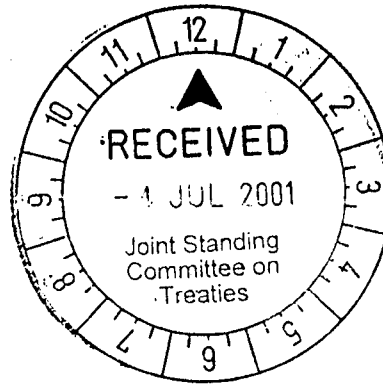


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1st July 2001.

Committee Secretary,
Joint Standing Committee on Treaties,
Department of House of Representative,
Parliament House,
CANBERRA ACT 2600.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: International Criminal Court.

The International Criminal Court (ICC) is no doubt honourable, in stopping war type crimes as we have seen, eg Balkans. But while appearing to uphold "International Law" and punish international criminals, the Court would violate our inherent rights as citizens, military personnel and government officials from any place in the world. It violates national sovereignty.

There is a lack of legal safeguards as we have in Australia's Judicial System. Any ICC Prosecutor has unprecedented and extraordinary powers worldwide. The definition of "international crimes" is too broad so much so that they could include "common crimes".

As a concerned citizen of Australian I sincerely ask you

NOT TO RECOMMEND THE RATIFICATION OF THE ICC.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brenda Lee".

Brenda Lee.