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Dear Committee Secretary,

Inquiry into the Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Bill 2010

I refer to the submission by the Victorian Section of the International Commission of Jurists in relation to the above Inquiry sent by email to you on 15 July 2010 on behalf of the Australian Section of the International Commission of Jurists.

ICJ Australia wholeheartedly supports the submission and the recommendations contained therein. ICJ Australia supports the establishment of a Joint Parliamentary Committee on Human Rights proposed by the 2010 Bill as well as the introduction of Statements of Compatibility.

ICJ Australia submits that the Bills should be passed into law as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

The Hon John Dowd AO QC
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