

**SENATE FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE
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**INQUIRY INTO GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN
SERVICES AND AUSTRALIA/US FREE TRADE AGREEMENT**

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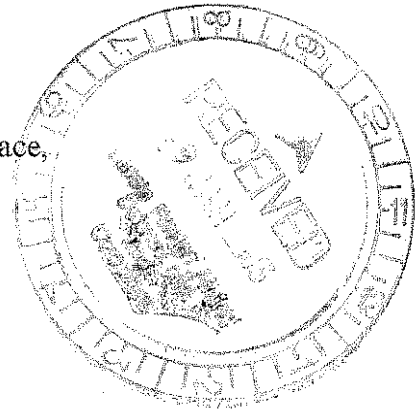
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General Agreement on Trade in Services
(GATS)

It seems that just about every service, 160 in all, will be covered by this agreement including health, hospitals, water supply, sewerage, construction, transport, public transport, prisons, telephone services , etc.

All services have to be put out to tender and the lowest tender has to be accepted, therefore Australians stand no chance of competing, only international concerns will succeed. (The multinationals).

We will lose control of every aspect of our lives, as control falls into the hands of multinational companies, not subject to Australian local or national government. They will be able to set wages and conditions for workers, and employ foreign cheap labour. They will also be able to flood Australia with immigrants with which our people will have to compete for jobs, with disadvantage.

Democracy will go down the drain as we will be unable to have any say in proceedings.

National sovereignty will diminish as Canberra hands over control to big business.

I strongly reject the whole package.

Yours sincerely,

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