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Dear Commisioner,

In regards to Ebay australia's application for the use of Papal being the only effective method of payment on the Ebay.com.au website.

I am of the opinion that Ebay Australia is being used as a test case by Ebay corporate in the US. If they are succesful in passing this policy of all payments in Australia being via paypal or cash on pickup only, they will not hesitate in using this as a precedent in pushing the same requirements through to other countries and their respective ebay sites that have similar legal systems and consumer "**PROTECTION**" laws as our own. This is reinforced by press releases that qoute the CEO of Ebay INC stating that if this "test" in Australia is succesful it will be rolled out site wide "in months, not years".

Ebays action in attempting to do this in Australia is clearly an attempt to maximise their profits at the detriment of any choice by any consumers/users of their product and any legimate competitors that can provide the same type of service to ebays customers (the sellers that pay to use the site). All Australians are entitled to a choice in who they do business with and how they pay for goods and services purchased from a provider of those goods and services. Ebays attempt to force Australians to only use paypal on the Ebay.com.au site clearly restricts these rights.

Sincerely

Trevor Lang