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To: <u>Community Affairs, Committee (SEN)</u>;

Subject: Spam: Submission to the Inquiry into the National Disability Insurance Scheme Bill 2012

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Please consider this email a formal submission by me to the Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs Inquiry into the National Disability Insurance Scheme Bill 2012.

The current disability system has many problems that need to be addressed.

My niece has a very rare condition that requires regular medical attention and specialist appointments. Some of this treatment needs to take place in Adelaide so flights and accommodation is therefore an additional cost.

Due to her condition being rare, she is not covered by the current disability system.

Changes need to be made so that ALL people with a disability get the respect, dignity and assistance that they require.

The family that are the care givers also need your assistance and you are currently letting them all down.

Please look after the people in our society that need them the most.

The main features of the NDIS that will make a difference to the community are:

More rights for people with a disability, Removal of age barriers to services for children, Older parents and families will not worry what happens when they can no longer provide support

The most important services for the NDIS to provide are:

Support for families and carers, In-home care and domestic assistance, Case management, planning and coordination

I support the introduction of the NDIS.

Because these are the people that need help the most in our society and they are currently not receiving it.

It is simply unacceptable and things must change

I agree for my submission to be made public

Regards,

Mr Damian Stefanoff