

**Australian Parliament
Joint Standing Committee on Migration
Submission no. 156**

To: Chairperson of the Migration Committee

Dear Madam,

It seems that many people from many different cultures desire to come to live in our country, Australia.

We can understand this because we have one of the best countries in the world in which to live. Our way of life exhibits personal freedom and respect for life and property under law based on the Westminster system, (itself based on the Christian Bible, as stated in the Coronation Oaths taken by the Queen of Australia and Britain.) Our lifestyle also involves general prosperity, reasonable educational prospects and every opportunity of living an enjoyable and productive life in a tolerant society.

This attraction to our shores can be a positive outcome for us IF our own culture remains fundamentally unaltered by the intake of new people....that is, if they are interested in joining us and enjoying our way of life with us. Our own original culture is why they wanted to come in the first place. We do not see queues of people waiting to get into the lands from which these new visitors are coming....why? Because the degree of personal freedom, respect for life and property, economic, scholastic opportunity etc is not like ours. Why is that? Because the culture of those nations was generally repressive and intolerant, not being based upon the same foundation of law, values and beliefs that we have here.. Christianity brings freedom, peace, order, creativity and confidence into a nation.

Australia is a country whose history and society was and is based on her Christian culture...only Christianity will allow other religions to be practised freely, not because it recognises them as valid alternatives, but because true Christianity never forces conversion. Where other cultures contravene our law, eg. mutilation of young girls, polygamy, physical abuse within families... those customs must change, not our law . Our Christian and national traditions and holidays should be preserved, and not removed to please the newcomers.

I personally came to Australia from Britain, embraced the culture, was naturalised and have endeavoured to add value to this country. I certainly did not expect Australia to change its ways for me, but was delighted at the opportunity I was given, to be able to settle here

When you enter the house of another person as a guest or visitor, you adjust to the rules of the household out of courtesy and respect to your host, in whose house you are standing. You do not demand or threaten or endeavour to change the order of things, but you try to fit in with the way things are done there.

Thank you for reading my submission. I love this country and I want her to be the same for my children and grandchildren as she was for me.

God bless Australia.

Sincerely,

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