



CANBERRA, Australia

Tibet Lobby Day 2025: Let the Dalai Lama choose his own reincarnation, not China

Australian politicians urged to affirm Tibetan rights from Chinese interference

When: Monday September 1

8am-8.10 Pictures outside on Parliament House lawns

8.30AM Media event/ interviews: Mural Hall, Parliament House, Canberra

Pictures:

Delegates in traditional colourful Tibetan cultural dress, Tibetan monks in robes, Tibetan children's choir singing Prayer for Dalai Lama, 2 x Tibetan-Australian Newcastle Jets academy soccer players doing soccer tricks

The Australia Tibet Council's (ATC) annual **Tibet Lobby Day will be held Monday September 1-2, 2025**, bringing Tibetan-Australian voices directly to Federal Parliament.

This year's focus is the **critical issue of the Dalai Lama's succession** and celebrating his 90th birthday, with **2025** being observed as **the Year of Compassion globally**.

The ATC urges the Australian Government to adopt a clear policy: **only recognize a Dalai Lama chosen through Tibetan Buddhist practices and traditions, without Chinese Communist Party (CCP) interference**.

In their meetings with federal parliamentarians on Monday delegates will **highlight urgent concerns for Tibet's future and global human rights**.

Delegates will also press for an end to China's repressive policies and **transnational repression against Tibetans**, including those living in Australia. The CCP continues to monitor, intimidate, and weaponize relatives in Tibet against exiled Tibetans in Australia, denying them true freedom.

Nobel Peace Prize laureate His Holiness affirmed on July 2, 2025 that only his personal trust, the Gaden Phodrang Trust, will confirm **his future reincarnation**. Yet the atheist Chinese government's 'State Religious Affairs Bureau Order No. 5' attempts to control this sacred Buddhist spiritual tradition, a profound **violation of Tibetan religious freedom**.

In a free democracy like Australia, citizens have the power to speak for the oppressed. Tibet Lobby Day empowers Tibetan-Australians to advocate for justice for Tibet.

The ATC calls for Australia to speak out clearly and consistently against human rights abuses in Tibet, and urges the Chinese government to recognise the fundamental human rights of Tibetan people and engage in genuine dialogue, without precondition, with His Holiness the Dalai Lama to achieve long-term peace and freedom in Tibet.