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Dear Sir / Madam,

5th January 2006

I am a nine year old girl who lives at Zurrieq, a very picturesque and historical village in the south of Malta. I have two youngest sisters of 5 and 3 years old. My father Christopher West, was born in Australia in 1966 and presently he is striving a lot to re-obtain his Australian citizenship.

In fact, I'm writing this letter on behalf of my two sisters, to let you know that we already feel ourselves as Australian citizens. In case we will be considered as new citizens, Australia will be much more appreciated by us and by all those who may benefit from this precious opportunity. As the old times, Australia has always offered a good shelter to the Maltese emigrants and for this all the Maltese had been grateful. As a result of this the Maltese had since long benefited from this response and many of them had expanded their business, helped the Australian economy to develop and found a good fortune.

On the other hand, as a Maltese child, there are many things which I can take to Australia. Examples of these are: - the religious values, our traditional food recipes, our Maltese folklore, and many others. As Australians, my sister and I will benefit a lot. Educationally, we will have a wiser choice in selecting the schools to attend according to our needs and goals. Above all, since Australia is a large country, we will grow more independent and open-minded. The unluckiest thing we would not like to experience in our early lives is the

denial of the Australian citizenship. This 'nightmare' will
gail our dreams that together with our parents, we always
think of. We would never like to experience thize, since
agfter all, the citizenship is our right to obtain.

Thanks and regards

Yours' Suthgully

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