



Australian Government

Australian Government response to the
Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters report:

*Interim report on all aspects of the conduct of the 2019 Federal
election and matters related thereto:*

Delegation to the International Grand Committee, Dublin, Ireland

MAY 2024

Introduction

On 15 May 2020, the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters tabled a report entitled *Interim report on all aspects of the conduct of the 2019 Federal Election and matters related thereto: Delegation to the International Grand Committee, Dublin, Ireland* (the Report).

The Government's response to the recommendations of the Report follows below.

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| # | Recommendation | Government Response |
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| 1 | The Committee recommends that the Australian Government continue to support members of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters to participate in the International Grand Committee. | <p><u>Noted</u></p> <p>The Government notes the recommendation. Given the passage of time, a substantive government response is no longer appropriate.</p> |
| 2 | The Committee recommends that the Australian Government examine the feasibility and practicalities of enacting regulation similar to the new provisions in the Canada Elections Act which adds registry requirements for political advertisements on online platforms. | Refer to recommendation 1. |
| 3 | The Committee recommends that the Australia Government should make representations at the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), the Pacific Island Forum; and the Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum to open a formal dialogue on the introduction of a data protection regulation model for the region. | Refer to recommendation 1. |

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| 4 | The Committee recommends that this delegation report be forwarded to the Select Committee on Foreign Interference through Social Media to consider as part of their inquiry. | Refer to recommendation 1. |