

**CONSUMERS REFERENCE GROUP, RE; FORGOTTEN
AUSTRALIANS SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE REVIEW OF THE
RECOMMENDATIONS; 13th APRIL 2009**

I am a South Australian State Ward who was (SEXUALLY ABUSED) as a child whilst in State Care.

My name is Ki Meekins , this Submission has been written to the Federal Senate Select Committee Review of the Recommendations, hoping all Federal Senators seriously take into consideration my Submission. 13th APRIL 2009:

This Dark Chapter in our Australian history that was allowed to grow and fester since 1865, all the way up until the 21st Century 2009.

The direct (RESPONSIBILITY) of these atrocities lie solely with the Prime Minister, every Premier, and finally with our National Public Population.

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1 THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN APOLOGY:

A: State Wards were apologised to by the Premier Mike Rann, and Minister Jay Weatherill.

B: State Wards were told yes the Premier will make an apology, but you will have to go next door, letting church and other dignitaries' take your seat in Parliament, there isn't enough room inside Parliament for every body. What a further insult.

2 THE STATUTES OF LIMITATIONS

A: The South Australian Statutes of Limitations was abolished unopposed in Parliament; THANKYOU HON ANDREW EVANS MP FAMILY FIRST;

B: Our Premier Mike Rann, has tried to take the kudos for the abolishing of the Statutes of Limitations, it was not his doing full stop. You can check the records.

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3 REDRESS SCHEME GOVERNMENT TASKFORCE JULY 2008

A: 9 Months later we the State Wards are still waiting for the Task-Force to get back to us with their Findings, Recommendations, and their Conclusion. We are still waiting Premier Rann/Minister Jennifer Rankine.

B: The Government has so it thinks, expressed its commitment to make reparation of (\$50,000) available to victims of abuse in care without the prerequisite of a conviction to avoid further traumatisation of individuals and their families.

C: Taking into consideration Irelands unlimited uncapped Payments, and Western Australia's (\$80,000). Our South Australia Government is only further adding to the insult.

4 FAMILIES SA, SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT.

A: This Special Investigation Unit, has been operating under a black cloud since the start, ad hock investigations, investigators acting as Police Officers and further more 50 Statements were not taken. IE The South Australian EASLING CASE, was full of departmental malfeasance.

**5 FAST TRACKING OF SEX ABUSE CASES AGAINST
CHILDREN.**

A: We the Adult victims of child hood sexual abuse against us are still waiting for our cases to be fast tracked saving victims further abuse as Promised by the Premier Mike Rann.

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**6 THE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO CHILDREN IN STATE
CARE.**

A: Bill Morris was appointed to the COI to be the Chief Investigator in charge of investigating all allegations of child sexual abuse.

B: Bill Morris now Magistrate, was Convicted Peadophile Ex Magistrate Peter Liddy's best friend, buddy, and legal counsel. We the State Wards and Today-Tonight Current Affairs Program exposed these facts and the next day Bill Morris was sacked as chief investigator the next day, thanks to Graham Archer of Today Tonight for raising these facts alerting State Wards to the extreme conflict of interest.

C: Did the Rann Government think Bill Morris could slip through the crack's unaware, no chance.

7 THE FORGOTTEN AUSTRALIANS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:

A: South Australian Forgotten Australians are not happy that we missed out on the opportunity to give our versions of events to the Federal Senate's Review, it is totally unacceptable. We deserve to be heard and given a chance to do so. As a lot of State Wards do not read or right, and further more do not know how to relate or raise their matters of serious public interest, without assistance. Remember we are the Governments Children, we deserve to be treated as such, just like any other caring family unit.

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8 POST CARE SERVICES SOUTH AUSTRALIA 2009:

A: Post Care Services has been set up to cater for all State Wards over 30 years of age.

B: They are grossly under staffed, under financed, under resourced, and further more when any State Ward Victims ring the hotline to get assistance or are in need of a range of measures, we only get the answering machine.

