



Refugee Action Collective QLD

HUNDREDS TO PROTEST AGAINST PETER DUTTON AND MANUS ISLAND DETENTION CENTRE

MEDIA STATEMENT: FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Refugee Action Collective will protest against Peter Dutton and the Manus Island offshore detention centre on **Friday 11 August, 5pm, at King George Square, Brisbane.**

We will be joined by the **Greens, Mums 4 Refugees**, and other members of the community. Hundreds are expected to demonstrate for the two thousand men, women, and children currently in offshore detention to be brought to Australia; for the complete shutdown of the offshore detention centres on Nauru and Manus Island; and for the resignation of Peter Dutton.

Quotes attributable to **Tim Arnot**, chair of the protest:

“These offshore camps have seen detainees attacked with guns, machetes, and in the last week Hamed Shamshiripour was found dead. The fact that more people have been killed in these offshore detention centres rather than resettled in Australia is an indictment of the whole detention regime.”

“The current policies of terror against these innocent men locked up for over 4 years, coupled with the revelations that the US deal is nothing but a sham, shows that these people must be brought to Australia immediately for processing and resettlement.”

“We hold Immigration Minister Peter Dutton and Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull personally responsible for the atrocities that have taken place there. Blood is on the government’s hands.”

RALLY DETAILS:

King George Square, Friday 11 August, 5pm. [Facebook event](#)

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