

QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST

Relating to your eligibility under Section 44 of the Australian Constitution

Candidate's name

Fatima Payman

Please fill out this checklist.

Be aware that completing this checklist does not guarantee that you are eligible to be elected under section 44 of the Australian Constitution or under the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*.

If you have any doubts about your eligibility, you should seek independent legal advice.

If you provide information in this checklist that you know is false or misleading, you may commit an offence against the *Criminal Code* with a maximum penalty of imprisonment for 12 months, \$12,600 or both.

You must answer every question in the checklist that has check boxes by marking one, and only one, of the boxes provided. Your nomination will be rejected if you do not mark any of the boxes, or if you mark more than one of the boxes, provided for any of these questions.

Please provide supporting documentation as appropriate. You may provide additional documents if you are unable to fit all your responses in this checklist.

Note: If you answer 'yes' in question 10 then you **must provide at least one document** in response to question 10a.

You should not include information in this checklist, or in any additional documents you provide, that is inappropriate in any way. If you do, the information may be redacted by the Electoral Commissioner and not published on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.

You may choose to redact information (for example, your own or another person's personal information) from additional documents before providing them. Redactions must be in accordance with any directions of the Electoral Commissioner.

The candidate statement and declaration that you have made elsewhere in this nomination also relate to your eligibility to be elected. In that statement and declaration:

- (a) you have declared that you are qualified under the Constitution and the laws of the Commonwealth to be elected as a Senator or member of the House of Representatives; and
- (b) you have stated that you are an Australian citizen.

Questions marked with an asterisk (*) are mandatory

1. Do you know the place of birth of each of your parents and grandparents (whether biological or adoptive)?*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES
<input type="checkbox"/>	NO

1a. Please provide any relevant details (for example, why you do not know the place of birth of a parent or grandparent):

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

[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to question 1a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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2. Do you have a parent or grandparent that you know was born in another country? This may be a biological or adoptive parent or grandparent. *

(If you do not know any of your parents' or grandparents' places of birth, please mark the 'N/A' box.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES
<input type="checkbox"/>	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A

2a. If 'yes', please provide the following details, to the extent known:

Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Mother	Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Father
Place of Birth	Afghanistan	Place of Birth	Afghanistan
Date of Birth	01 / 01 / 1974	Date of Birth	27 / 07 / 1970
Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Maternal Grandfather	Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Paternal Grandfather
Place of Birth	Afghanistan	Place of Birth	Afghanistan
Date of Birth	/ / 1944	Date of Birth	/ / 1942
Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Maternal Grandmother	Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Paternal Grandmother
Place of Birth	Afghanistan	Place of Birth	Afghanistan
Date of Birth	/ / 1952	Date of Birth	/ / 1947

2b. Please provide any other relevant details:

Other relevant details relating to your parents' and grandparents' places and dates of birth

Exact dates of birth of my grandparents are unknown as there were no formal means of recording and remembering dates. Based on a close estimation of their age, I have provided respective years of birth.

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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.)
- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YES |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | NO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 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

4. Do you know which citizenships have been held by each of your parents and grandparents (whether biological or adoptive)?*
- | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | YES |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | NO |

- 4a. Please provide any relevant details (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

[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to question 4a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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5. Do you have a parent or grandparent that you know acquired citizenship of another country by descent, naturalisation or other means? This may be a biological or adoptive parent or grandparent. *

YES
 NO
 N/A

(If you do not know any of your parents' or grandparents' citizenship, please mark the 'N/A' box.)

5a. If 'yes', please provide the following details, to the extent known:

Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Mother	Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Father
Country of foreign citizenship	Afghanistan	Country of foreign citizenship	Afghanistan
Period foreign citizenship held		Period foreign citizenship held	

Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Maternal Grandfather	Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Paternal Grandfather
Country of foreign citizenship	Afghanistan	Country of foreign citizenship	Afghanistan
Period foreign citizenship held		Period foreign citizenship held	

Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Maternal Grandmother	Relationship to you (e.g. mother or adoptive father)	Paternal Grandmother
Country of foreign citizenship	Afghanistan	Country of foreign citizenship	Afghanistan
Period foreign citizenship held		Period foreign citizenship held	

5b. Please provide any other relevant details:

Other relevant details relating to your parents' and grandparents' foreign citizenships

All grandparents still retained their Afghan citizenship throughout the duration of their lives. My parents both have acquired their Australian citizenship and have not renounced their Afghan citizenship.

