



# **FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND SOCIETY FEDERAL POLICY**



## WHAT WE BELIEVE

We believe in a multicultural society, committed to Australian values of democracy, freedom and Western civilisation and values.

Australia is an important player in the international arena. As a first world country, we have moral obligation to assist less fortunate nations and peoples, particularly during natural disasters. However, this cannot be done at the expense of undermining domestic aid needs, border security and national sovereignty.

Australia is fundamentally reliant on agreements with powerful allies for the simple reason that Australia could not defend our borders adequately without these alliances. Our defence spending should be increased and closely aligned with the requirements to maintain those partnerships.

We believe foreign aid should not be set at some arbitrary percentage of GDP, but rather to what we can afford without compromising domestic aid programs and the living and health status of Australian citizens. Our aid should be targeted so as to enhance our best defence, economic and social goals in our region. We should not be shy in picking winners amongst our potential allies.



## OUR ACTION PLAN

1. Increase investment in defence and rebuild our domestic skill base in the defence industries.
2. Commit to working with the government of the day to plan and implement real solutions to mitigate the negative effects of our growing and highly concentrated population.
3. Immediate review of the impact of immigration on domestic infrastructure and housing.
4. Increased funding for homelessness and drug addiction research, strategy and innovative means for reducing homelessness in Australia.
5. Reject any international agreement, treaty or protocol unless such agreement is previously approved by the Federal Parliament. Governments are not to sign up to any treaty or United Nations undertakings without the prior approval of federal parliament.
6. Support increased funding for telecommunications services specifically aimed at regional and rural access.
7. Oppose any transfer of State or Territory legislation to the Commonwealth without approval, achieved by a national Referendum.