

Dear Australian government,

In a time when the world needs Australia to play its role in safeguarding our planet your government appears to let us down.

Please take a step back and with all objectivity weigh the intrinsic value of the part of our world of which you are the current custodians. And after that put on your "capitalist only" perspective and weigh the infinite rich returns in tourism, leisure and managed fisheries if you uphold protection. Compare them with the finite (sooner than you may think...) returns of destruction of these places through mining and overexploitation. The economic case for protection of these unique marine areas is also clear.

So please withdraw your disastrous plans and do what is best for Australia and the world.

Kind regards,

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Liberal from The Netherlands

Sent from my iPhone