

Senator Andrew Murray

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Murray and Beazley unite in bid for child migrant inquiry

The Australian Democrats and Labor Party have agreed to seek a full Parliamentary inquiry into issues raised by child migrants to Australia.

Australian Democrats Senator for Western Australia, Senator Andrew Murray, today gained support for his bid for a full Parliamentary inquiry from Opposition Leader, Kim Beazley, during a child migrants protest at Parliament House.

“I commend Mr Beazley for standing with the Australian Democrats on this issue,” Senator Murray said.

“It is right and just that grievances and issues raised by child migrants to Australia are heard,” he said. “There is much that needs to be resolved.”

“It is a chapter of Australian history that must be revisited. It is crucial that all Australians be given an opportunity to know what has transpired in our history – the good and the bad.

“A full Parliamentary inquiry is necessary and the Australian Democrats will seek prompt action from the Government.”

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NOTE: Senator Murray is a former child migrant to Southern Rhodesia.

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