

**To the Federal Parliament's Migration Committee (Joint Committee of both Houses) which has launched**

**an inquiry into multiculturalism in Australia.**

(My apologies for the late submission)

To the Chairperson:

I'd like to say what a privilege it is to live in a country that values the cultures of others as it has definitely not been possible for this to be seen in countries from where many of us have come from.

This country on the other hand values others. However, it is important to point out that all the wonderful core values of Australians who have come in long before we have and have sacrificed their lives for the freedom that we enjoy here, **be not** compromised in the desire to please everybody. It is important as it has been for me, for new arrivals to assimilate into the Australian mainstream culture. The lack of peace, stability and economic equality that one has escaped from must not be exchanged for something that is alien to Australian democracy. Hence I believe assimilation is the key for long term peace and stability of this beautiful land of Australia.

Regards,