

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PETITIONS COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 11

Petitions

and

Ministerial Responses

29 May 2017

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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Report relating to the consideration of petitions and matters relating to the petitions system

The committee met in private session on Wednesday 24 May.

- 1. The committee resolved to present the following petition in accordance with standing order 207:**

From 6626 petitioners – regarding the genocide of Christians and other minorities **(PN0060)**

The following ministerial responses to petitions were received:

From the Minister for Justice – to a petition regarding firearm control
(EN0062)

From the Minister for Communications – to a petition concerning community television broadcasters' access to terrestrial broadcasting spectrum
(EN0081)

From the Minister for Communications – to a petition requesting the reversal of the decision to block Pirate Bay and similar websites **(EN0091)**

From the Minister for Employment – to a petition regarding greater protection for high income earners on parental leave **(EN0095)**

From the Minister for Health – to a petition regarding Medicare rebates for Irlen Syndrome **(EN0120)**

From the Minister for Women – to a petition requesting a change to reporting requirements under the WGE Act **(EN0131)**

From the Minister for the Environment and Energy – to a petition regarding the impacts of helium balloon releases **(PN0051)**

The terms of the petitions and the responses will be recorded in Hansard.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ross Vasta". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping flourish at the end of the name.

Mr Ross Vasta MP
Chair - Petitions Committee