

Dear Sir/Madam

As a writer and proud Australian, I am deeply concerned by the proposed Anti-Terrorism Bill, particularly the revival and expansion of the archaic Sedition laws. If it is true that the terrorists despise our way of life and mean to destroy it, then the existence of this reactionary law is dramatic proof that they have, in fact, already succeeded. There is nothing to fear from speech, and inhibiting it will only drive potential terrorists further underground.

Yours sincerely,

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