WE WISH TO BE FRIENDS WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. We welcome American and other guests with peaceful intentions to Australia, but say to the American Government: "KEEP YOUR ATOMIC SUBMARINES, YOUR ATOM BOMBS AND U-2 PLANES AT HOME!"

We live amidst Asian people; we need to build good relationships with them; not threaten them with war; we need trade and friendly exchanges with them to sell our wheat, wool and other produce and help to ease our growing unemployment.

Australia needs a Government that will work for these ends—

- FOR A PACT OF PEACE AND NON-AGGRESSION BETWEEN ALL NATIONS BORDERING THE PACIFIC;
- For keeping our region free from all atomic tests, atomic weapons and BASES;
- Releasing millions from the inflated arms budget to provide hospitals, schools, roads, homes and jobs for the people.

TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE THIS!

NO U-2s, NO FOREIGN BASES, NO POLARIS MISSILES HERE! KEEP AUSTRALIA FREE, INDEPENDENT, AND AT PEACE WITH ALL OUR NEIGHBOURS.

Support the cavalcade of cars being organised by the Committee Against Foreign Military Bases, to leave Melbourne on Saturday morning 27th May, and proceed along the Princes Highway, through Gippsland towns, to Sale.

WILL YOU JOIN IN?

ASSEMBLE TREASURY GARDENS, 6 a.m.

or

DANDENONG TOWN HALL, 6.45 a.m.

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Fellow Australians!

We ask you to think over a question very important for the future security of our country...

Is it good to have American U-2 planes stationed at Sale?
Is it good to have American war bases growing up in many parts of our country?
You will have read how in Britain, in Japan, and other countries, people in their thousands have been demonstrating against such bases.

We must do the same.

WHY? Because with foreign war bases on our soil:
1. Our country will lose its real independence;
2. We will become a target should war break out;
3. We are offending over 1000 million Asian NEIGHBOURS with whom it is vital to live in peace and friendship. They will see these bases as a menace to their security.

THE U-2s—WHAT ARE THEY FOR?

We are told the U-2s are here to make weather surveys but WE CANNOT FORGET the U-2 which carried out spying activities over the U.S.S.R. from Middle Eastern bases.

It was this that wrecked the “Summit Talks” due to be held by the world’s leaders one year ago.

When it was shot down, the U.S. announced that “a weather research plane was missing.”

Powers, the pilot, was found to have had “cameras containing film of defence establishments of the U.S.S.R., 7,500 rubles, gold watches, seven rings, a noiseless pistol, a poison type needle to kill himself, tape recordings of Soviet radar signals.”

He told the Soviet court: “I switched the apparatus on and off when the chart indicated.”

Lawyer: “You could have pulled the switch and dropped an ATOM BOMB?”

Powers: “IT COULD HAVE BEEN DONE.”

We cannot forget the U-2s over Japan. A Japanese Member of Parliament, Mr. Aswade, proved that these U-2 “weather planes” had been mapping China, Siberia and North Korea. After big demonstrations by the Japanese people last year ALL U-2s WERE WITHDRAWN FROM JAPAN.

WE CANNOT FORGET U-2 PLANES IN ARGENTINA!

After U-2 planes arrived in Argentina in 1958 for “weather research” there followed a series of NUCLEAR TESTS in the South Atlantic, close to the Argentine. It was later proved the U-2 weather planes were measuring the radioactivity of the air.

ARE U-2 PLANES HERE TO SAMPLE THE AIR IN PREPARATION FOR NEW NUCLEAR TESTS AT THE WOOMERA ROCKET RANGE?

CAN WE BE ABSOLUTELY SURE THAT THEY ARE NOT SPIYING ON OUR ASIAN NEIGHBOURS?

WHO CONTROLS THE U-2 PLANES?

“The U-2... was especially designed by the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation for the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency. It is no secret now that the aircraft made many penetrations of Soviet territory... target folders of the U.S. Strategic Air Command bulge with information and photographs collected by the celebrated U-2.”—“Age,” 25/10/60.

OTHER BASES IN AUSTRALIA

“A monster radio station in N.W. Australia “BIGGER THAN PEARL HARBOR TO BE BUILT BY THE U.S.A.”... “If this plan proceeds Australia will become a vital part in America’s defence system.”... “to help U.S.A. to keep in touch with its atom-powered, missile-armed submarines in the Pacific.”—“Age,” 27/1/61.

“U.S.A. may get submarine base in Exmouth Gulf... could become an anchorage for U.S. submarines.”—“Age,” 24/2/61.

“...There is an alleged U.S.A. weather base, believed to be a war base, near Alice Springs (see “Herald,” 21/12/60), and from the beginning, Americans have been in close touch with our Rocket Range tests.”