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## Australian Election 2013 Concerns 07th September 2013 Australian Federal Election Day

Once again many PHR Subjects who are also Australian Citizens, and are residing in Australia, have approached HRH Prince Leonard as Sovereign of the PHR asking that the Government of the PHR again raise matters relating to the still unchanged factors regarding aspects of legality in the fast approaching Australian Election. These dual citizens are tired of matters not being corrected and with yet another Australian Federal Election is about to be held – UNLAWFULLY!

The concern arises yet again in the same way as they were raised by the Principality Sovereign on behalf of his people prior to the 2010 Australian Federal Election and include the fact that Britain took British Citizenship off all the people of the British Empire except Britain (this included Australia), on 1<sup>st</sup> January 1949 and gave them all Citizenship of the Commonwealth of Nations:

 One important question that needs to be answered is "How many persons born in Australia who may be classified as "Aliens", given the above British Declaration of 1949 currently remain on the Australian Electoral Roll?"

Problems continue to remain without change regarding the matter of "Aliens", problems that HRH Prince Leonard raised back at the very beginning of 2007. Whilst he notes that the revised Australian Citizenship Act of 2007 accepts and recognises the loss of peoples Citizenship prior to Jan 01 1949 it does state that many Australians who have lost citizenship under the 1948 Act, plus their children, are "given access to Australian citizenship". Note the word Access is used – not Granted. This "Access" was in fact there in the first place, ..... it appears nothing has changed!

Following the British declaration of 1948, Australia in its Citizenship Act gave citizenship to all those born in Australia on 26<sup>th</sup> January 1949 onwards. In a subsequent amendment to the Citizenship Act, believed to be in 1975, Australia ceased recognizing "Citizenship of the Commonwealth of Nations".

Hence, it would appear that all who are on the Australian Electoral Roll, having been born before 26<sup>th</sup> January 1949, must be classified as "Aliens' since the abovementioned amendment, leaves them Stateless, unless they have applied for and received Australian Citizenship themselves.

Whilst this indicates that there are several million "Aliens" on the Australian Electoral Roll, action must be taken to ascertain the legality of any forthcoming Australian Election.

1. A second concern arises in association with this important matter said HRH Prince Leonard in that a person needs to have "Australian Citizenship" to be in the Australian Parliament or to stand for office in same. Given the problems and questions associated with the status of persons born prior to the British 1948 Declaration removing citizenship etc. concerns would have to be raised about many of those standing for election in this forthcoming Australian Federal Election and even in the legality of an election being called or a Government being legally in place given that:..

The Governor-General of Australia, Her Excellency Quentin Bryce was born in Queensland, Australia though prior to 1949 thus, unless she has sought and obtained Australian Citizenship is an Alien!.

This matter, as to the standing of HE Quentin Bryce, also needs to be looked into and answered!

It is very much desired by all concerned that these matters should be dealt with, and corrected where necessary, before an election is held.

Surely an election should not be held whilst there are aspects of legality or eligibility not replied to, or dealt with and corrected.

These matters have been raised by HRH Prince Leonard by letters of concern previously and sent addressed to those who are involved and responsible and once again he has written to the Governor-General with copies to Hon. Kevin Rudd, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia & Hon. Tony Abbott, Leader of the Opposition, Commonwealth of Australia in recent days.

To date no replies have been received thus the matter continues to grow in level of concern.

### **END RELEASE!**

#### Also see letter as sent:

http://www.principality-hutt-river.org/gov/Media\_Release/HE\_Quentin\_Bryce -Re\_September\_07\_2013\_Election.pdf

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