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MEDIA STATEMENT

Senator Fraser Anning's speech

Anton Block, President

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Regardless of his intentions, Senator Anning's choice of words would have been deeply unsettling for Jewish Australians, especially Holocaust survivors. For them the words "final solution" in reference to an 'alien' group are a chilling reminder of how the process of dehumanisation begins. They know from personal experience where it can end. Senator Anning should have been aware of this history.

It has long been the ECAJ's position that prospective migrants to Australia should be assessed on their individual merits, and not according to their skin colour, ethnicity or religion.

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