

Committee Secretary
Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services
Department of the Senate
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600
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Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services
Inquiry into Corporate Responsibility

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Human Rights Council of Australia welcomes the current inquiry into corporate responsibility.

The Council is making a submission with reference to the following area of the inquiry:

- g. Whether regulatory, legislative or other policy approaches in other countries could be adopted or adapted for Australia

OECD Watch has recently released its report '*Five Years On: A Review of the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and National Contact Points*'.

The report can be downloaded from the OECD Watch website using the following link:
http://www.oecdwatch.org/docs/OECD_Watch_5_years_on.pdf.

The Human Rights Council urges the Committee to review the report as part of the current inquiry.

Yours sincerely,



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