



Submission No. 138

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5 Bristol Court  
FOREST HILL 3131

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The Secretary  
Joint Standing Committee on Treaties  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam,

My family and I are totally opposed to the formulation of the International Criminal Court for the following reasons –

It would be a surrender of Australia's sovereignty

To surrender our sovereignty would be a violation of our Constitution, and would border on treason by the Executive Government

The objectivity and independence of the Prosecutor would be dangerously subjected to powerful and well-funded Non-Government Organisations

The intended function of this court was to deal with the Crime of Genocide and Human Rights Abuses, however I believe that separate temporary courts set up for specific investigations are more appropriate and pose a lesser threat to nations and their sovereignty.

The powers of an International Criminal Court would be dangerously abused to further the social engineering presently carried out by well-funded minority groups.

**FOR THE SAKE OF THE NATION**  
**NO ICC**

Your faithfully,

Catharina O'Connor