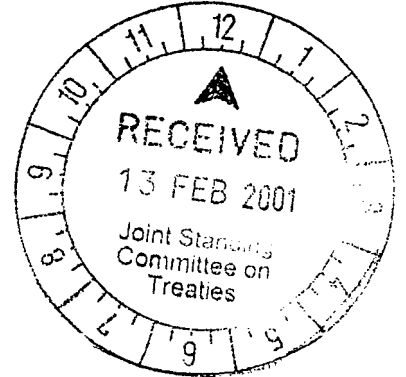


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THE INQUIRY SECRETARY
MR. BOB MORRIS
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Dear Sir,

As a private citizen, I wish to indicate my objection to the consideration of any overseas proposal that will be binding on the citizens of Australia. Our elected representatives are responsible for internal issues that effect their electors. But, any issue that ties us to international agreements should be first agreed to, or rejected by, all citizens per medium of a referendum.

An International Criminal Court should not over ride the authority of our own institutions. Nor should the citizens of this country be bound to decisions made by any external authority, whose recognition of our common law rights are suspect. I urge the committee to reject this proposal.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M.C. Turner".