PETITION – JAMES HARDIE ASBESTOS VICTIMS

We the undersigned call upon the Howard Government to immediately formalise treaty arrangements between Australia and The Netherlands and Australia and the United States of America which will permit the recovery of all assets of the James Hardie company previously located in Australia, now located in The Netherlands.

These assets are required in order to ensure that the estimated 60,000 Australians who will die from asbestos related diseases caused by exposure to James Hardie asbestos in future decades will receive full compensation in relation to their diseases and ultimate death.

Further, we call all State Governments to reject and oppose the cynical call by James Hardie for the creation of a statutory scheme which will have the effect of minimising the extent of Hardie's liabilities and substantially diminishing the legal rights of asbestos victims.

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