

Committee Secretary
Senate Legal and Constitutional Committee
Department of the Senate

Dear Committee Secretary,

I write to you on behalf of the Australian Quaker Peace and Legislation Committee (QPLC) to register the disquiet we feel about the proposed amendments to the Migration Act 1968. We believe the proposal to have asylum seekers who arrive in Australia by boat sent off-shore (presumably to Nauru) to be processed is unnecessary, inhumane and infringes their human rights as well as making this country look foolish internationally.

We ask Honourable Senators to reject these provisions of this Bill.

Our arguments are amplified in a letter we sent to Senator Vanstone on 25 April, a copy of which is attached.

In peace,

Brian Turner, Co-convenor of the QPLC