

**NON-CUSTODIAL PARENTS PARTY (EQUAL PARENTING)**

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Attention Ms Julie Dennett

Dear Ms Dennett,

**International Child Abduction To and From Australia.**

We thank the Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs for the opportunity for us to make a submission on International Abduction To and From Australia.

Sometimes the Senate should be looking at a different approach.

Both parents should be involved in the decision-making process. The present adversarial approach in the Family Court, with the winner taking all, is the cause of the child abduction problem.

Our solution is simple.

**Implement a rebuttable presumption of equal time shared parenting in the Family Law Act 1975.**

Both parents are then engaged in the process.

By going down a path of increased government controls, the problem of international child abduction will no doubt become worse.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully

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