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Committee Secretary

Inquiry into better support for carers
 House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family,
 Community Housing and Youth
 P.O. Box 6021 Parliament House Canberra ACT 2602

Dear Secretary

I wish to make a submission to the House of Representatives
 Standing Committee on Family, Community Housing and
 Youth's Inquiry into Better Support for Carers

As a Carer I feel that my role is

Looking after wife 24/7 days a week who has
 Frontal Temporal Dementia

I Face the following problems

Depression at times Low Carers pension uncertain future
 cost of fuel for transport. living expenses Centre link
 every two years stopping your pension by mistake when you
 have given the information to them what they required.

I think the Government can better help carers by
 paying part of dentist bills Transport Costs (Private)
 Extra money to providers who provide short Respite. One
 night not good enough. Making sure that the one off
 payment to Carers each year stays. ALSO taking into
 account inflation maybe increasing the amount.
 ALSO Keeping in touch with carers to see how they are
 coping

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Thanks you for taking my views into consideration as part of the Committee's Inquiry. I look forward to reviewing any recommendations you make to improve life for Carers in Australia.

Yours Sincerely

Peter