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Proposed Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation Project, Broadmeadows Victoria.

Dear Mr. Secretary

I am writing to you on behalf of the residents of the suburb of Craigieburn in support of our neighbouring association, the Broadmeadows Progress Association, to express our concern as to the upgrading of the current Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation (MITA) compound on Camp Rd. Broadmeadows to a high security facility.

It has been brought to our attention that there has been very little community consultation with the residents of Broadmeadows in relation to this upgrade, nor has there been any information disseminated to the local and broader community as to the social, economic and safety implications of such an upgrade.

It has also been brought to our attention that the Federal Government plans to spend at least \$29.067,000 on this upgrade, with no other known investment in the area in the near future.

I would appreciate it if you could take the time to consider the points raised in this submission.

Yours sincerely,

Debra Phippen  
President  
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