

## MALTESE PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (INC.)

President: Louise Vink

Secretary: Paul Calleja

The Secretary
Senate Legal and Constitutional
References Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Dear Sir

The committee of the Maltese Professional and Business Association have read and discussed the submission, to the Parliamentary Inquiry into Australian Expatriates by Ms Kate Bonello Sullivan, of The Malta Cross Group 2 St Paul's Square, Mdina RBT 12 MALTA.

We agree with her views and support her petition on the issue of disenfranchised Australian Citizens resulting from the Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment Bill 2001.

We urge those in authority to take the necessary measures that will permit those Australians who lost their Australian Citizenship in the past, through acquiring another foreign citizenship, to be granted dual citizenship on the same basis as other Australians.

Yours sincerely

Louise Vink

President