The Government's APS Bargaining Policy Submission 6

Hi

I am writing this letter of submission regarding

the failure of the Government to conclude workplace bargaining across the Australian Public Service almost three years after the process began - a process that has impacted :

our family and work life has been impacted because there has been no salary increase for over three years.

All the commodities prices and utility charges have increase. We are all struggling to balance our work and family life without any stress.

But this bargaining delay has made it worse.

My concern is also that we have wasted so much time without any outcome which has impacted on us personally, physically and mentally.

It has also impacted on the morale ,work place flexibility and leave.

I don't think that we and our family should have been suffering because of the failure of the government to listen to us and conclude the bargaining issues.

Along with that we had to colocate Medicare with Centrelink offices and we were not even given the equal classification as the Centrelink office.

We were told that we cannot be APS4 in Medicare Office so we had to move to Centrelink. But once we were co located this should have happened automatically. But no instead we were given more work with less pay.

Even in the bargaining pay increase the APS3 are not good enough for salary advancement. I think this is unfair treatment.

Kind Regards Bharathi