APPENDIX 2

Public Hearings

Thursday, 15 December 2005 Parliament House, Canberra

Committee Members in attendance

Senator HumphriesSenator McGauranSenator AdamsSenator McLucasSenator AllisonSenator MooreSenator BoswellSenator NashSenator FieldingSenator NettleSenator JoyceSenator Polley

Witnesses

Australian Medical Association (AMA)

Dr Mukesh Haikerwal, President

Dr Andrew Pesce, Executive Councillor

Dr Margaret Chirgwin, Director, ama Public Health and Ethics Department

Department of Health and Ageing

Ms Jane Halton, Secretary

Professor John Horvath, Chief Medical Officer

Dr David Graham, National Manager, Therapeutic Goods Administration

Mr Richard Eccles, Assistant Secretary

Rural Doctors Association of Australia

Via teleconference

Dr Ross Maxwell, President

Dr Sue Page, past President

Ms Susan Stratigos, Policy Advisor

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

Dr Christine Tippett, Senior Vice President

Catholic Health

Mr Francis Sullivan, Chief Executive Officer

Australian Reproductive Health Alliance

Ms Christina Richards. Chief Executive Officer

Ms Marie Coleman, Patron

Ms Lesley Vick, recent Acting President

Women's Electoral Lobby Australia (WEL)

Ms Roslyn Dundas, ACT Convenor

Friday, 3 February 2006 Parliament House, Melbourne

Committee Members in attendance

Senator HumphriesSenator McLucasSenator AdamsSenator MooreSenator AllisonSenator NashSenator BarnettSenator NettleSenator FieldingSenator PolleySenator JoyceSenator Webber

Witnesses

Dr Jo Wainer – Monash Institute for Health Services Research

The Royal Women's Hospital & Family Planning Victoria

Ms Dale Fisher, Chief Executive, The Royal Women's Hospital

Ms Lynne Jordan, Chief Executive Officer, Family Planning Victoria

Professor Jeremy Oats, Clinical director Women's Services, The Royal Women's Hospital

Dr Chris Bayly, Associate Director Women's Services, The Royal Women's Hospital

Mr Charles Francis QC

Ms Babette Francis, Endeavour Forum Inc****

Right to Life Australia

Ms Margaret Tighe, President

Dr Mathew Piercy

Australian Federation of Right to Life Associations

Ms Kath Woolf, Spokesperson

Ms Carolyn Mongan, Councillor, ACT Right to Life Association

Public Health Association of Australia

Dr Cathy Mead

Dr Angela Taft

Dr Julia Shelley

Reproductive Choice Australia

Dr Leslie Cannold

Women's Health Victoria

Ms Marilyn Beaumont, Executive Director

Ms Kerrilie Rice, Policy & Research Officer

Dr Graeme Wood

Dr Elvis Seman

Dr Sally Cockburn

National Union of Students

Ms Sarah Wickham, National Women's Officer

Women's Department, Monash Student Association

Ms Rhiannon Platt, Women's Officer

Dr Renate Klein

Southern Cross Bioethics Institute

Dr Greg Pike, Director

Festival of Light

Mr Richard Egan, Member

Monday, 6 February 2006 Parliament House, Sydney

Committee Members in attendance

Senator HumphriesSenator MooreSenator AdamsSenator NashSenator BarnettSenator PolleySenator FieldingSenator Webber

Senator Heffernan

Witnesses

Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney

Dr Brigid Vout, Executive Officer, Life Office

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, Bishops Committee for the Family and for Life

Bishop Anthony Fisher

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, Respect Life Office

Ms Marcia Riordon, Executive Officer

Women's Health NSW

Ms Denele Crozier, Executive Officer

Women's Abortion Action Campaign Bessie Smyth Foundation

Ms Margaret Kirkby

Bankstown Women's Health Centre

Ms Sue McClelland, Coordinator

Leichhardt Women's Community Health Centre staff

Ms Isabelle Potter, Manager

Ms Jo Perks, Women's Health Nurse

Ms Rita Joseph

Australians Against RU486

Ms Simone Holzapfel, Executive Director

Women's Forum Australia (WFA)

Ms Katrina George, Director

Ms Melinda Tankard-Reist, Director

Ms Anne Sherston

Women's Hospitals Australasia

Dr Robert Buist, President

The Royal Australasian College of Physicians, Australasian Chapter of Sexual Health Medicine

Dr Therese Foran

Dr Catherine Lennon

Dr Dianne Grocott

Dr John James

Mr John Wilks

Sexual Health & Family Planning Australia

Dr Edith Weisberg, Director of Research

Mr Cameron McLean, Acting Chief Executive Officer

A/Professor Susan Dodds