



The Chair
Senate Hearings Committee
ASIO Powers
Parliament House
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Secretary	<i>[Signature]</i>

Sir,

I recently wrote to the Attorney General to once again make clear my objections to the powers that have been given to ASIO to fight terrorism. In particular I objected to:

The power to arrest and detain for lengthy periods of time without explanation or with out suspicion of the committing of a crime;

The authority to refuse people so detained the right to contact lawyers or family;

Prosecution of those who speak of their detention.

These provisions represent a denial of the basic rights that people have to association, freedom, movement and speech. I do not believe that there is any merit in fighting terror with government sponsored terror. I object to the legislation and am opposed to the extending of the sunset clause. The legislation should be struck from the books.

Yours sincerely

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