

The Secretary
HMAS SYDNEY II Commission of Inquiry
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Dear Secretary,

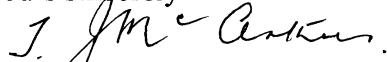
I realize that the Senate Inquiry of the 90s and its subsequent Report appeared to say everything that needed to be said about the loss of HMAS Sydney. However, I would argue to the contrary.

My research has shown that several serious issues about the Sydney- Kormoran action have been either overlooked or misinterpreted. In particular:

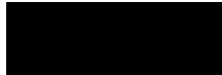
- The role of the raider's underwater torpedo strike has never been analysed in terms of what the German captain had to say in the German edition of his book.*
- The so-called messages from the sea*
- The sightings of unidentified aircraft from 1-7 November 1941*

There are other items which deserve considered attention, not the least being the fact that the official story written by G H Gill about the loss of 'Sydney' can be completely demolished. I have written a PhD on the subject passed by three examiners. I would like to put my name forward to Mr Cole as someone who has something to say about the circumstances of the loss of Sydney.

Yours sincerely



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I am sorry that the above is a mixture of fonts as my computer seems to have a mind of its own and I cannot make the changes that I want to.