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(Inq into better support for carers)

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Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth  
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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 ....

NOT UNDERSTOOD BY MINISTERS OF PARLIAMENT:

I face the following problems ...

NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION GIVEN, TO CARERS ON ALL ASPECTS  
OF CARING FOR PARTNERS. IE, POWER OF ATTORNEY, FINANCIAL  
INFORMATION, SEARCHING FOR LONG TERM CARE IN SUITABLE ACCOMMODATION.

I need help with ...

RESPIRE, NOT ENOUGH. MOST PLACES HAVE TO BOOK IN ADVANCE.  
COST OF RESPIRE AND PERMANENT CARE,  
COST OF CARING FOR A DEPENDANT.

I think the Government can better help Carers by ...

GIVING MORE MONEY,  
BETTER ACCOMMODATION FOR DEPENDANTS, WHETHER YOUNG OR OLD.  
MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SERVICE, MORE INFORMATION FINANCIAL  
MATTERS.

Thank 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

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