No offshore processing—
No return to the Pacific Solution

PETITION

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives

We the undersigned express our opposition to the reopening of detention centres on Nauru and Manus Island. This represents a return to the worst of John Howard's refugee policies, the Pacific Solution. But under the new plan to give "no advantage" to refugees who arrive by boat they could rot on these offshore detention camps for five years or more.

We therefore demand that the government:

- Reject offshore processing on Nauru, Manus Island or Malaysia
- Commit to processing asylum applicants onshore and resettling refugees in Australia
- Substantially increase Australia's resettlement quota for UNHCR-recognised refugees in Indonesia and Malaysia, in addition to accepting boat arrivals
- Take measures to ensure that asylum boat journey are safe, such as ceasing the practice of destroying intercepted boats and escorting boats to the Australian mainland for processing
- End the policy of mandatory detention, with all the damaging effects it has for asylum seekers

Name	Address	Signed

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