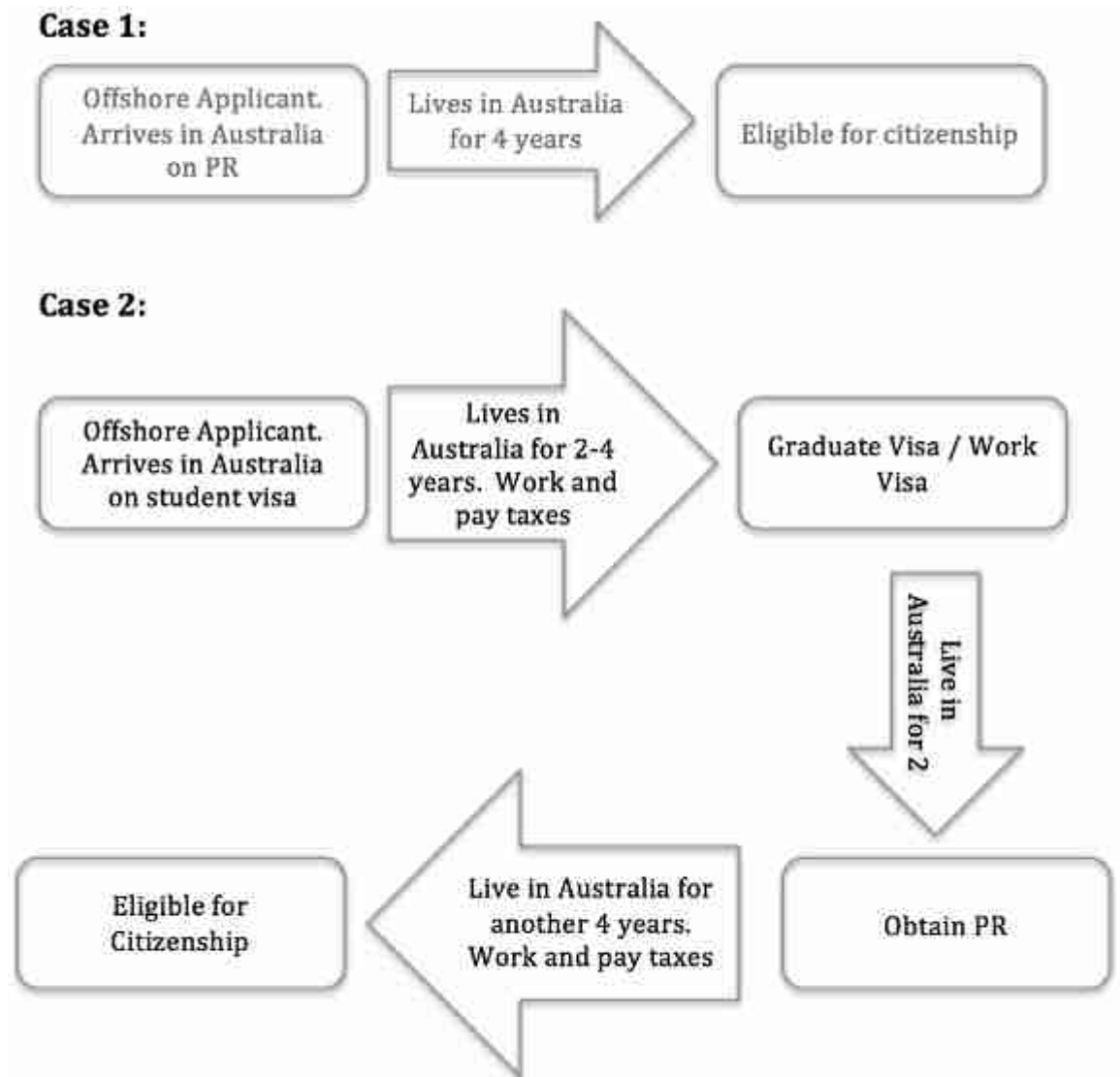


*Honorable Senators and Respected members of the Parliament,*

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the changes in citizenship eligibility requirements announced by the government recently.

**Background:**

First of all, I would like to bring to attention of the inquiry committee, that government is misleading everyone by continuously stating that currently immigrants need to live in Australia for only one year before becoming a citizen of Australia. According to the current citizenship act, every applicant must demonstrate that he/she has lived in this country for at least 4 years including last twelve months as a permanent resident. On the other hand, these new policies introduced by Turnbull Government require each applicant to demonstrate that he/she has lived in Australia for at least 4 years as a Permanent resident. I will elaborate the unfairness of this new rule with the following picture:



The Government is claiming that the above two cases are essentially the same. It is beyond my comprehension how **case 1 = case 2?**