

Submission No.70.....

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My Brief (why brief when it overturns the past and changes the future) Submission

- Who will select who will sit on the International Criminal Court?
- If Australia accepts this body's power over Australian citizens would Australia have an elected member to the International Criminal Court?
- What is the formula this International Criminal Court will be using to decide what is of interest to the "International Community"?
- If Australia accepts this International Criminal Court having higher jurisdiction than Australian Courts, does Australia have the right to help establish the criteria and status of this "interest" to the International Community?
- Do the Crimes of International interest include i) political crimes (whose side is Australia on in all disagreements?) ii) religious crimes (which religious leader should have the greater International Interest – the long dead one or the living ones?) iii) crimes of greed (the manipulators of the international currencies?)
- Can Australia agree to "conditional agreement" – the first condition being that Australian Courts and Governments retain the highest power in the land – but the International Criminal Court have a protocol whereby it may have input into specific types of crimes.

Footnote:

In New Zealand recently an Asian man, regarded as an 'International criminal', wanted for drug smuggling in several countries, including New Zealand, was captured. USA was demanding his extradition before he had been tried in the country of his capture: New Zealand. This demand was not allowed to take precedence over the New Zealand Courts. In the case of an International Court having greater power this wanted man would have been taken and tried – by whom? Where to serve his sentence? What would the terms of punishment be? Or would he have been secreted away as the French bombers of the Greenpeace boat 'Rainbow Warrior' were because the French Government had more power than the New Zealand Government?