

Please find below my submission to the Inquiry into Multiculturalism in Australia

Firstly, migration and multiculturalism are two separate issues.

Migration has been a cornerstone for the growth and development of Australia. People from many continents, countries and cultures have successfully contributed to the skilled work force, integrated into Australian society and had made positive contributions. They have done so by desiring and accepting Australian democracy, its lifestyle, its laws values etc.

That multiculturalism is now an issue is because a new group of immigrants do not want to accept Australia as is, but demand that Australia change to its culture, whether it is acceptable to the majority of us or not. Quoting part of Ms Vamvakinou introduction "Some leaders have suggested that multiculturalism has failed in Europe. The lessons from Europe are important, but, multiculturalism in Australia and Australian society is quite different". I submit that many others from different countries and cultures have successfully integrated into European society whilst keeping their culture. However one group has chosen not to integrate due to their own doctrines and beliefs. Ms Vamvakinou and others of like mind may believe we are different but unfortunately it is Islam ideology which is not. Their religion is ultimately to dominate not integrate, in particular:

- They want their law, Sharia law, not our laws. They will push at any opportunity to challenge our laws and further Sharia law. I believe Britain has succumbed to the extent that there are now around 50 Sharia courts there.
- That anyone not of their religion is an infidel. In more tolerant Islam societies this means being a second class citizen subject to extra taxes (poll tax) and a lower legal position. Otherwise it means the infidel either changes to their religion or is murdered. Even blind Freddy would be aware of the massacres of people of other faiths who live in Islamic countries, from the Philippines to Indonesia through to the Middle East, to Egypt, North Africa and Central Africa.
- Women have lower status and rights than men.
- Intolerance and violence against the host nation are commonplace.

Examples of world happenings under Islam.

- In Pakistan Asia Bibi was arrested and sentenced to death for alleged blasphemy (insulting the Prophet). So much for free speech.
- Mr Salman Taseer the governor of Punjab was shot 29 times by M M H Qadri, his security guard, for calling the blasphemy law a bad law, visiting Asia in prison and calling for clemency for her. Qadri hailed a national hero and praised by 500 Sunni clerics and scholars for his "courage". Would the members of the Joint Committee on Migration stand up for the rights of an individual if it meant their lives?
- Targeting of the infidels in Israel by indiscriminate rocket attacks. Islam has an objective to wipe out Israel and the Jews.
- In Indonesia - the ongoing burning of churches and killing of Christians, the Bali bombings which included killing and maiming of Australians, the Jakarta hotel bombing
- The massacres of people of faiths other than Islam who live in Islamic countries, from the Philippines and Indonesia in Asia through to the Middle East, to Egypt, North and Central Africa.

If, in 1972, I had wanted to live under Sharia law and Islamic ideology then I would not have migrated to Australia. I did not want to then and do not want to in the future. I am opposed to Australia becoming Islamic by Fabian migration and stealth over time.

So regarding my migration - I was offered a job as an engineer with Lysart Bros around May 1971. However, it took around 9 months to be approved as a migrant by which time that job was lost. Fortunately, I was able to find employment with another organisation before arrival.

Recently, I met some people who were on holiday in Australia visiting family. They had applied to migrate but were told the queue of applications for Australian residency is such that October 2009 applications are now being processed. So if its taking 18 months to even start assessing an application then no wonder there is a shortage of skilled workers being accepted in a timely manner. Therefore,

- To meet the required skills shortage it is imperative that applications for legal migrants be processed much quicker.
- Furthermore, all applicants must be able to harmonise with Australian democracy and values. Those who can not, including those who burn down our facilities must not be accepted.
- This Government's relaxation of John Howard's policies on boat people has failed and the previous policies reinstated.

Other issues

- The burqa should be banned. Why should women be allowed to wear full covering at a bank when its illegal to others to have their face covered by wearing a motor bike helmet and why for university exams should all other students be subject to full face ID checks but women in a burqa be exempt? My drivers licence has a photo on it. Yet there is a separate standard for women in the burqa as these and the recent MS C Matthews episode in NSW show.

Yours truly,