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Submission To

The Chair of the Senate Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Committee
Inquiry into the Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2005 -

comments: To the Committee,

As long as Australia is producing nuclear waste (a topic for another debate), Australia must be responsible for safely handling and disposing of that waste. The issue before us is not wheather but where, and - more importantly - how.

The Federal Government has - for reasons that are not transparent - decided to place Australia's nuclear waste in the Northern Territory. This decision has sadly been arrived at without wide community consultation.

It is undemocratic, unAustralian and fundamentally unfair for the Federal Government to make a unilateral decision to locate nuclear waste in the Territory.

I oppose the Government's decision, not because they wish to locate nuclear waste in the NT, but because there has been no consultation and no debate.

I encourage the Committee to urge the Government to reconsider the process by which their decision has been made, and to open the issue up to a more democratic and fundamentally more Australian consideration.

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