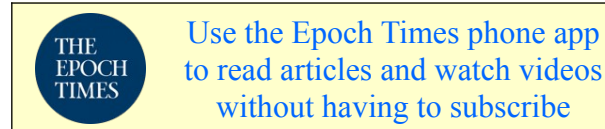




MONTHLY UPDATES



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- ★ **“While Australia Sleeps, Our Situation Becomes Dire”**
“Australia looks weak when our security is as challenging as it has been for decades.”
* [link](#)
ASPI REPORT: www.aspi.org.au/report/cost-defence-aspi-defence-budget-brief-2024-2025
- **“Ex-Attorney General Warns Against Public Indifference Towards Global Conflict”**
“Former federal Attorney-General George Brandis has warned there is too little debate about the possibility of conflict in the Indo-Pacific, as well as a dearth of “awareness and consciousness” about Australia’s global responsibilities... Mr. Brandis is now a professor at the Australian National University’s (ANU) National Security College in Canberra, and was a former senator, attorney-general, and high commissioner to the UK.”
* [link](#)
- **“Report Backs Future Ban on Live Sheep Exports”**
“The “time has come” to bring live sheep exports to an end, says the chair of a committee that stamped its approval on legislation to ban the trade. A report examining the government proposal to end the practice by 2028 calls on parliament to pass the laws, despite concern among farmers and the opposition. The agriculture committee also urged for the federal government to work closely with the Western Australia (WA) government on a transition support package for those affected. The government has already announced a \$107 million (US\$71 million) package to help the transition.”
* [link](#)
MEDIA RELEASE:
www.aph.gov.au/About_Parliament/House_of_Representatives/About_the_House_News/Media_Releases/Ending_Live_Sheep_Export_Bill_-_Report_Released
- **“Think Tank Warns of Increase in Young Australians Involved in Far-Right Extremism”**
“A growing number of young Australians are getting involved in “right-wing extremism”, raising concerns about its impact on the community, a Senate committee has been told. Speaking at a Senate hearing on June 17, representatives from the Centre for Resilient and Inclusive Societies (CRIS) and the Addressing Violent Extremism and Radicalisation to Terrorism (AVERT) Network presented their findings on far-right extremist movements in Australia in recent years. According to the definition by the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, right-wing extremism refers to “the support for violence to achieve political outcomes relating to ideologies, including but not limited to, white supremacism and neo-Nazism.” The CRIS and AVERT Network representatives said these movements were on the rise in Australia and that they have managed to attract new population groups.”
* [link](#)
WEBSITE: www.crisconsortium.org
WEBSITE: www.avert.net.au
- **“Why education needs saving | Professor Bradley Thompson”**
“Professor C. Bradley Thompson discusses with John Roskam what is wrong with the American higher education sector, how universities lost moral purpose and the growing popularity of classical liberal education. Professor Thompson gives advice to young people on what to read to become a better

person. Professor Thompson is the Executive Director of the Clemson Institute for the Study of Capitalism, and is the United States' leading scholar on revolutionary America and the thought and ideas of the American republic."

* [link](#)

- **“Australian Leaders Plan to Block Under-16s from Major Social Media Platforms”**

“Both Labor and the Liberal-National Party Coalition have backed plans to ban children under 16 from social media in the future. Opposition Leader Peter Dutton recently unveiled his plan to block teenage children from accessing platforms like Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, and X. Penalties will apply to companies that “do not comply”, with further details will be provided in due course.”

* [link](#)

COMMENT: www.peterdutton.com.au/leader-of-the-opposition-transcript-interview-with-natalie-barr-sunrise-5

- **“‘Multibillion-dollar failure’: Aussie doctors rip into COVID response”**

“A top doctor has ripped into Australia’s handling of the COVID pandemic, accusing the government of spreading “misinformation” and putting people at risk. Dr Kerryn Phelps accused the government of fuelling mistrust of health authorities while overselling the “safety and efficacy” of vaccines, and ignoring those suffering serious adverse events from the jabs. Dr Phelps, who first went public in late 2022 about the “devastating” vaccine injury both she and her wife had suffered after a Pfizer jab, said while there was “a lot that our public health agencies got right during this pandemic”, significant mistakes were made. The former MP for Wentworth and Deputy Lord Mayor of Sydney, and past president of the Australian Medical Association (AMA), is one of dozens of doctors and medical professionals who made public submissions to the federal government’s COVID-19 Response Inquiry.”

* [link](#)

SUBMISSIONS: www.pmc.gov.au/covid-19-response-inquiry/consultation/submissions?page=0

- **“ACT Legalises Euthanasia, to Come Into Effect in 2025”**

“The Australian Capital Territory (ACT) announced its state legislative assembly passed the Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD) Act of 2023 into law, effective in November 2025. The new law will set out a government framework to provide eligible Canberrans the right to make end-of-life choices. The features of the law include strict eligibility, safeguards that ensure well-informed consent and protection of vulnerable individuals, and high-quality palliative care for all Canberrans.”

* [link](#)

LEGISLATION: www.justice.act.gov.au/justice-programs-and-initiatives/voluntary-assisted-dying-laws-in-the-act

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