

Re: Submission re Stronger Futures

To the Senate Community Affairs Committee  
Regarding the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2011

My name is Tas Jurs, I am a private citizen of Victoria,

I wish to make a submission to the Committee to express my opposition to the proposed Stronger Futures legislation.

From what I understand, The recent Intervention on the Indigenous People of Australia was heavily biased in concept & the reasons given for the implementation of the intervention were flawed in both investigation and comprehension, and considerably more so inherently within the scope of its consideration and subsequent application.

In addition , Those flaws clearly apparent in execution of all stages of the process were communicated to the Common public using further means that were not entirely factual or based on proper unbiased procedure.

The nature of the process that determined the Intervention's validation in Public found by various parties later involved concluded that the Fundamental origins of the data and implementation strategies were highly flawed and considerably unfair and created great deal of further discord amongst not only the Aboriginal people but also throughout the general public.  
This kind of Behaviour does not sit well upon the integrity of the Australian people as a whole and in my honest opinion it is most unbecoming for a Australian Parliamentary procedure to be conducted in this fashion.

I do solemnly concur with the concerns expressed by community groups and national organisations, that the legislation definitely does not reflect the views expressed by communities during the Stronger Futures consultations, and that to uphold this flawed promise and action to the Indigenous people will further embed the dis-empowerment and discrimination that was begun under the Northern Territory Intervention.

This matter needs to be rectified with proper consideration of the expressed rightful needs of and full collaboration with the Indigenous People.

It is fair and right to attend to this matter in this way.

Any other means is decidedly another form of Abuse, a characteristic that we Australians are not and should not ever become comfortable with.

I feel that I can speak for any fair minded person when I say that, I do not wish to take part in an activity that upholds & projects further suffering onto not just the Aboriginal People but in addition all peoples of the world as we know it.

I ask that the legislation be withdrawn with good speed and that an alternative policy is developed, based on genuine consultation, community empowerment, the respect of Aboriginal culture, lands and languages, and the fundamental right of Aboriginal people to be able to control their own lives.

In addition I ask that, greater care is taken to avoid future grievances at the expense of the Indigenous People and our common sense as a whole.

All people deserve these fundamental rights.

Thank you.

Tas Jurs