

**Australian Parliament
Joint Standing Committee on Migration
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Maria Vamvakinou MP

Dear Maria,

As an Australian of British decent I cherish our christian heritage and system of government, and the consequential democratic system. I am strongly against the notion of multiculturalism , as the rest of the world shows it to be an abject failure. I think an important and often overlooked distinction should be made. There is a difference between a nation that hosts different racial backgrounds but unites under a common banner, a common belief and see,s there new nation as home. The problem is that many immigrants have left there home country because of the political and social framework that is a problem. And very often that political and social framework is governed by the religion they practice. they then come to Australia to flee the troubles, only to want to retain there own culture and religion, the source of the trouble they left behind. Australia should be proud of its Christian heritage and beginnings , welcoming others but not at the expense of our culture.

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