



## **Senator Chris Evans**

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Mrs Julia Irwin MP Chair Standing Committee on Petitions Parliament House PO Box 6021 CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mrs Irwin Julia

Thank you for your letter of 1 June 2010 concerning the immigration status of the Klue family.

Mr Johan Klue was granted a four year Temporary Business (Long Stay) Subclass 457 Visa on 25 March 2010. Mr Klue's wife and two children were granted dependant Subclass 457 visas for the same period on 13 May 2010. This visa allows Mr Klue and his wife to work in Australia and their children to attend school. There is also no limit to the amount of times that the family may travel in and out of Australia during the visa validity period.

The Klue family does not currently have any applications for permanent residence before my Department. There are many visa categories under which the Klue family may apply to live and work in Australia in the future if they wish. These include categories such as skilled, family sponsored, humanitarian and employer sponsored. Detailed rules governing the entry of people in each visa category are specified in Australia's migration legislation and are applied equally to all applicants on a case-by-case basis. Applicants must meet all of the requirements for the class of visa sought before they can be granted a visa.

I trust that this information has been of assistance.

Yours sincerely

CHRIS EVANS