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As we all know Greece is now in financial turmoil and without the help of the Germans and several other European nations' things could have become worse. With all this talk its becoming harder to feel empathetic. As a young Australian Greek Cypriot, I believe people are often deceived into thinking we owe something to Greece. So when asked about the situation in Greece my usual response is 'Who Cares?'



Although I do acknowledge my ancestry as a Greek, when told I should visit Greece to support the economy, I feel this is ludicrous! How will my presence in a country which I have no physical attachment help? Surely the local communities and businesses would all benefit from tourists holidaying in their country. But why should we as Australians help a government who have been reckless on their spending and tardy on their payments.

One positive to come from all this is at least the Aussie dollar will become more favourable against the Euro just in time for my return to Cyprus (turns out I was going there anyway!). Many other Europeans are all delighted at this because it now means more spending money.

It has become hard to hear people say that we must all take responsibility for what has happened and we should lend a hand in helping. Frankly it is not our



problem and it is the responsibility of the EU and the Greek government to get things sorted. The only donation I will be making to Greece is while I'm enjoying a pita at the airport.

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The HERMES is open to any and every young Greek Australian who believes he has something to share!

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24 May HYAT Movie Night	25 May	26 May MHSS Indoor Soccer	27 May	28 May UQ Classics Dinner	29 May	30 May
31 May NUGAS VIC AGM	1 Jun	2 Jun HYAT Origin Night	3 Jun	4 Jun SUGS Greek Play	5 Jun SUGS Greek Play	6 Jun SUGS Greek Play
7 Jun	8 Jun	9 Jun	10 Jun	11 Jun	12 Jun	13 Jun
14 Jun	15 Jun	16 Jun	17 Jun	18 Jun	19 Jun NATIONAL NUGAS MEETING— Canberra	20 Jun

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