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Message:

To: The Committee Secretary
Joint Standing Committee
on Electoral Matters
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600
Australia

Dear Sir,

This submission is in response to the JSCEM's invitation for public comment as part of its Inquiry into the Conduct of the 2001 Federal Election.

I am an Australian Citizen living in the USA and have been since my family moved here when I was 14 years old. I have retained my citizenship because I have always felt a strong kinship with Australia. Since I was not of voting age when I left Australia I have never been on the election roll. I feel that it is very important for me to have a voice in Australian politics although I have no way to get involved. There is no clear direction for what I need to do to get involved, if I can at all. Please allow my story and voice to be heard, I want to stay involved as long as my country still wants me.