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I am writing to you in support of THE request to the Australian authorities to permit the operation of the WinLink2000 system in Australia.

The system not only provides a service for sending and receiving personal, i.e. non-business, EMail traffic to the global sailing community but also significantly enhances safety by providing on-request, area-specific weather forecasts in text and fax format and furthermore alerts to dangers of any nature.

In an internet-world, the ham radio community should not be forced to stay behind in an era that has passed!

We very much look forward to visiting Australia in Queen of Hearts in 2004 and do hope that we'll find WinLink up and running there!

We wish you all every success in showing to the authorities of that great country that they could not do better than support WinLink!!!

Best regards,

John & Rija van Logchem

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