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Sir,

I wish to submit the following,
in relation to the future of Opal mining
at Mintabie.

My views are my own.

First of I seek clarification that this
is not Megab's Zimbabwe, but the
Australia that my Grandfather, Father
Brother, and myself, vowed to keep
free.

My Brother, Keith, was actually
awarded the "Victoria Cross" for bravery
in the Vietnam conflict.

To treat Australian citizens in
the manner the Government is
proposing is, in my view, very
"unaustralian"

To propose that we could live
"off field" and still work the Opal
field is nothing short of madness.

There is not one residence, Post Office Shop or Hotel that has not been broken into and sacked at least 3 times. "Refer to Njeda Police Station"

Machinery, left unattended at Mintabie, would be stripped, smashed and destroyed within a week.

These "criminals" appear to detest glass. All glass windows, lights & windcreens are instantly smashed.

How in hell, do you truthfully expect us to move Home and heavy Machinery and equipment out of

Mintabie, and still accept this as being seen to do "the right thing"

Who will cover the cost?

To propose living at Njeda is, "as I have inquired" impossible as not more land is available for accomadation.

To study a map of SFLUST. and see the insignificant size, 20K Square, of Mintabie (Pal-feld) compared to the A.P.V. land mass, and consider us a trouble spot is ludicrous. We can not form a vigilate committee and control crime.

It is my opinion, that there is
a hidden agenda to moving us on,
and as such, we have no alternative
but to do so — But we'll do every
thing within ~~our~~ our powers to let
everybody know the shabby way
we are treated.

Remember

Alan Payne