







6th February 2009

Committee Secretary
Community Affairs Committee
Department of the Senate
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Committee Secretary

Please find attached our submissions to the Inquiry into Appropriation (Nation Building and Jobs) Bill (No. 2) 2008 – 2009.

We have provided two documents:

- Impact of the Global Financial Crisis on Social Services in Australia, a report commissioned from Access Economics
- Averting the Social Impact of the Global Financial Crisis, Recommendations of Anglicare Australia, Catholic Social Services Australia, The Salvation Army and UnitingCare Australia

The four major Church providers making this submission provide the overwhelming majority of social services in Australia. We hope our analysis will be of assistance to those considering measures to avert the social impact of the global financial crisis.

We would be pleased to provide any further information to the inquiry and would welcome the opportunity to present our views directly.

Yours sincerely,

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