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Senate Legal and Constitutional References Committee  
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Dear Sir/Madam

RE: MIGRATION LEGISLATION (FURTHER BORDER PROTECTION  
MEASURE) BILL 2002

I write as a citizen of this country who is greatly concerned about the action of the Australian Government in relation to extending the exclusion zone thereby denying certain Asylum Seekers the opportunity to exercise their human rights to claim asylum in this country. A country which once had an international reputation as a place where everyone would receive a "Fair Go".

History has shown that the more desperate people are for the safety of themselves and their families the more desperate will be the means they will take to achieve that goal. There is no evidence to suggest that the latest draconian measures will in any way prevent them from facing further risks of exploitation and moral peril.

Australia already has more than sufficient legislation in place to address legitimate concerns in relation to border protection, therefore I want to recommend that your committee:

- a) rejects the Bill because it is in direct opposition to universally accepted basic human rights
- b) rejects the Bill because it does not guarantee border protection
- c) rejects the Bill because an extension of the already existing policy is unnecessary
- d) reject the Bill because of its implications for the people living in the proposed exclusion zone
- e) reject the Bill because enough Government money has already been squandered on unsatisfactory measures to avoid dealing justly with Asylum Seekers.

Thank you for your consideration of this urgent matter

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joan L. Kinnane".