

Newspaper clippings, 1948

As early as 1948 a push to extend the net of the program was coming from Queensland sugar growers who asked that 2,500 Italian cane cutters should be imported 'if British or other European workers of high physical standard were unavailable'.

Sydney Morning Herald, 15 January 1948

'...migrants would not be used to worsen prevailing working conditions, nor would they be used in any industrial trouble in the industries in which they were employed.'

Sydney Morning Herald, 7 April 1948

'...we do not oppose the entry into the industry of workers on any ground of nationality, race or colour. But we are in opposition to any plans for mass assisted migration of national groups, or workers known to have an outlook and training foreign to the ideals of the Australian working class movement.'

Sydney Morning Herald, 29 October 1948.