From: Vesna Pismanovska [mailto: Sent: Monday, 22 November 2010 3:17 PM To: Kathleen Almond Subject:

Dear Kathleen,

I'm writing to support Nurses who have recently graduated but are required to sit an English test (IELTS) **AFTER** their graduation.

I can not see any logic why these nurses cannot be registered with the Nursing Board without passing the test?

If they have finished a Nursing course in Australia, which logically is in English only, why they need to sit for a language test after graduation?

Is this something that may apply to all professionals, Australian Citizens, doing/finishing further studies in Australia, but having their previous education overseas??? Isn't this something that needs to be raised before enrolling to a course, if required?

I strongly support the Nurses in their fight against this illogical rule, hopping that the Board might revoke the decision for those whom have already completed their Nursing studies in Australia.

Regards, Vesna Pismanovska Traffic Engineer