

## **We The People**

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An Open Letter to the Prime Minister



With so many challenges facing Australia I thought it time to write a letter to the Prime Minister Tony Abbott. Now of itself that's not all that unusual as I am a prolific letter writer but this dissertation is offered as an open public letter simply expressing my thoughts at a time when the decisions government make will have a profound and long term influence on Australia. This is my letter.....

**Dear Mr Abbott,** I am writing to you as an ordinary retired Australian having raised 4 children and welcomed 4 grandchildren to the fold and we are many. Now I understand the financial mess we have inherited from the previous disastrous lot but I think you need to listen to some common sense at least as I see it. First up this crazy notion that women need paid parental leave is a bit rich but to actually increase it and have business pay for it is wrong. Creating new life is a choice we all make and it's our responsibility to deal with that decision and to raise our family using our own resources not taxpayers.

I weep when I think of all the good folk who sleep on the streets at night or who are tormented by mental illness and deemed unfit to help. I think of the 500 children under 5 years of age in Brisbane who are homeless and the 2.5 million Australians who are living in austere poverty. How then Mr Abbott how can we justify giving the corrupt Indonesian government up to \$800 million dollars a year when Australia has to borrow that money to give to them. They must think we are fools and I believe each nation must look after its own affairs and its own people. On this base we need to stop fighting wars in third world countries where Muslim extremists act as violent primitive criminals. The people of those countries must find the courage and the strength to rise up and take charge and we must stop spending vast sums of money on futile wars we cannot win.

Mr Abbott I am very worried about climate change and the degradation of the environment and the loss of so many species and forests. I am worried about our air and our oceans and yet it seems you don't place a real priority on these things. I urge you to take a real interest to ensure we have a healthy environmental future. While we're on it please stop allowing our land to be sold to foreign interests because as you sanction that you are slowly taking away our right to feed our own people with our own produce in the future. You may not see it that way at the moment so until you figure it out why not only allow 50 year leases when it comes to foreign ownership.

Prime Minister, may I respectfully point out that some of the most stable and successful countries in the world are those with smaller populations. The idea of an ever increasing population is false economy and simply generates exponentially more pressure on the land, on housing, on peace and the right to a free and happy life. More people just means we need more of everything and that means more debt and more legislation and more trouble. Mr Abbott please never forget we may have multicultural roots but I think we all want a stable monoculture once people arrive here. We want to see common sense brought back and for we the people to be responsible for own lives and the decisions we make. I believe we all want to be rewarded for hard work and for innovation and see the end of the hand out entitlement age.

Many of us have done our bit for the country and watched with dismay as many wayward trade unions have embedded corruption and used stand over tactics against our businesses. You should reform the work place and bring back freedom to choose and the freedom for business to reasonably decide who works for them. Let's wind back political correctness too because it's strangling us as a free nation. We must not offend anyone for the fear of legal retribution or being called a bigot or a racist because we simply have a view. We have a right to an opinion and as Prime Minister you should hold that dear for all Australians. While we are on this topic can you please alter the Constitution to include a guarantee of freedom of speech as that would provide an inalienable right we don't have now. To a large degree our future is in your hands PM and you should listen to the people who have made this country great and not to the minority groups who shout their demands at us relentlessly. They are not the majority. In closing please remember Mr Abbott that we retirees have earned the right to a reasonable pension if we need it and we are growing in number. I could go on Prime Minister but surely you hear the rumblings of a divided nation and I urge you to take up the cudgel of common sense and freedom of speech as you hold the highest office in the land and you have considerable power to do what is right.

**Yours sincerely Prime Minister and until next time I write, this is Kent Bayley.**