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To whom it may concern  
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(1) We all know that natural sciences, mathematics, technology & engineering and medicine are directly relevant for the economic boost of a nation.

(2) We should also know that the Art and related sciences are of different category, and yes they do not contribute directly to a nation's "economy". But the students of art in TAFE or elsewhere DO contribute directly to keep the nation healthy in terms creativity, mental health, ethics, philosophy, literature and independent thinking, which are all absolutely necessary to move the nation forward to achieve the crime-free and advanced-society status.

It is appalling to note that there exists a Committee of Inquiry set up to judge the role of Art in TAFE and its operation. Apart from the points stated above, you should realize that (3) the right-to-education applies to all, so that ALL have some chance in the pursuit of happiness accepted by universal ethical system.

The irony here is that, the public were requested to justify the subject matter stated in the subject line (of this email) with respect to some ridiculous points, and these five points read,

- (i) Development of skills in the Australian economy
- (ii) The development of opportunities for Australians to improve themselves and increase their life and employment prospects
- (iii) The delivery of services and programs to support regions, communities and disadvantaged individuals to access training and skills and through them a pathway to employment
- (iv) The operation of a competitive training market
- (v) Those jurisdictions in which state governments have announced funding decisions which may impact on their operation and viability.

show that this "committee-of-Inquiry" are not aware of the universal points stated above [see (1) to (3)].

Before setting up the committee, the authority should have used their extra brain (if they had any) to consult the relevant experts (in the universities, including from TAFE) on the points, (1) to (3).

Getting the GET UP members to get involved again and again, only show the gross incompetence of the Australian government and the Australian learned societies as a whole.

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