

My name is Margaret Midwood, I am a writer and I fully support the Australian Society of Authors' statement relating to the Copyright Restrictions on the Parallel Importation of Books.

I feel the parallel importation of books while possibly allowing cheaper imports would reduce the incomes of Australian authors who earn royalties on their back lists, therefore I oppose the changes proposed by the government. I believe the Australian Society of Authors' statement on proposed changes would halt this.

We don't have many publishing houses and I feel the governments proposed changes while possibly supplying reasonably priced books would be detrimental to both the publishing houses and Australian authors.

Also there is no guarantee the lower prices will be passed on by the retailer.

Yours sincerely,
Margaret Midwood