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## **February 2023 Newsletter**

### **Welcome Members and Supporters:**

Thank you for your ongoing support and financial contributions enabling the CNI to present challenging and relevant forums with speakers of note on the seemingly endless stream of controversial social and political issues of today. There are endless controversial issues the Executive Committee has identified affecting the moral and cultural life of our nation. Responses to this multitude of issues are limited by available personnel and financial resources. We attempt to initiate discussions and resolutions through our lobbying and newsletters and are keen to receive contributions and commentary from all sources.

### **Forum:**

We are pleased to announce the next CNI Forum will be held on Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023, 2.30pm at the Royal Perth Yacht Club, Australia II Drive, Crawley 6009.

Presentation speaker is American Steven Mosher, author of recently published new Australian edition of his book on China : Bully of Asia: Why China's Dream is the New Threat to World Order. In this regard Australia is definitely on the frontline as our region confronts the China hegemon on our doorstep.

Mosher served as the Director of the Asian Studies Center at the California based Claremont Institute from 1986-95. In 1991 he was appointed to serve as Commissioner of the U.S. Commission on Broadcasting to the PRC (1991-2). He was educated at the University of Washington and Stanford University. Following a period of naval service with the U.S. Pacific Fleet (1973-76), in 1979 he became the first American social scientist permitted to do field research in China since the Communist revolution.

He is frequently invited to address the US intelligence community on national security matters and to testify before U.S. Congress. He recently testified before the U.S. House Committee on Foreign Affairs on Beijing's ongoing crackdown on dissent, before the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (The Helsinki Commission) on the security implications of declining birthrates among our European and Asian allies, and before the U.S. House Committee on the Judiciary on Sex Selection Abortions in China, India, and the United States.

This will be the third China forum held by the CNI, as described in our January 2023 newsletter, and a measure of the importance of Australia's relationship with the Chinese Communist Party government and our trade and political role in our region. More important is an awareness of the influence that Canberra elites and the lobbyists, both domestic and international, have on our foreign relations. If the Covid-19 response taught Australians anything, it is the lack of trust in our ruling elite, especially our elected representatives who, apart from a small number, were missing in action.

### **Petition EN4670 To Establish a Royal Commission into the Covid-19 Pandemic Response:**

Principal petitioner: Mrs Nancy Osmanagic.

<https://www.aph.gov.au/e-petitions/petition/EN4670/sign>

Reason: The significant impact on all Australians of the Covid-19 pandemic response, which has now been independently reviewed, demonstrating the need for full inquiries. We express our overwhelming concern for the following:

- (1) From 2020 until the present day, State and Federal Governments, as well as many private companies, have habitually breached inviolable, absolute non-derogatory human rights and Australia's international obligations thereto.
- (2) The lack of transparency in all Public Health decisions particularly the disproportionate and non-evidence-based lockdown directions and mandates.
- (3) The financial cost to the people and the nation.
- (4) Impact on children's education and mental health.
- (5) Provisionally approved treatments and injections with no long-term safety data.

- (6) The suppression and lack of proven early treatment options to save the vulnerable.
- (7) The number of Covid-19 vaccine adverse event reports and lack of evaluation of the potential correlation.
- (8) The "excess mortality" in 2022.
- (9) The interference with the doctor-patient relationship and the suspension of professionals medical people without reasonable or fair process.
- (10) The censorship by opinion, not fact, of all who shared information that differed from the government narrative.
- (11) The incitement by and actions of public servants that resulted in the immoral and degrading treatment of Australians.
- (12) The advertising and promotion of Covid-19 "vaccines" by government departments and politicians that do not align with the statutory regulations.

These twelve points focus the questions that should be asked of all State and Federal bureaucrats and politicians who wilfully led Australia down the path of economic and social upheaval as to where and from whom did they take "expert" directions.

Here in Western Australia, Premier Mark McGowan announced there would be a report by mid 2023 from a committee of three "highly experienced and independent" experts who would examine the "entire response by the WA government" to Covid. (Ref: The West Australian, Friday 20 Jan 2023) The three committee members are John Day, former Liberal MP and Health Minister, Margaret Seares, chair of Salaries and Allowances Tribunal, and Michael Schaper, former deputy chair Australian Competition & Consumer Commission. Reports of this nature into government actions seem always to take longer to be published (mid-year?) and may not capture all the nuances of the decision making process.

### **Aboriginal Voice Referendum:**

The Federal Labor Government is attempting to lead the Australian public down the path to a referendum for an Aboriginal Voice in Parliament by amendment to the Australian Constitution. Very little attention is given to the \$35 billion dollar annual expenditure on the current Aboriginal Industry, that is a lot of money being spent for no return to alleviate perceived disadvantage for only a minority of the population who are of aboriginal descent.

However a significant number out of 25 million Australians, born here in Australia, might realise the potential to participate in this bounty with an immediate acknowledgement of their claim to be of aboriginal descent. Evidently there is no need for details to be provided prior to the referendum, the Voice in Parliament will resolve such issues!

Included in this newsletter as an insert is an article by Nick Cater of the Menzies Research Centre detailing the history of past attempts to raise the living standards of aboriginal people. Seven attempts have all failed and it is highly unlikely version No.8 will succeed, however if ever implanted in the Constitution a nightmare of an activist judiciary intruding on Parliament can be predicted. Also included in the insert is an overview by Peta Credlin, 11 January 2023.

The majority of Australians have very limited knowledge of nomadic aboriginal culture nor an appreciation of the real lifestyle of aborigines prior to colonisation. School history lessons are distorted by activist educators minimising the reality of a harsh and dangerous nomadic life with a constant fear of starvation. Colonisation and Christian belief were liberating forces with aborigines breaking free from a thousand years of a fearsome spirit world control. At no stage is the relief from cannibalism and infanticide ever mentioned on their pathway to participating in the rewards the majority of those of aboriginal descent enjoy today.

Recommended reading for current political landscape is a book by Geoff McDonald, Red over Black, Behind The Aboriginal Land Rights, written in 1982, available from [www.veritasbooks.com.au](http://www.veritasbooks.com.au) also an extensive range of historical publications on Aboriginal history from [www.hesperianpress.com](http://www.hesperianpress.com) and newly published, The Burden of Culture, How to Dismantle the Aboriginal Industry and Give Hope to its Victims, by Gary Johns at [www.quadrant.org.au](http://www.quadrant.org.au)