

To the joint standing committee on migration

I would like to take this opportunity to add to the migration debate.

My parents came to Australia after ww2 as refugees escaping the Nazi occupation. They were very grateful for their new home even though they spent a lot of time in detention centres. Sometimes they were in tents. After some time they became citizens and lived in the western suburbs of Sydney. They both worked and fitted in with the Aussie culture and way of life. I was born here and at school I was a Kraut, I had friends that were wogs, spicks, poms i – ties and others. We all grew up together without any problem learning from each other. The one thing we had in common we were all of Christian background.

It is blatantly obvious that the problems began with migration from non Christian countries. They believe they are the only religion and their way of life is the right one. Bit by Bit we have given in to these people. It is one thing to be tolerant but not at the expense of our own culture.

As an example, many people want to ban Christmas festivities as it may offend other nationalities, Namely Muslims. In Germany Christmas is celebrated on Christmas eve and presents are brought by a Christ Child. There is no Santa as such but there is a ST Nicolas day early in December when small gifts are left in shoes. All my life I have celebrated this way until I had my own family and we combined the two. Never have I heard Germans get offended over Santa but respected and joined in the tradition of Christmas.

The next point is the treatment of women in Muslim culture. They are belittled and not shown any respect. Merely servants of their husbands. This then leads on to the rapes and violence these people display towards Australian women and total hatred for the country that has taken them in. There is a Middle Eastern crime squad to deal with it. Is there a Maltese or Spanish one. No.

Have swimming pools been closed to the public so Italian ladies can have a swim, No.

Now we have Halal Mc donalds , red Lea chickens and Halal endorsed cheese.

WE have let these people in this country in good faith but they are now dictating the terms under which they live here. There are many that have embraced our way of life but the vast majority still live by their rules.

No starker reality are the asylum seekers who you would think are grateful to at least be in Australia resort to burning detention centres as a protest.

I know many people who are trying to bring loved ones to Australia but the red tape and cost is horrendous. These are the people who should be considered first.

Yours Sincerely