



LITHUANIAN COMMUNITY IN MELBOURNE

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Melbourne, 26.12.89

The Hon. Robert James Lee Hawke
Prime Minister of Australia
House of Representatives
CANBERRA, A.C.T. 2000

Dear Prime Minister,

On behalf of the Lithuanian Community in Melbourne and also in response to an urgent call from the Lithuanian Popular Movement Sajudis I ask you to intercede before the Soviet Government asking M. Gorbachev to abstain from any sanctions against the Soviet Republic of Lithuania for its decision to introduce the multi-party system and for declaring the Lithuanian Communist party independent from its equivalent in the Soviet Union.

Both above named measures taken by the Lithuanian Parliament and by the Communist party of Lithuania do not harm the Soviet Union in any way. It is only a natural democratization process.

The fear of sanctions is based on the veiled warning to Lithuanian representatives made by M. Gorbachev himself.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. John Kunca
President of Lithuanian
Community in Melbourne

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