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**INQUIRY INTO WASTE AVOIDANCE AND RESOURCE
RECOVERY AMENDMENT (PLASTICS REDUCTION)
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As a citizen of Australia but also growing up in Europe I am deeply saddened by Australian slow response to this problem and treating citizens without respect providing easily available single use plastic cutlery, straws, bags, coffee cups instead of educating and reinforcing sustainable solutions. Plastic is extremely harmful to our environment the way it has been used by us. It is a danger to Australia's beautiful and life giving ocean, unique marine and land fauna. Phasing out single use plastics should be treated with urgency so that Australian government's response to this issue doesn't leave Australia behind other countries with the embarrassing slow response and treating this problem in a trivial way.