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Where's our humanity?

IT SEEMS to me that the government is operating under incredible double standards when it agrees (commendably in my opinion) to help in the current humanitarian crisis in Europe by offering safe haven in Australia for Syrian refugees fleeing from the conflict in their land.

At the same time, the government continues to justify keeping in indefinite detention on Manus and on Nauru, in truly horrendous conditions, refugees from that same conflict who have committed no crime except also trying to reach safety.

We surely need to close these dreadful centres and find a more humane way to deal with people fleeing conflict and terror.