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From: Jim Allan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 27 February 2013 7:59 AM
To: Electoral Reform
Subject: last minute submission from Professor James Allan
SUBMISSION IN FAVOUR OF RETAINING COMPULSORY VOTING -- from the Garrick Professor of Law,
University of Queensland

Dear Sirs,

I am presently on a year's sabbatical in the United States. I learned very recently that you were taking submissions on, amongst other things, a proposal to move to voluntary voting. I am against that move for the reasons I laid out in one of my articles in QUADRANT. Given how last minute this submission is I simply include the link to that article of mine, which first appeared in the hard copy version of QUADRANT but then was re-released in the online version. The below link is that online verion.

I would be happy to answer any questions by return of e-mail or by phone [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]. Thank you for considering this very unusual and last minute submission.

Yours sincerely,

James Allan,
Garrick Professor of Law,
University of Queensland (on sabbatical for all of 2013)

Jim,
the URL is
<http://www.quadrant.org.au/magazine/issue/2012/5/in-praise-of-compulsory-voting>

I can send the copy as published if you wish.

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