

REGISTRY OF SENATORS'
QUALIFICATIONS

11 July 2023

Senators' qualifications – Statement in relation to section 44 and 45 of the Constitution – For senators appointed to fill casual vacancies

SENATOR'S NAME

Maria Kovacic

Do you know the place of birth of each of your parents and grandparents (whether biological or adoptive)?			
YES NO			
1a. Please provide any relevent (for example, why you do not know that the provide any relevant to the provide and the	rant details: ow the place of birth of a parent or grandpar	rent)	
	knowledge of your parents' and grandparent		
I know the region of birth, bigrandmother.	ut not the specific town/village o	of birth for my paternal	
	nents related to, any details provided in resp	oonse to question 1a. These will be	
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Do you have a parent or gran	dnarent that you know was horn	in another country? This m	
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NOTES

- (1) This statement is required by resolution of the Senate of 3 April 2019, paragraph (7).
- (2) If there is insufficient space on this form for the information you are required to provide, you may attach additional pages for that purpose. An electronic file of this form is available on www.aph.gov.au/senators interests.
- (3) Email a signed copy of this statement to the Registrar of Senators' Interests: senators.interests@aph.gov.au.

2b. Please provide any other relevant details: Other relevant details relating to your parents' and grandparents' places and dates of birth I have noted the region of birth for my paternal grandmother as her place of birth is unknown to me. The dates of birth of my grandparents is unknown to me and unknown to my parents who are also in their late 80's. Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to questions 2a and 2b. These will be published with this Statement on the Register of Senators' Qualifications. 3. Have you provided details in question 2a in relation to each parent and grandparent that you know was born in another country? (If you do not know any of your parents' or grandparents' places of birth, please mark the 'N/A' box.) **YES** NO N/A 3a. If 'no', please explain why you have not provided those details: Explanation of why you have not provided details relating to each parent and grandparent that you know was born in another country Do you know which citizenships have been held by each of your parents and grandparents (whether biological or adoptive)?

4a. Please provide any relevant details:

NO

YES

(for example, why you do not know the citizenships held at a particular time by a particular parent or grandparent)

Other relevant details relating to your knowledge of your parents' and grandparents' citizenships

All 4 of my grandparents identified as "Croatian". They were all born in the early 1900's in the then Austro-Hungarian empire. Post WW1 this became Yugoslavia, which no longer exists. They all passed away prior to the Civil War of Independence (1995), which saw the creation of Croatia and Bosnia & Hercegovina as 2 countries. They died as citizens of Yugoslavia, which no longer exists. My own parents are Australian citizens.

Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to question 4a. These will be published with this Statement on the Register of Senators' Qualifications

YES	YES NO N/A				
5a. If 'yes'	a. If 'yes', please provide the following details, to the extent known:				
Relationship (eg mother o	o to you r adoptive father)	Country of foreign citizenship	Period foreign citizenship held		
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or similar partner)	the particular citizenships held at a parti			
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Country of foreign citizenship	Date of acquiring foreign citizenship
11b. Please provide any other relevant (for example, why you are prevented from is unknown)	ant details: n renouncing your foreign citizenship, or why the response to question 11
Other relevant details relating to possible disqu	ualification by reason of section 44(i) of the Australian Constitution
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11. Are you now a subject or citizen of any country other than Australia?

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Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 15a. These will be published with this Statement on the Register of Senators' Qualifications.

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16	a. Please provide any relevant details, to the extent known:	
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Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 18a. These will be published with this Statement on the Register of Senators' Qualifications.

19.	Please provide any additional details relating to your qualification under the Australian Constitution or the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918:		
	n/a		
	Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any published with this Statement on the Register of Senators' G	y details provided in your response to question 16. These will be Qualifications.	
	onfirm the information in the statement provid vided in support of my statements, to be true		
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Na osnovu člana 163. Zakona o upravnom postupku ("Službeni glasnik BiH", broj: 29/02, 12/04, 88/07, 93/09, 41/13 i 53/16), postupajući po zahtjevu lica Maria Kovacic, Ambasada Bosne i Hercegovine u Kanberi izdaje

POTVRDU

Kojom se na osnovu provjere državljanskog statusa za lice Maria Kovačić, izvršene od strane Ministarstva civilnih poslova Bosne i Hercegovine, potvrđuje da Maria (Ivan) Kovačić, rođena 11.02.1970. godine u mjestu Queanbeyan, NSW, Australija, nije upisana u matične knjige koje se vode prema mjestu rođenja njenih roditelja. Također, nisu pronađeni upisi roditelja imenovane, prema dostupnim podacima o mjestu rođenja.

U skladu sa navedenom provjerom, Ministarstvo civilnih poslova Bosne i Hercegovine potvrdilo je da Maria (Ivan) Kovačić nije upisana u matične registre državljana Bosne i Hercegovine, niti je na osnovu dostupnih podataka bilo moguće potvrditi da su njeni roditelji državljani Bosne i Hercegovine.

Administrativna taksa u iznosu od 47 AUD naplaćena je u skladu sa članom 2. Zakona o administrativnim taksama BiH ("Službeni glasnik BiH" broj: 16/02) i tarifnim brojem 39. Tarife administrativnih taksi ("Službeni glasnik BiH" broj: 16/02, 19/02, 43/04, 8/06, 76/06, 76/07, 3/08, 42/08, 3/10, 98/12, 15/14, 78/14 i 73/17), te Cjenovniku konzularnih usluga DKP BiH Kanbera.





Embassy of the Republic of Croatia Canberra

CLASS: 224-01/21-01/2 REG. NO: 521-AUS-01-21-3 Canberra, 1st November 2021

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that upon verification of the Croatian Citizenship Registry as of 27th October 2021, **Ms MARIA KOVACIC**, born on 11th February 1970, in Queanbeyan, Australia, holder of Australian passport No. PB1089632, **DOES NOT HOLD CROATIAN CITIZENSHIP**.

Sandra Tvrtković Counsellor