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**The Inquiry Secretary,
Mr Bob Morris
Joint Standing Committee On Treaties
Dept Of House Of Representatives
Parliament House
Canberra A.C.T. 2000**

Dear Sir,

As a private citizen I wish to indicate my objection to the consideration of any overseas proposal that will be binding on the citizens of Australia.

Our elected representatives are responsible for internal issues that effect electors but any issues that ties us to international agreements should be first agreed to or rejected by all citizens by a referendum.

An international criminal court should not override the authority of our own institutions nor should citizens of this country be bound to decisions made by an external authority whose recognition of our common law rights are suspect. I urge the committee to reject this proposal.

**Yours sincerely
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