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Dear Secretary

**RE: Submission to the Senate Legal and constitutional Affairs Committee's Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010 Inquiry**

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Senate Standing Committee on the Legal and Constitutional affairs inquiry into the Patent Amendment (Human and Biological Materials) Bill 2010.

I fully support this bill as I believe no corporate or private institution should be able to control or own 'life'. Attempts to alter one gene to have sole access to that technology is nothing short of greed and corporate control. We humans must now allow such control unabated. I urge you to support this Bill before you to ensure that we are not controlled or owned by private self interested corporations and institutions.

You would not allow a patent on the ownership of gold, silver, tin or lead, why would you allow the ownership of a tree, plant or humans? These organisms were created in nature and should not be owned by anyone.

Yours sincerely

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