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Mr Laurie Ferguson MP,
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Dear Mr Ferguson,

I enclose copy of letter which I sent to The Hon Gary Hardgrave with regard to my situation with regard to Australian Citizenship, together with his reply.

I would appreciate it if you would consider my case and advise me of the likely Labor position on this when you are returned to power.

One way of correcting this anomaly on Citizenship would be to treat those of us who

- came to Australia as children in the late 1940s and 1950s, and
 - lived in Australia for, say, ten years or more and
 - left prior to 1974 firmly believing that they were Australian citizens
- in the same light as Australians who lost their citizenship without knowing it (page 3 Fact Sheet 90 "Australian Citizenship").

I have always been proud of Australia's belief in a fair go. All I ask now is that I, and the very few others in my situation be given that fair go.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Young