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Dear Secretary,

As a private individual, I would like to make a submission to the Joint Standing Committee on Constitutional Recognition of Local Government.

It is my understanding that there is no basis for law in Australia, nor has there been for approximately 93 years.

Whereas it is my understanding that as a legal entity the 'Commonwealth of Australia' owed its existence to and Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, namely, 'An Act to constitute the Commonwealth of Australia' (UK) 1900, and

Whereas it is my understanding that the Act to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia was a colonial Act as it does not contain any elements of sovereignty or civil rights, and

Whereas it is my understanding that colonial law is law of subjugation, and

Whereas it is my understanding that the legal structure that was put in place as a result of 'An Act to constitute the Commonwealth of Australia' (UK) 1900 did not allow/accord Australia the sovereignty, powers or independence to negotiate treaties with other nations, and

Whereas it is my understanding that representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia signed the Peace Treaty of Versailles on 28<sup>th</sup> of June, 1919, which was ratified by the Parliament by 1<sup>st</sup> of October, 1919, and

Whereas it is my understanding that when the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia ratified the signing of the Treaty of Versailles on October 1, 1919, the Commonwealth of Australia achieved sovereign independent nation status thus separating itself from the Act of British law, (an Act to Constitute the Commonwealth of Australia), the instrument that created it, and

Whereas it is my understanding that when Australia achieved independence the United Kingdom Act which created the legal entity 'Commonwealth of Australia' became, in a legal sense, redundant, and

Whereas it is my understanding that as a consequence valid sovereignty over the Commonwealth of Australia moved from the Queen (which actually means the UK Parliament because, under the terms of the ‘Act of Settlement 1701’, the Queen is appointed by, and therefore subordinate to, the UK Parliament) of the United Kingdom to the Australian people, and

Whereas it is my understanding that from the time that the Commonwealth of Australia became a sovereign nation (28<sup>th</sup> of June 1919 - when representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia signed the Treaty of Versailles and ratified on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1919) the individuals assuming power in both the State and Federal governments as well as the judiciaries and bureaucracies have done so without being granted the necessary legitimate power, that is, the necessary authority, by the people, and

Whereas it is my understanding that the current government is de facto – they have steadfastly and consistently refused to act to bring about the changes needed to overcome multiple problems regarding our Constitution and who or what is the basis for law in this country, and

Whereas it is my understanding that as a result we are in effect still a colony to a foreign government, and

Whereas it is my understanding that the conclusion that must be reached (under the UN Charter and various Resolutions) that valid and legal government does not exist in Australia, and

Whereas it is my understanding that under such circumstances international law rules that the expression of government and representation of the State reverts directly to the sovereign people, and

Whereas it is my understanding that a change in sovereignty necessarily results in a break in legal continuity, and

Whereas it is my understanding that the politicians that have held office since that date have failed to create the legal instrument necessary to bridge the legal void created through this change in sovereignty i.e. the Act that created the legal entity called the ‘Commonwealth of Australia’ was not repealed (nor can it be repealed by the Australian government as it originated by the UK parliament and can only be repealed by the UK parliament) or replaced by a system of government belonging to the Australian people.

Whereas it is my understanding that all of the above listed events are true and recorded facts, we are now asked to put forward a submission on Constitutional recognition of Local Council.

### **My concern and objection is twofold.**

First, local councils have never been nor can they be considered as local government. Let us assume that the abovementioned Act ‘An Act to constitute the Commonwealth of Australia’ (UK) 1900 is in fact the basis of law within Australia. Local councils don’t even get a mention. However, should the recommendation be in favour of allowing local councils to achieve the same status as State Government, the Constitution would have to be rewritten (and rewritten by the UK Parliament, who

created the Act to start with) to accord them the legal power they obviously seek. Therefore the whole proposal and the implications have not been put forward for thought, consideration or comment.

Information is available that clearly demonstrates the totality of the arrogance of Local Councils and it is clear that Local Councils ability to make laws at will is because they have all the powers of the STATE and ARE considered a State in all but name. The exception being (and a very important one) that Local Councils, unlike the States in our Constitution, don't have any of the burden of recognizing our rights or being accountable to anyone, nor the restrictions as laid down in the Constitution for our current States.

Instead of serving the Local Communities as was the case in the past, they are lording over the communities and usurping our sovereignty with accountability it seems, to no-one; including those who voted for them. They are becoming a law unto themselves. This should not be tolerated or glossed over and provides a picture of what is to come should local councils be accorded more power.

**There is another exceptionally important issue at hand.** Beginning in 1973 and at various milestones since that time, all levels of government have become corporate entities.

Upon enquiry, I have found the ABN for the Western Downs Regional Council to be 912 32 587 651.

I have found the ABN for the Australian Electoral Commission to be 21 133 285 851 and the Electoral Commission of Queensland has ABN 69 195 695 244.

I have found the ABN for the QUEENSLAND STATE GOVERNMENT to be 75 818 456 675

Even the Federal government has set up shop as a corporation with the title "COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA" ABN122 104 616 and also listed on the American Securities Exchange Commission No. 000 080 5157,

**This means that governments at various levels have been morphed into companies and/or corporations.** This would mean they no longer operate under Common Law but solely under statutory law and/or laws contained within the Companies Charter. **This is a major legal & fundamental change and can only occur with the consent of those governed i.e. the people of Australia. This consent has never been given.**

**Additionally, all corporations/companies have shareholders. In this case, just who are they??**

Unfortunately, no government at any level has had the integrity to own up to deceitful & deceptive practices that actually have placed human beings into enslavement via registration, applications, licences and submissions. We have become a republic in all but name and our lawful rights have been sidelined to deal solely with contract law between a PERSON and the de facto corporate government. I remain unimpressed.

Thus I am forced to conclude that this move to recognise local council and accord them government status is a continuation of this deceit to further remove freedoms that belong to all people.

I am also forced to conclude that this direction has come from either a small group of people in Australia or foreign groups who have an agenda to further control the population. There are definite links to this concept and the UN Agenda 21, which has among its goals the idea of massive population reduction.

**Therefore, I must recommend to the Joint Committee that the issue of Constitutional Recognition of Local Government be abandoned and rather the issues outlined in brief above be put forward as a matter of priority.**

Yours Sincerely,  
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