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In the 1980s it seemed that an overt racism had somewhat subsided but then such personal optimism was cut short for it was as if out of the blue came the divisive rhetoric of Pauline Hanson who despite nominally being a minor player in Australian parliament has still appallingly had an outweighed influence on the Australian political class (although never publicly admitted) and which a racist effect has been compounded in the aftermath of the Tampa incident and the terror attacks of September 11, 2001 on U.S. soil of which the Muslim community has ever since had to mostly bear the brunt of a renewed xenophobia which has also been a curse on those refugees who have had attempted to seek sanctuary in Australia by attempting to come here by sea.

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