Committee Secretary
Community Affairs Committee
Department of the Senate
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Dear committee secretary or to whom it may concern,

Please be made aware that I am opposed to human cloning including 'therapeutic' cloning.

Since Parliaments' unanimous vote to ban human cloning in 2002, there have been <u>no proven cases</u> of peer reviewed, patient – specific embryonic stem cells for the treatment of disease created anywhere in the world. Somatic cell nuclear transfer is another fancy way of saying the word, "cloning".

There simply is no medical or scientific precedence to justify it.

Human cloning is wrong. No matter how you dress it up with scientific babble, no matter how much you circle around the morality of it with social jargon and try to justify it. Human cloning is wrong.

Please do not make the foolish mistake of dismissing the simplicity of this submission and others like it, by treating it as ignorant, simplistic or uninformed.

- If I have heard the truth concerning any matter on the highest authority, "this is wrong", then I have all the information I need.
- If the answer to the question is a simple one, then I have made myself a fool by choosing to complicate it with science, or try to justify it by any means.
- I only need to hear it once, and I need only repeat it (as I heard it) once.
- I do not need to run the course of scientific research to justify any argument against what I have heard.
- I do not need to waste my own and every body else's time by creating a scientific or political "tower of Babel" which tries to build a case for all to see that 'This is right!', when I have heard clearly that 'This is wrong'.
- I simply need to say in agreement, "Yes, you are right, this is wrong, so I won't do it".

- If I am able to give a yes or no answer on a clear cut issue, then I make myself more intelligent than all the intellectuals, philosphers, politicians, speculators and experts in the world who may have spent the last thousand years talking around the issue, and writing a hundred thousand books on the subject.
- If I simply agree to the truth on a matter then my agreement makes me "right" on the matter.
- If I am "right" on any matter, then I don't need to inform any one else about the truth of the matter to make myself "more right".
- If I know the truth on any matter, I do not need to call for any other submissions from any body to support any other argument to the contrary.

Seeing that **you have asked** for submissions on the issue, then I will tell you the truth regarding this matter. Human cloning is **wrong**, and if you decide to say, "No, we will not agree to it", then you will be making the **right** decision.

It really is as simple as that. Please don't make yourself look silly by saying that it isn't. Be big and bold enough to make the **right** decision at this time even if it be in the face of the entire world shouting against you.

It is very commonly accepted by scientists the world over that blood is first formed in a cell from the very moment of conception, so it follows quite logically that if you say yes to human cloning, then you will in fact have blood on your hands.

Thank you for listening to this submission.

Truthfully,

Peter James Young