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Inquiry into Multiculturalism in Australia

To the Joint Standing Committee

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Multiculturalism is part of our society and continually needs to be fostered and nurtured by our Federal and State representatives—this does NOT happen.

Over the past few decades our tolerance for acceptance of immigrants has decreased to an all-time low. The after effects of the US 9/11 bombings have had a lasting effect on our psyche (even though atrocities were occurring prior) to the extent that the Muslims and the Muslim religion is now well and truly on our “hate” list—and it is fostered by our “so called” Leaders.

Is it any wonder that Muslims who are able to remain in our country look for the company of like-minded souls and try and settle where they have “friends”.

I do think that any immigrant who is allowed to remain in our country should become naturalised and to fully understand what this means.

The big problem is if they choose not become naturalised, do we send them back to their own country?

There is no doubt that multiculturalism has enhanced our way of life—our big problem now is how to overcome the FEARS and educate the people.

Quite a lot of our countrymen and women are ‘flooded’ by incorrect emails and ‘suggestive’ media reports that feed these fears.

Education and Public Forums, involving all ethnic groups, are constantly needed to try and quell fears and promote harmony in our communities.

It’s easy to be negative and say “this will never happen” but we must never stop trying.

I understand that there are about 13 or so submissions to this Inquiry—how sad and apathetic have we become! But then again, I only heard of this just now—by email!

Thank You,