ONCE AGAIN YET ANOTHER INSULT TO OUR INTELLIGENCE

C: The staff are nice to us , but just being nice doesn't cut the concrete when trying to access services and critical needs and information. The whole service demands a major boost in staffing, funding, and resource levels enabling Post Care Service to cater for the large amount of Forgotten Australians knocking on their door.

9 CLAN:

A: How is it possible for any State Ward on the streets to find extra money to join CLAN so they can access information and, it is a further insult asking any State Ward to pay for their own information. This JOINING FEE must be abolished.

10 RELATIONSHIPS AUSTRALIA:

A: Relationships Australia was set up specifically for the State Ward Forgotten Australians, after going there with Post Care Services staff to see what is offered to us as a service. After checking out the place I was sitting in the front entrance to the place, and witnessed two gays fondling each other's rear ends etc. I was not impressed and have chosen after informing PCS staff not to ever return to that place. So much for services specifically designed to cater for Forgotten Australian State Wards with SPECIFIC NEEDS.

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11 . FINANCIAL SUPPORT

A: So far no financial support has been given directly to State Ward
Forgotten Australians

12 HEALTH SERVICES.

A: We the Forgotten Australian State Wards, demand critical services, our
teeth are rotten, many have no education, many can not read, many can not
write, many can not relate to the public, many have no parenting skills, many
have no housing. I after many years on the streets now have housing, but my
medical needs such as internal workings are ongoing. My body is a wreck and
this state caused it, now this state must be forced to pay for any medical needs
for the rest of my life, as does every other state ward who fall into these needs.

**13 REGISTERING THE FORGOTTEN AUSTRALIANS NAME
TO PROTECT OUR NAME FROM BEING EXPLOITED BY
OTHER GROUPS.**

A: Advocate groups charging at least (\$1,000) in one case is one example as
to why our name has been protected.

B: Our Forgotten Australian Website, does not exclude any Forgotten
Australian from joining, and secondly we do not charge any fee's. And any
funds raised by the site remains the property of all Forgotten Australians.

14 THE SA POLICE PEADOPHILE TASK FORCE.

A: The SA Police Paedophile Task Force is to be abolished in 2010, how is
this possible when I have been told by the Police Paedophile Task Force that
they are only just starting to scratch the surface with current investigations,
and if they close next year many cases will be handed onto other squads as in
the past. Therefore leaving many cases un investigated and thrown onto a
heap with many other unrelated case work loads. The PPTF must not be
closed as the conviction of Paedophile Rick Marshall and others proves its
worthiness by far.

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**15 ICAC – INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST
CORRUPTION.**

A: This City Of Churches is the last place one would expect to have many hidden dirty state secrets, (100) DEATHS OF CHILDREN IN STATE CARE OF A CRIMMINAL SUSPICIOUS NATURE, certainly screams out for the immediate initiation of a South Australian Independent Commission Against Corruption.

B: The EASLING CASE also screams out for an I. C. A. C. To investigate independently why so many flaws were flouted and accepted as the norm. It is not normal for fifty Police statements to be over looked, and Special Investigation Unit investigators acting as Police Officers is certainly not the norm, and I believe against the law. This Rann Government certainly has a lot to hide from an Independent Commission Against Corruption.

**16 THE FURTHER ABUSE OF STATE WARD FORGOTTEN
AUSTRALIANS.**

A: Ever since the beginning of The Hon Ted Mulligan's Commission Of Inquiry, we the VICTIMS have had our chests opened up with open heart surgery, the longer our Government takes to fairly and appropriately close our open heart surgery with fair Redress Closure, services specifically designed for State Ward Forgotten Australians, all of the excellent works of Justice Ted Mulligan's Commission will just fall by the way side.

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**EVERYTHING IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA ISN'T
ROSEY, PEACHY, AND OUR PREMIER IS NOT
LEADING BY EXAMPLE, ITS TIME FOR THE
PREMIER TO LEAD THE CHARGE AND CLOSE
THIS DARK BLOT IN HISTORY ONCE AND FOR
ALL. OTHERWISE HE WILL BE EXPOSED AS SUCH
AND FURTHER MORE BE FORCED TO FIND
ANOTHER JOB PERIOD.**

**Thankyou From Ki Meekins;
Of South Australia**