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Subject: Statute of International Criminal Court

The Inquiry Secretary Mr. Bob MorrisJoint Standing Committee on TreatiesDept of House of RepresentativesParliament HouseCanberra ACT 2600 Fax 02-6277 4827Fax 02-6277 213510th February 2001Re : Joint Standing Committee on Treaties

Dear Sir

The Vigilance Committee strongly objects to the acceptance of the proposed treaty ie. ( The Statute of an International Criminal Court) because it will over ride the authority of Australian Institutions and our elected representatives. The people of Australia would be forced to have allegience to an alien authority. The reponsibilities of our elected Parliamentarians and the Judicature is clearly documented in the Australian Contitution. There is no provision in the Australian Constitution for this Treaty. A change to the Australian Constitution is determined by the outcome of a referendum

RegardsMichael KearneySecretary