This is a short email to our Prim Minister and the Government.

I and my family are very concerned and frieghtened of what has come over our leaders and their proposal for an Anti- Terrorism Bill.

I would like to oppose the Bill because it will set the free world back to the days of Facism. We are a great country with great people and we should not be dictated to by others.

I am a moslem migrant from 1965 and i believe in this country and what it stands for. For the past 30 years my family and i have lived in this country in peace and harmony. But now I have serious concerns for the many innocent people, like myself and my family if such a Bill is passed.

Our society is a civilised society however this proposal brings about many concerns for all. It will affect some of the most fundamental freedoms that any civilised society is built on. such as presumption of innocence.

The Bill needs to be given enough time to be discussed and debated so that we know we are doing the right thing by all people.

What is realy behind the governments rush to pass this bill, especially on Melbourne Cup Day? Is there a hidden agenda? Is is possible that they feel that if given enough time to debate that people will see the hidden dangers of such bill.

I strongly object to this Bill and the impacts it will have on our society, such as:
The Impact of control orders, the impact of prevetative detention, the impact of random stop search powers, impact on inciting racial discrimination and the impact on privacy.

We must be given the chance to have community consultation and debate. The opposition, the Senate and the public must have the chance to scrutinise this very important proposal.

Do not allow this erosion of our freedom and our human rights. This country has worked too hard to gain these right not let them be taken away in ten minutes or overnight.

Yours sencerly Mejda Eldan Barden Ridge.

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