

SUBMISSION ON POLICY ISSUES IDENTIFIED IN THE INTERIM REPORT

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Submission to The Royal Commission into Financial Services Conduct.

The most fundamental question Commissioner Hayne has posed in his executive summary is, " *What can be done to prevent the conduct happening again?*"

I call for Commissioner Hayne to recommend the implementation of the modern Glass/Steagall bank separation of our banking structure because it would re-establish public confidence in the banking system to reduce the risks of the financial system by limiting the ability of banks to engage in activities other than socially valuable core banking activities: to limit conflicts of interest that arise from banks engaging in activities from which their profits are earned at the expense of their customers and the national interest; to remove explicit and implicit government guarantees for high-risk activities outside of the core business of banking; to regulate Australian banks to provide oversight of the activities of the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) as the banking regulator; to separate retail commercial banking activities involving the holding of deposits, from wholesale and investment banking involving risky activities; and for other purposes.

The Banking System Reform (Separation of Banks) Bill 2018 now before the Australian parliament will prevent it from happening again and address the "conduct that you have noted in your question as priority for the future of Australia financial stability. And by "conduct" this term is extremely inadequate to describe the behavior of Australia's vertically integrated, speculation driven, crime-ridden banks and the systemic banking crisis it is causing for the population and economy generally, including the tragic consequences of the hundreds of thousands of victims from such conduct, with no justice for the victims or prosecution of the perpetrators insight. It must be recognized the ability of banks to get away with such misconduct, was the introduction of the deregulation reforms that followed from ill conceived Campbell Report in 1981. That has allowed the present concentration vertical integration of the big four (TBTF) banks with holding of 41 trillion dollars of derivative exposure. And, the reason this hasn't been address and allowed to continue unabated is because of the misconduct and failure of our regulatory authorities, especially APRA who has failed it's community duty, who, has now been granted the power to use "bail-in crisis resolution powers" too actually protect banks at the expense of the population.

Unfortunately, the lack of action to reign in the bank criminal conduct leaves Australia and the people unprotected facing an "Economic Armageddon" as the onrushing global financial crisis unfolds. The population is powerless to defend themselves from a banking crash and bail-in, and bank driven housing bubble/crash (1.7 trillion debt), unless the Banking System Reform (Separation of Banks) Bill 2018 is legislated by the Australian government immediately, only then would financial stability prevail for everyone and most importantly the public trust in the Australian banking system.

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Yours sincerely,

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