

TO THE HONORABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED :-

The Humble Petition of citizens of the Commonwealth  
respectfully sheweth -

1. That paragraph (xxvi) of section 51 of the Constitution empowering the Parliament to make laws with respect to "the people of any race, other than the aboriginal race in any State, for whom it is deemed necessary to make special laws" implies a discrimination against the Aboriginal people and is, in any case, unjustifiable at the present day.
2. That specific provision should be made in the Constitution for the advancement of the Aboriginal people.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that your honorable House will act to enable the submission at a referendum of Constitution Alteration proposals to give the Commonwealth power to make laws for the advancement of the Aboriginal people and prevent the making of racial laws by the Commonwealth and any State which would discriminate against any person born or naturalised in Australia.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

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