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As a practising Author I wish to express my very real concern at the government's current move to abolish territorial copyright for books in Australia.

Such copyright is vital and should be an unassailable protection for Australian authors and their intellectual property.

Without such protection we will be exposed and vulnerable to major threats to the income we receive from our writing.

Without the protection afforded by territorial copyright for our work our basic rights as authors will be severely compromised.

Territorial copyright flows from our rights as the holders of copyright in a book. The proposed abolition of territorial copyright is a blatant and unacceptable expropriation of our intellectual property.

I ask the Productivity Commission to reject such a move as morally and financially untenable.

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