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Committee Secretary
 Joint Standing Committee on Migration
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to express my concern about Immigration of Migrants under the Skilled Migration scheme. Although I am sure many skilled and adequately qualified persons are allowed to gain entry and contribute to our society under this scheme, I am greatly concerned by the large number of NON skilled migrants who have gained access to the country.

You may be aware of the very large number of migrants from South Africa who are granted permanent Residence in Australia. Many of these are skilled and qualified in their field and presumably required in areas where there are no Australians to fill a need for employment. I personally know many who adequately match the above description.

I also know many who have recently arrived under the skilled migration scheme who do not match the requirements.

Examples of this are "Mine Manager"(NOT now or never has worked in a mine in Australia)
 Telstra Worker- (how many skilled Australians have been made redundant in this area recently?)
 Trades Assistant- no skills required

While these examples may be anecdotal, I put them forward so that you may be aware of a very glaring violation of requirements for Skilled Migration.

Perhaps some Migration Agents used by applicants from South Africa may need special investigation.

I put this forward for your information

Yours sincerely