

Dear Joint Select Committee

Please will you find that:

1. The indefinite nature of detention should be ended. Health, security and identity checks can be done within 30 days and any detention after this period should be decided by independent judicial review.
2. Ensure children and their families are removed from detention as promptly as practicable.
3. End remote detention. If people are moved through centres much quicker there will not be a need for more and more centres. Access to community groups, support and appropriate care is far more likely in and around our capital cities.
4. Detention has been used as a management tool not a deterrent.

From Peter Monie