

I wish to express the strongest possible disapproval of our current system. I feel appalled and to call myself Australian.

The white Australia policy, as grossly discriminatory and unacceptable as it was, was far more humane than our current system.

The 2 recent incidents of wrongful detention and deortation of Australian citizens cannot highlight more strongly how ineffectual our system is in determining the details of detainees and how genuine their claim for refugee status is.

And as for the suggestion that we remove their children and only put the parents into detention! Haven't we learned anything from the stolen generation whose activities have been found to be genocidal according to the definition of the UN.

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