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Let's stop meddling in other countries' affairs, we will still be American allies without having to go and fight all their phoney wars.

Let's keep the U.N. at arm's length -- most Australians would much rather abide by laws made in Australia by Australian MPs, for Australia!

Let's not make enemies, not try punching above our weight, in case someone punches us back one day...

Let's keep the trade doors open with Asia, but not at the expense of our manufacturers, farmers, etc. -- tariffs on selected goods aren't realistically going to stop Asia buying from us.

Let's keep our media neutral in the way they report about affairs in other parts of the world, otherwise we can't expect others to listen when we raise objections to one-sided reporting in their countries.

Let's remember we're not powerful enough to TELL the rest of the world what to do, however, we can lead by example and SHOW the rest of the world how successful a nation can be, and how peaceful it's region can be, when it deals reasonably and fairly with it's neighbours, but generally just goes about humbly minding it's own business.

Let's not get caught up in any of the international intrigue that we've seen going on over the past few decades. It generally doesn't further our own short-term interests anyway, and it definitely taints our long-term image in the region.

Let's just be good old Australia.

Sincerely,

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