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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

My name is Chris Kaleta ex RAN having served 32 years.

I need to know that Overseas Veterans are being looked after in the submission for changes to DVA.

I currently reside in the Philippines and have for the past 21 years. Currently I receive the following pensions and allowances from DVA:

1. TPI Pension
2. Education Allowances under VCES

My main concern is the education allowance proposal for under 16 year olds & then move to Youth Allowance.

Understand that as I cannot take my children out of the Philippines, as my ex wife will not allow them, I receive these allowances under special provisions for my 2 birth children and my dependent child. As I understand it Youth Allowance is only available to Australian Residents. If this is the case this would obviously bring my children's education to a somewhat dead-end.

In that context I want to ensure existing allowance provisions are protected and that Overseas Veterans will be afforded some recognition in this proposal being tabled.

I wish to thank you for this opportunity to participate in this process

Yours Sincerely

C.R. KALETA

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