[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to questions 5a and 5b. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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6. **Have you provided details in question 5a in relation to each parent and grandparent that you know acquired citizenship of another country by descent, naturalisation or other means?***

(If you do not know any of your parents' or grandparents' citizenship, please mark the 'N/A' box.)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES
<input type="checkbox"/>	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A

- 6a. **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 acquired citizenship of another country

7. **Do you know which citizenships have been held by each of your current and former spouses and similar partners?***

(If you do not have a current or former spouse or similar partner, please mark the 'N/A' box.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	YES
<input type="checkbox"/>	NO
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A

- 7a. **Please provide any relevant details (for example, why you do not know the particular citizenships held at a particular time by a current or former spouse or similar partner):**

Other relevant details relating to your knowledge of the citizenships of your current and former spouses and similar partners

[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to question 7a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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8. Do you have a current or former spouse or similar partner who you know is or was a citizen of another country?*
- (If you do not have a current or former spouse or similar partner, or you do not know the citizenship of any of your current or former spouses or similar partners, please mark the 'N/A' box.)
- YES
 NO
 N/A

8a. If 'yes', please provide the following details, to the extent known:

Relationship to you
(e.g. wife or former de facto partner) _____

Country of foreign citizenship _____

Was foreign citizenship held at the time of marriage (if applicable)? _____

Relationship to you
(e.g. wife or former de facto partner) _____

Country of foreign citizenship _____

Was foreign citizenship held at the time of marriage (if applicable)? _____

8b. Please provide any other relevant details (for example, whether you acquired foreign citizenship because of a spouse's foreign citizenship):

Other relevant details relating to your current or former spouse's or similar partner's foreign citizenship _____

[Please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any details provided in response to questions 8a and 8b. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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9. Have you provided details in question 8a in relation to each current or former spouse or similar partner that you know is or was a citizen of another country?*

(If you do not have a current or former spouse or similar partner, or you do not know the citizenship of any of your current or former spouses or similar partners, please mark the 'N/A' box.)

<input type="checkbox"/>	YES
<input type="checkbox"/>	NO
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A

9a. If 'no', please explain why you have not provided those details:

Explanation of why you have not provided details relating to each current or former spouse or similar partner that you know is or was a citizen of another country

10. Have you ever been a subject or citizen of any country other than Australia?*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	YES
<input type="checkbox"/>	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	UNKNOWN

10a. If 'yes', please provide the following details, to the extent known:

Country of foreign citizenship	Afghanistan	
Manner in which foreign citizenship was lost (if applicable)		
Date of losing foreign citizenship (if applicable)	/	/

* [If you contend that you have renounced or lost your foreign citizenship, you **must provide at least one document** that you are satisfied supports your contention. (The document may be an official document, or if you have no official document, a statutory declaration.) This will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

10b. Please provide any other relevant details (for example, how you lost your foreign citizenship, or why the response to question 10 is unknown):

Other relevant details relating to the loss of your foreign citizenship

[In addition to the requirement to provide at least one document mentioned under question 10a, please provide particulars of, or documents related to, any other details provided in response to questions 10a and 10b. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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11. Are you now a subject or citizen of any country other than Australia?*

YES
 NO
 UNKNOWN

11a. If 'yes', please provide the following details, to the extent known:

Country of foreign citizenship Afghanistan

Date of acquiring foreign citizenship 1 / 1 / 1995

Country of foreign citizenship

Date of acquiring foreign citizenship

11b. Please provide any other relevant details (for example, why you are prevented from renouncing your foreign citizenship, or why the response to question 11 is unknown):

Other relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(i) of the Australian Constitution

See attached

[Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to questions 11a and 11b. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

12. Are you under sentence or subject to be sentenced, for an offence for which you have been convicted, which is punishable by imprisonment for one year or longer?*

YES
 NO

NOTE: A person convicted of an offence with a maximum penalty of imprisonment for one year or longer may be disqualified even if the sentence imposed on the person for the offence is less than the maximum penalty.

