY BE RATIFIED. IT HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THIS EXECUTIVE THAT OUR LEGAL SYSTEM DOES NOT RECOGNISE INTERNATIONAL TREATIES AS HAVING ANY LEGAL STANDING IN RELATION TO LAW.

OUR LEGAL SYSTEM CLAIM ONLY THE RULE OF LAW AFFECTING THAT COURT. EVEN THE FEDERAL ATTORNEY GENERAL CLAIMS THAT NOT ALL TREATIES ARE BINDING, UNLESS THEY ARE IN LINE WITH AUSTRALIAN LAW.

THIS EXECUTIVE BELIEVES IN INTERNATIONAL LAW, AND FULLY SUPPORT THE NEED FOR SUCH LAW, HIGH COURT RULINGS ARE IGNORED BY THE LOWER COURTS, DESPITE ARTICLES OF FEDERAL LAW. IF THE HIGH COUR OF AUSTRALIA CAN BE IGNORED, AND INTERNATIONAL LAW PLUS OUR OWN FEDERAL LAW, THEN THE QUESTION WHY, MUST BE ASKED.

IT IS TIME THE FEDERAL PARLIAMENT STEPPED IN AND INSTRUCTED ALL STATE ATTORNEYS – GENERAL TO ENFORCE SUPERIOR LAW. IF YOU THE

MEMBERS OF THE ELECTED PARLIAMENT CAN BE IGNORED THEN THERE

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PO Box 216 Brunswick Heads NSW 2483 Tel/Fax 02 6685 1719 IS NO REASON FOR YOU TO REPRESENT. THIS EXECUTIVE FULLY SUPPORTS THE RULE OF LAW, EVEN THOUGH WE DIFFER AT CERTAIN POLICIES, WE SUPPORT THE NEED FOR A DEMOCRATIC RULE OF LAW, THAT RULE IS A LEGAL SYSTEM BASED ON INTERNATIONAL LAW. IF THE (REIOS) COME INTO FORCE, THIS EXECUTIVE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THEM ENFORCED BY INFERIOR COURTS. WE IN AUSTRALIA ARE RUN BY ADMINISTRATIVE LAW. STATE LAWS, FEDERAL LAW, INTERNATIONAL LAW, AND BRITISH LAW, PLUS CONTRACT LAW. THIS SITUATION IS CRAZY. WE ARE ONLY A NATION OF TWENTY MILLION PEOPLE, YET WE HAVE MORE LAW THAN THE UNITED NATIONS. IF WE CAN REDUCE LAW DOWN TO INTERNATIONAL LAW, THEN WE SUPPORT THIS CONCEPT. LAW STUDENTS IN N.S.W. DO NOT LEARN REAL LAW, ONLY PRECEDENTS, LAW IS LAW. IT'S A PITY THAT NO ONE UNDERSTANDS LAW, OR PRACTICE LAW. THIS EXECUTIVE WISH TO THANK THE COMMITTEE FOR ALLOWING THE EXECUTIVE TO COMMENT ON THIS TREATY.

YOURS IN PATRIOTISM.

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