**INQUIRY INTO MIGRANT INTAKE**

**Section 1 (a)**

**The Cost of the Migrant Intake.**I cannot understand how My government can go further into debt to finance another 12000.migrants plus the 13750 migrants that we take in on a yearly basis. This cost will be borne by Australian Taxpayer ( our children and grandchildren ) more over the period of time, plus the interest they will have to pay back especially when we are so far in debt already.

The treasurer, Scott Morrison, and the finance minister, Mathias Cormann, were at pains to say when releasing the Myefo in Perth that they had worked hard to keep the budget on track for a surplus through offsetting new expenditure with savings.

The 2015-16 midyear economic and fiscal outlook (Myefo) released on Tuesday was yet another chapter in the fairy story told by the Abbott and Turnbull governments that we don’t have a revenue problem. The reality is that lower than expected revenue is behind the increase in **cumulative deficits over the next four years from the $82.2bn expected in the May budget to the $108.3bn now forecast.** Whereas in the next four years cumulative government expenditure is predicted to be $13.3bn less than was expected in May, cumulative revenue is down 2.1% – or $37.6bn over the next four years.

**The cost of this to Australia should be taken into account.**

Treasurer Scott Morrison will this week reveal new budget cuts worth $5 billion over four years.

Every dollar in new spending announced since the May budget - which includes Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull's $1.1 billion innovation strategy and the $700 million cost of resettling 12,000 Syrian refugees – And as all Australians know, these figures will be grossly under estimated.

**The Migrants**

**Section 1 (b) item b**

**Given Australia's high terror alert, 'national security' and 'risk profiling of migrants' need to form part of this inquiry.**

I have in my possession a letter from a front bench politician who states:

*“With regards to our announcement to settle an additional 12,000 Syrian refugees in Australia, we have been very clear that this resettlement program will focus on those with the most need- the women, children and families of the persecuted minorities who have sought refuge from the conflict*,

*Immigration  officials have been instructed that if we can’nt verify someones identity, one hundred per cent, then we move to the next application. Under no circumstances we will compromise on the number one priority which is making sure that we keep our nation safe.*

 Government set to focus Syrian refugee program on Christians in wake of Paris attacks: Scott Morrison

By Middle East correspondent Sophie McNeill

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**In the wake of the attacks in Paris, Federal Cabinet Minister Scott Morrison says he expects Christians will be the focus of the Australian government's Syrian refugee program.**

When former prime minister Tony Abbott first announced Australia would take in 12,000 extra refugees fleeing the conflict in Syria, some members of his party called on him to give Christian refugees priority.

**But the Department of Immigration was quick to clarify this would not be the case.**

The head of the government's Syrian Refugee Resettlement Task Force, Peter Vardos, told the ABC that Christians would not be given priority to be resettled in Australia.

"There is no selection based purely on religion, as has been suggested in some quarters," Mr Vardos said recently while on a trip to a Syrian refugee camp in Jordan.

"It is a non-discriminatory program across the board. And I am confident that by the end of this process when you look at the make-up of the 12,000 people they will come from a range of ethnicities and religions."

However, Mr Morrison told Macquarie Radio yesterday: "We are focusing on those persecuted minorities and that obviously includes a very large Christian component. In fact the majority, I would expect."

A spokesperson for Immigration Minister Peter Dutton did not distance themselves from Mr Morrison's comments, telling the ABC the Treasurer's comments "are in line with the Government's focus".

The spokesperson went on to say: "The Government has announced its priorities and made it clear that we are going to focus on those who are most vulnerable, i.e. women, children and families with the least prospect of ever returning safely to their homes."

 **UNHCR perplexed by governments' demands for Christian refugees**

Mr Morrison's comments came after up to 25 states in America said they would refuse to take in Syrian refugees, but some governors said they might make exceptions for Christians.

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Officials with the UN refugee agency, the UNHCR, said they were perplexed by politicians around the world requesting Christian refugees from Syria.

