# AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL FOR THE DEFENCE OF GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

#### **PRESS RELEASE 470**

#### **AUSTRALIA REPEATS AMERICA'S MISTAKES**

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The National Education Association of America recently produced a paid Advertisement which made the following points:

- Educators are confronted with students struggling without adequate resources
- > Corporations are paying significantly fewer taxes than working American families
- ➤ Since 1973, working families have been treading water, as large corporations and the CEO's gain income at an unprecedented pace
- ➤ The American Dream is based on opportunity for all. Investing in our students will grow America's middle class. Students deserve every opportunity that a fully funded public education can give them.

The National Education Association encourages the American Middle Classes to demand a fair taxing of the Corporations.

The supporter of public education who sent this material to the DOGS made this comment:

Funny how all the crap & injustice that characterises contemporary U\$ society is ALSO happening here in our 'rich country' & 'Christian democracy'!

The following is the text of the National Education of America's Advertisement:

Dear Friend,

Our country's students are struggling to learn without the resources they need -- safe school buildings, and effective class sizes. Educators are working every day to lessen the burden, but the load is getting too heavy..

But what if there was a way to help recover some of what has been lost? As it turns out corporations that would normally have to pay millions of dollars in taxes, but because of loopholes, they pay significantly fewer taxes than working American families. The cost of these loopholes is falling on the students of working families and the 99%.

Sometimes life is stranger than fiction. Tune in here and see the detrimental effects of corporate tax loopholes then tell our elected officials that you will not stand by and watch America's students pay the price while corporations don't pay their fair share. Sign the petition now!

We wish this was only a movie, but it isn't. Since 1973, working families have been treading water, as large corporations and the CEO's gain income at an unprecedented pace. Wealthy politicians like Mitt Romney have spent their careers passing legislation to cut their own taxes and that of corporations at the expense of public services like education that benefit all Americans.

Watch the movie, then after you've watched speak up for the middle class and sign the petition to tell Congress that the corporations need to pay their fair share.

The American Dream is based on opportunity for all. Investing in our students will grow America's middle class. Students deserve every opportunity that a fully funded public education can give them.

How will it end? It's time to speak up for the middle class and the students that are the future of it. Will you stand up?

Sincerely,

Karen M. White

Political Director, National Education Association

P.S. After you've watched the movie, don't forget to sign the petition. The students need your voice, they need you to speak up for them and stop the menacing corporate tax loopholes.

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