The Immigration Reform Group formed at the University of Melbourne in 1960 to investigate the intellectual basis of the White Australia Policy, publishing the landmark pamphlet *Control or Colour Bar* (1960) which sparked a national campaign against restrictions on immigration based on race.

This session brings together former student activists and members of the Immigration Reform Group who will recall the activities of that Group and discuss its influence and importance.

A ‘witness seminar’ is a methodology developed by the Centre for Contemporary British History. It brings together participants in historical events in a facilitated discussion, led by an experienced oral historian. Its objective is to capture testimony on events for which there is limited historical record, and to do so in a way that encourages debate. The seminar is to be video-recorded and preserved in the University of Melbourne Archives for researchers to access in the future. Transcripts and excerpts will be published on the university website.

Chair and Facilitator:

**Professor Kate Darian-Smith**  
Chair of History of the University Unit  
University of Melbourne

Panel:

- **The Hon. Mr Stephen Charles QC**  
- **Associate-Professor Charles Coppel**  
- **Sir James Gobbo AC CVO KstJ QC**  
- **Alan Gregory AM**  
- **The Hon. Howard Nathan**  
- **Dr Ailsa Zainu’ddin**

2.00 – 3.30pm, 19 June 2013  
Room G08, Melbourne Law School,  
University of Melbourne, 185 Pelham Street, Carlton.

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