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Subject: Exchange of Naval Nuclear Propulsion Information Agreement (ENNPIA)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I object to the ordering of nuclear submarines by the Morrison Government. Since the announcement of AUKUS back in September the actions of the Morrison Government have shown **contempt for the Australian people and the democratic process.**

Mr Dutton's present rush to push this through parliament without proper consultation let alone, agreement with the Australian populace is disgraceful.

This is the action of a right-wing dictatorship.

The Australian population has always refused nuclear power in any form.

We are still recovering from the British atomic tests at Maralinga in less enlightened times.

We are now having nuclear submarines and the attendant nuclear concerns foisted on us by stealth.

We do not need nuclear submarines to protect Australia. We only need long range nuclear submarines if we are planning to attack China, which is insanity personified.

We are making ourselves an unnecessary target in any confrontation between the USA and China.

The lack of public engagement and transparency over the Morrison Government's signing of a legally binding agreement that will see Australia develop nuclear submarines is extremely concerning.

If this agreement passes Australia will be closer to acquiring nuclear submarines and in the process deny Australia the ability to act independently. It will also see Australia complicit in dangerous regional tensions, undermine global cooperation on nuclear non-proliferation, endanger the environment and waste billions in public funds during a pandemic and economic recovery.

This is also making life in Australia very difficult for the many Australian citizens of Chinese origin, many of whom have been here since the 'Gold Rush'.

Mr Dutton's attitude to China is reminiscent of the 'yellow peril' fears of the time of the Vietnam war and is inflammatory and unacceptable.

Australia's only invasion has been in 1788.

Please realise the parliament is there to do the will of the people and that will has said an emphatic 'no' to nuclear power in any form including nuclear submarines.

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