Amendments to the International Health Regulations Submission 7

Dear Secretary,

This is to register my objection to the Australian Government's agreeing to any amendments to the WHO's International Health Regulations which may impinge in any way on Australia's sovereign right to make health policy decisions for Australia. The Director General position in the WHO is an unelected post currently filled by a foreigner with potential for conflict-of-interest decision-making and corruption. Furthermore the WHO is largely funded by private interests with their own agendas which may not be in Australia's best interests (e.g, mandating use of inadequately-tested and potentially unsafe vaccines which may be in the financial interest of WHO private financiers).

Australia may make poor policy decisions, such as we saw in the COVID pandemic, but allowing Australia's health policies to be dictated by the WHO in the future could result in even worse outcomes.

Advice from the WHO, yes, but signing on for amendments which may restrict Australia's policy decisions, definitely no!

Thankyou for the opportunity to comment (Dr) Colin McQueen