red tape

official rules that seem unnecessary and prevent things from being done quickly and easily

***Herald Sun: Out of the loop, crime fight derailed by CCTV wrange***

**Red tape is blocking police from accessing recorded CCTV footage across the entire metropolitan rail network.**

***VACC:The Job Ready Program, an easier***

***alternative for hiring skilled migrants***

**Are you having trouble finding skilled employees but don’t want the red tape involved in hiring overseas workers?**