

# FECCA applauds commitment to non-discriminatory immigration

The Federation of Ethnic Communities' Councils of Australia (FECCA) today applauded Australia's reaffirmation of its long-standing bipartisan commitment to a non-discriminatory immigration policy.

The Chairperson of FECCA, Mary Patetsos, said: "We are pleased that the Senate has so emphatically rejected the deeply offensive and divisive statements made by a new Senator in the Parliament last night.

"Both sides of politics—and crossbenchers—today rejected the Queensland Senator's racist views, which called for a 'final solution' on immigration and a return to the White Australia policy of the 1950s.

"FECCA congratulates both the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition for their leadership today on the issue. And we thank all the crossbench Parliamentarians who supported them.

"Our long-standing bi-partisan policy of non-discrimination on immigration has been the key to delivering to Australia its successful multicultural society," Ms Patetsos said.

FECCA is the national peak body representing Australians from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds. Our role is to advocate and promote issues on behalf of our constituency to government, business and the broader community.

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