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I would like to add my voice to those opposing the purchasing of nuclear powered submarines by the Australian government.

It is a belligerent act that could be a stimulus to other countries feeling threatened and so increasing their defence spending and seeking greater protection by whatever means.

It is the thin end of the wedge, increasing the possibility of Australia acquiring a nuclear industry and weapons. It is a collaboration with the USA that increases our dependency on it and makes us more subservient to their national interest rather than our own.

Finally, the huge costs involved are extravagant when we are facing a climate emergency when such expenditures could be used to ameliorate it.

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