

**SENATE FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE
REFERENCES COMMITTEE**

**INQUIRY INTO GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN
SERVICES AND AUSTRALIA/US FREE TRADE AGREEMENT**

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DEAR SIR/MADAM.

MY WIFE & I WISH TO EXPRESS OUR STRONG
OPPOSITION TO ANY EXTENSION OR TRADE LIBERALISATION
TO THE GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE & SERVICE (GATS) PARTICULARLY
IN RELATION TO THE PRIVATISATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES SUCH
AS WATER, HEALTH & EDUCATION.

IN OUR EIGHTY PLUS EXISTENCE, WE HAVE SEEN
"PRIVATISATION" RESULT IN THE LOWERING OF OUR STANDARDS OF
LIFE WITH THE SUBSEQUENT FURTHER ENRICHMENT OF THE FEW.

GOVERNMENTS MAY MAKE FALSE CLAIMS THAT THEY NEED
MORE MONEY FOR SERVICES, YET FIND NO SUCH PROBLEMS IN
RELATIONS TO WAR FUNDING.

WE FEEL THAT IT IS TIME THE ORDINARY AUSTRALIANS
HAD A FAIR GO

YOURS FAITHFULLY

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