Australian UNHCR country director Andrew Harper — who looks after 600,000 Syrian refugees in Jordan — said most of those fleeing to Jordan were not Christian.

"In regards to Jordan, 99 per cent of the refugees fleeing to Jordan are actually Sunni Muslim," Mr Harper said.

**Mr Harper said the UN would not be swayed by any pressure when it came to referring Syrian refugee cases to Australia or any other country.**

**"We do not take too much notice of what politicians anywhere in the world have to say," he said.**

**"Some are being very forthright in their positions, but what we will do is remain objective and focus on the criteria which we have which is vulnerability.**

**"And if other people want to bring subjective values which are to necessarily key criteria, we will ignore those."**

Mr Harper said when people were talking about focusing only on minorities, that was not necessarily a true reflection of the people probably most at risk.

"If people start pushing the minority card, or the religious card, we are going to be pushing that back and saying this is not the most important element for us," he said.

"Particularly as I was mentioning that 99 per cent of the people fleeing to Jordan are Sunni Muslim."

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**Who is running our country?**

**What Ideology do we bring into Australia along with the Sunni Muslims or any other Muslims.**

On the 18th of November it was reported in the press that George Brandis made the following statements:

Attorney General George Brandis has warned life has become harder for liberal democracies under attack from Islamic extremism.

Asked if Australia was at war, Senator Brandis told the Nine Network: "Absolutely. ISIL have declared war on us."

"We would be fools not to take them at their word and to take whatever steps are necessary to protect our civilisation," he said.

On the 6th December it was again reported in the press that you made the following statements.

Attorney General George Brandis says Islamic State's medieval ideology has become the 21st century's fascism.

He said it wants to impose a religious dictatorship with no concept of the freedom of the individual, no respect for women and no respect for other religions.

"Let's call a spade a spade, (it) has become the 21st century's fascism," he told the Network Ten on Sunday.

The **Turkish Prime Minister Erdogan has said : *“There is no moderate or immoderate Islam. Islam is Islam and that’s it”***

Again the **Turkish Prime Minister Erdogan**on August 24 2007 made the following***: The Term “Moderate Islam” Is Ugly And Offensive; There Is No Moderate Islam; Islam Is Islam.***

On the 12th June 2015 Sunshine Coast federal MP Mal Brough made the following statement that the people of the Sunshine Coast should learn more about Islam.

**All Australians should learn more about Islam including our Politicians.**

**We, The Australian Citizen will then learn that there are two totally different systems of Government**

**1.**      That Islam is a total immersion legal, political, economic, social, and military system of government wrapped in a thin skin of religion. Islam is ruled by its religious leader and beliefs.

**2.**      Our Australian government also has a legal, political, economic, social, and military system of government. But it is not wrapped in any religion. Separation of religion and state. We welcome all religions that promote peace and good will.

**Being Muslim is a different  way of life**

         Believing that Mohammed was the perfect man and that all Muslims should follow his perfect example on what he said and did.

         Believing that the Qur'an is Allah's holy word and that Allah's word cannot be changed.

         Believing it’s an holistic ideology including that of Shari'a law and  holy war  ( jihad ) are to be followed.

**The Islamic confession of faith. “There is no god but Allah, and Muhammad is his prophet” –**

**Section 2 (f)**   opportunities for Australian citizens to be altruistic towards foreigners including refugees.

The above section is very offensive to me as an Australian Citizen as I have employed and  worked with people of many different nationalities. My family and friends are also of many different nationalities. As Australian Citizens we have opened our arms and welcome these people to our shore, but today there are many among us that want to change our way of life,  our Constitution and disrespect those that fought and died for our freedom.

*This is the Australia that I want to leave behind for my children and grandchildren.*

         ***We have room for all but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the Australian people and our Constitution***

         ***We have room for but one flag, the Australian flag under which our brave soldiers died for. That we might be free.***

         ***We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language.***

**Yes, it is time, let’s call a spade a spade and Keep Australia Safe.**

**Colin Atkinson**