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The Secretary
House of Representatives
Economics, Finance and Public
Administration Committee
Parliament House
Canberra.A.C.T.2601.

Dear Sir,
will you please place this submission
before the Committee for their consideration:

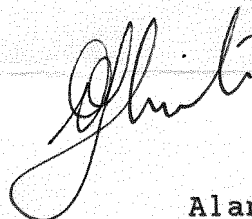
INQUIRY INTO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND COST SHIFTING

Federal Government may grant money or other resources to whoever it chooses, including local government. However, when the Federal Government attaches conditions to these resources it gives de facto recognition to local government. Two referenda seeking to give this recognition to Federal Government were defeated. It is always open to the Federal Government to put the question again in yet another referendum. However, to give de facto recognition before such a referendum, would appear to be unconstitutional.

I respectfully request that the Committee considers this aspect of the matter and includes their conclusion in their report.

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Yours sincerely,



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