

To committee secretary , John Hawkins , My name is Brett Guy ,I am currently working in Libya along with 18 other Australians , I would like to voice my concerns to the proposed changes to 23AG , I feel that these changes will cause expat Australian workers to seriously consider returning to Australia for work because it would be no longer viable working abroad ,we receive no superannuation , holiday pay , maternity leave ,sick leave the list goes on ,If we return home to work this then would mean further loss of Australian jobs ,at a time we all know it is difficult for employment in Australia. Expats bring a lot of money into the country ,and they spend it here at home , which in turn boosts the economy , alot more than any \$900 stimulus package .can we afford loss of overseas money coming into Australia , also I feel a lot of these expat workers may well decide to relocate themselves and their families overseas as well ,more loss for Australia , I myself have a small business in Western Australia that employs 2 people , in the current economic times it is struggling , my overseas money keeps these people in work ,people that I feel responsible for , paying more tax will not help ,and may mean the loss of their jobs , Australian workers did not cause the world market situation why should they be made to pay for it , surely if the Rudd government need to fill the coffers again , look at the expenditure , tighten their belts the way every other Australian has had to do , thank you , I look forward to your response , Brett Guy