

Dear compatriots,



With the approach of Australia Day which takes place on January 26<sup>th</sup>, we have to deal with this topical subject. First, we are two members of the association called "Unity First" fighting for the change of this date which is crucial for the homeland and Australian's identity.

The day of anniversary corresponds to the arrival of the first fleet of 11 convict ships, so when Britain colonised the island in 1788. In fact, on this day, the population want to celebrate the diversity of Australia and its history.

Nowadays, this day is known for its festivities and parades. The Australian of the year is also elected. So Australian people just want to enjoy the day for fun. However, some people refuse to celebrate Australia Day. We understand them because if we think about it, Australia Day, the 26<sup>th</sup> January corresponds to British invasion. That's why some people decided to call this day "The Invasion day". Moreover these people reproach the 1<sup>st</sup> colonists for killing Aboriginals and for taking their lands.

So, we just want everybody to be happy. That's why, we think that to make Australia a united country, we should change the date of Australia day. In fact, we can do as Freemantle

between people who agree and people who disagree for Australian day. Therefore, this year, we decided to organize with the association a dinner on January 30<sup>th</sup> with Australian specialities. It will enable to bring people together and celebrate our country and its history.

To us it's important to include all the inhabitants of Australia to show diversity of the country that is united. During this day, everyone's getting along so well and everybody is happy. Moreover the aim of this day is to not recall sad events associated to the invasion of British colonies, otherwise this day could even divide the nation. Furthermore, the progress of equality depends on the memory of all the communities that play a role in Australia's history by recalling their importance. We hope that everybody will understand and will agree.

