## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF VICTORIA AT MELBOURNE **COMMON LAW DIVISION MAJOR TORTS LIST**

SCI 2014 06770

**BETWEEN** 

#### MAJID KARAMI KAMASAEE

Plaintiff

and -

# THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA and others

(in accordance with the Schedule to the Writ)

Defendants

### REPLY TO THE DEFENCE OF THE FIRST DEFENDANT TO THE THIRD AMENDED STATEMENT OF CLAIM

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In reply to the Defence of the First Defendant to the Third Amended Statement of Claim dated 19 September 2016 (Commonwealth Defence), the Plaintiff says:

- 1. Save as to the admissions contained in the Commonwealth Defence and where otherwise pleaded in this Reply, the Plaintiff joins issue with each and every allegation in the Commonwealth Defence.
- 2. As to paragraphs 185A(c) and (d):
  - a. He denies the allegations contained in those paragraphs;
  - b. He says further that confinement of the Plaintiff and False Imprisonment Group Members at the Centre was unlawful pursuant to the laws of PNG.

### **Particulars**

- i. Any deprivation of liberty outside that which is authorised by s42(1) of the PNG Constitution is unconstitutional and illegal.
- ii. There is no exemption under s 42(1) of the PNG Constitution that applies to the Centre.
- iii. Section 42(1)(g) of the PNG Constitution does not apply to restraint at the Centre because the Plaintiff and False Imprisonment Group Members entered PNG and remained

pursuant to an exemption granted to them under s20 of the PNG Migration Act.

iv. The Plaintiff relies on the decision of *Namah v Pato* [2016] SC1497.

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