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Re inquiry and report on 'The social, economic and industrial issues specific to workers over 45 years of age seeking employment, or establishing a business, following unemployment'

Further to our previous correspondence on the above subject, I am writing to enclose copies of recent applications my younger brother Mr J.C.Duff-Tytler, aged 61, has passed on to me, and which I send for your perusal, with his permission. He tells me he has sufficient of similar refusals to these, to wallpaper a whole room! What does one do in such circumstances?

In the meantime, my brother has to continue living, paying council rates, water, electricity rates, added to all the other living expenses for which he does not get any concession at all. (He thought it was prudent to pay off his house, when work was getting scarce, last year, so Thank God he has one less worry). However, his outlook for the future, with a pension only forthcoming at age 65 to even ease his burden, is very bleak.

Your committee refers to people 'from the age of 45' but what about those like my brother who are at the other end of this scale, and still have to survive for three and a half years before the pension ?

A news item on radio 2CH last week said there were thousands of clerical jobs available, partly due to the forthcoming Olympics, for which it is being considered that overseas applicants will have to be resorted to. Where are these jobs, and why cannot people such as my brother who has adequate education be given this or similar employment before overseas applicants are considered?

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs. Beryl T. Mitchell.

Attached; 1)Application and reply from Australian Bureau of Statistics, 27th July '99,
2) Reply from Bensons Group Training Assoc, 2nd Aug '99
3) Application and reply from Warman International Ltd, dated 26 July '99.

My brother has also systematically noted newspaper advertisement and all other relevant details, regarding the application, as you can see.

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