

In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful



THE ISLAMIC COUNCIL OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## **PRESS RELEASE**

Attention: News editors. Social affair, Ethnic media, interfaith media, and community writers

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### **Islamic council of WA condemns Senator Pauline Hanson's anti- Islam speech**

Islamic Council of Western Australia condemns Senator Pauline Hanson's paranoid and islamophobic speech made at federal parliament this week.

Twenty years ago she made similar racist and provocative speech against Asian Australians and indigenous Australians under the protection of parliamentary privilege. It seems she not changed her racist and extremist mindset even after serving a prison term.

Islam is a universal faith and transcends race and culture and therefore Islam can never ever be marginalised by cheap bigotry of an extremist politician.

Australian Muslims and all fair minded non Muslim Australians stand united against Pauline Hanson and her hatred.

Pauline Hanson and her supporters have nothing to offer to the Australian nation and it is a shame that such bigoted individual was elected to the office of Senator by an ignorant electorate.

ICWA commends the Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull and Senator Malarndirri McCarthy for rejecting Pauline Hanson's extremist comments.

The Prime Minister and fair minded Senators have shown leadership and a positive direction for the Australian nation in rejecting Hanson's divisive Islamophobic rhetoric.

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