12a. If 'yes', please provide any relevant details:

Relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(ii) of the Australian Constitution

[Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 12a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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13. Are you an undischarged bankrupt or insolvent?*

YES
 NO

13a. If 'yes', please provide any relevant details:

Relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(iii) of the Australian Constitution

[Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 13a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

14. Do you hold an office of profit under the Crown, other than an office expressly exempt from section 44(iv) of the Australian Constitution?*

(Offices of profit under the Crown include, for example, many public sector jobs in Australia.)

YES
 NO
 UNKNOWN

14a. Please provide any relevant details, to the extent known (for example, the relevant body in which you hold the office of profit and your role, or why the response to question 14 is unknown):

Relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(iv) of the Australian Constitution

[Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 14a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

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15. Do you have a direct or indirect financial interest in any contract or other agreement with the Commonwealth public service?*

<input type="checkbox"/>	YES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	UNKNOWN

Do not count an interest that is expressly excluded from section 44(v) of the Australian Constitution, such as a shareholding in a company that has 25 or more other shareholders.

NOTE: Section 44(v) may disqualify you even if you are not a party to the relevant contract or agreement. A disqualifying financial interest may arise, for example, from an agreement between the Commonwealth public service and a trustee of a family trust of which you are a beneficiary.

- 15a. Please provide any relevant details, to the extent known (for example, your direct or indirect financial interests, or why the response to question 15 is unknown):

Relevant details relating to possible disqualification by reason of section 44(v) of the Australian Constitution

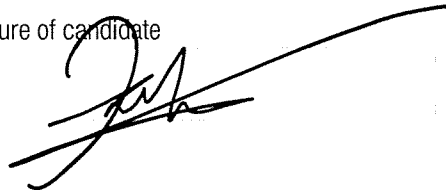
[Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 15a. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

16. Please provide any additional details relating to your qualification under the Australian Constitution or the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*:

[Please provide particulars of, and documents related to, any details provided in your response to question 16. These will be published with this checklist on the Australian Electoral Commission's website.]

I confirm the information in the checklist provided above, and any additional information provided in support of my statements, to be true and correct, to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of candidate



Date

15 / 04 / 22

FATIMA PAUMAN - ATTACHMENT TO NOMINATION.

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In August last year, the Taliban returned to power in Afghanistan.

In October 2021, I approached the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to renounce my Afghan citizenship. In November 2021, the Embassy advised that I had followed all of the steps I was required to take, and provided the Embassy with all of the documentation and information that I was required to provide, in order to renounce my Afghan citizenship.

However, the Embassy advised me that there is no communication between it and the new Taliban government in Afghanistan. As such, the Embassy told me that my application for renunciation could not be finalised in Kabul (as required under pre-Taliban Afghan law). The Embassy also advised me that it did not know whether the various Departments and Officers who would be tasked with processing my application in Kabul even exist anymore following the takeover of Afghanistan by the Taliban.

I was granted entry to Australia under my mother's refugee visa in 2003 after we fled Afghanistan under the previous Taliban regime. There is nothing further that can be done to progress my renunciation of Afghan citizenship, and it would be very dangerous for me to return to Afghanistan or to attempt to engage with the Taliban regime directly.

I have received legal advice confirming that, in light of the situation in Afghanistan and the impossibility of progressing my application to renounce Afghan citizenship following the recent takeover by the Taliban, I am not disqualified from sitting as a Senator and so I can nominate as a candidate.



AUSTRALIAN
SENATE

REGISTRY OF SENATORS'
QUALIFICATIONS

23 August 2022


Senators' qualifications – Attestation

In accordance with paragraph (5) of the resolution of the Senate of 3 April 2019 regarding senators' qualifications in relation to sections 44 and 45 of the Constitution,

I attest to the accuracy and completeness of the material that I provided to the Australian Electoral Commission in respect of my last nomination for election in accordance with Part XIV of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*.

Senator's name:

FATIMA PAYMAN


Signature of senator

23/8/22
Date

Supplementary material attached

YES

NO

NOTES

- (1) In making this attestation, a senator may provide supplementary material. Supplementary material may augment, explain, or correct earlier information, but will not result in removal from the Register of Senators' Qualifications material that was previously entered on the Register. Supplementary material can be provided using the [Supplementary material form](#).
- (2) Email a signed copy of this statement to the Registrar of Senators' Interests: senators_interests@aph.gov.au.