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Dear Ms. Vamvakinou,

As you are a member of the committee inquiring into multiculturalism in Australia, I am writing to you to put my views. I also ask that this letter be treated as a submission to that enquiry.

We are not a vacuous country bereft of beliefs, culture and history; and multiculturalism should not equate to dumping our heritage as many citizens are wont to do.

Despite many wilfully uneducated citizens thinking otherwise, Australia has always had its history and its culture and it is this: modern Australia has a British heritage and culture with our government and judiciary based on Judeo-Christian principles and beliefs. All, of course, stemming from our beginnings as a British colony.

In welcoming new citizens we should not be pretending Australia has nothing culturally to offer. Instead, we should recognise immigrants are coming to Australia for what we are today. Those coming to our country know (or should know) the values, Christian heritage and Judeo-Christian basis of our judicial systems and should embrace them, not seek to subvert them and bring their own incompatible ideas, systems and beliefs in an effort to turn Australia into the places they have left behind.

To welcome people from other countries does not mean Australia must sell its birthright: its systems that have helped maintain our stable democracy. There is a huge difference between embracing foods of a different culture and adopting beliefs, laws, religious courts and systems of justice and government from other cultures that are foreign and incompatible.

We do not want and we do not need Sharia law, or any part of it. Sharia law is from a religious faith which, when practised in its true form is totally incompatible with Australia's parliamentary government and Judeo-Christian judicial system. I have read widely on this subject and to those who see no incompatibility I can confidently say they are ignorant of the reality.

Australia's general prosperity over two hundred years is a direct result of our Christian foundations and reliance on Almighty God, whether or not people choose to acknowledge this fact. Psalm 127 verse 1 warns that unless we put Almighty God first we are wasting our time trying to run a city or government.

Should we introduce another basis or parts thereof for our government or judiciary we can only expect the blessings of Almighty God to be withdrawn and for divisions and double standards to become commonplace. "the Lord saith...for them that honour Me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed" 1Samuel 2:30.

The effects can already be seen from the many godless laws passed by successive State and Federal governments leading to the declining morals and rising social problems for which most people have no idea how to resolve but it is clear from Proverbs 14:11 that "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man: but the end thereof are the ways of death."

I want to hear from you that you will respect and uphold our Australian Christian heritage and not promote as appealing the power and sway of laws and judicial systems foreign and incompatible with our Christian heritage.

Yours faithfully,