

To: Committee, EM (REPS)
Subject: submission to JSCEM

Submission to JSCEM, 2010 Election:

We are Australian citizen living in Houston TX, USA. We have been living outside Australia since September 1996.

We are not currently on the Commonwealth electoral roll, although we were on the roll through until 1999. We have attempted to get re-registered but have been declined. One of our children is over 18 and would be eligible to vote, but was declined registration.

The registration of Australian expats living overseas should be updated to allow us to vote. We are excluded from representation in our country of birth and citizenship, which is undemocratic.

Russell & Jennifer Tait