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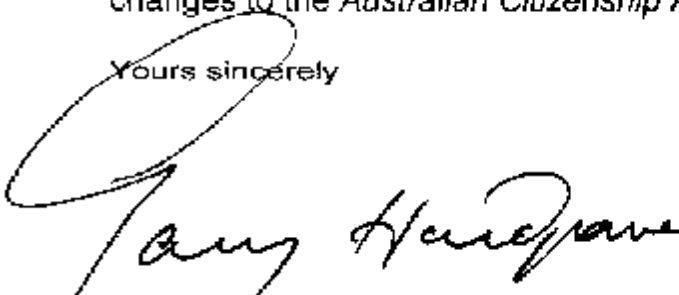
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Dear Mr Bonello

Thank you for your e-mail of 9 July 2004 concerning the reforms to the *Australian Citizenship Act 1948* which I announced in Sydney on 7 July 2004.

The absence of any reference to the children of people who had renounced their Australian citizenship was not a "technical oversight". The issue had not been considered. However, I have asked my Department to provide me with briefing so that the issue can be considered in the context of the proposed changes to the *Australian Citizenship Act 1948*.

Yours sincerely



Gary Hardgrave