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Dear Jonathan Curtis and the Senate Select Committee,

Many thanks for your letter dd 9 Dec, 2004, and for your invitation to make an additional response to the Select Committee.

I have been overseas for the last month and I note that the closing date has expired. I still wish to send a submission, hurried as it is, in the hope that it will be included in your considerations.

I have been teaching in Korea for the last month. I was very impressed that many Aussie teachers, selected for their teaching skills not their political views, choose to present indigenous themes to Korean audiences during this period.

I presented Tiddelak the Giant Frog to my class. This very compact story contains more ethics than all the writings of Dickens, Meville and Peter Singer together.

I also explained the history of the boomerang and its influence on more modern flying machines and alluded to the maths behind the complex string games that Aussie Aborigines and many other peoples from this region play. Jones, from NZ, received a Field Prize for his work on Knot Theory about a decade ago.

The Kiwis pay more respect to the body of scientific knowledge that their ancestors handed down to them. I believe this is one reason why they outperform Aussies so comprehensively in modern research. Rutherford is the prime example.

In Australia, we have people like Ruddoch who expose Aborigines to public contempt with comments such as 'They didn't invent the wheel'. Ruddoch has never invented anything, but he has imported some atrocious policies from overseas into Australia.

I hope you accept my belated submission. The Federal and State governments are devising more ways to disenfranchise Aboriginal people, so even the best thought out submission will be dated within a few weeks.

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1. History of the Last Decade

Australia's Aboriginal people have had a very tough time since the arrival of the Europeans. The great intellectuals of the day had scant respect for their existence once the more obvious secrets of their economy had been deciphered and exploited.

There was a movement towards a more humane treatment of Aboriginals under the Whitlam, Hawke and Keating governments.

Howard was elected to 'restore the balance', putting things back into a very European perspective, with Tim Fisher promising bucket-loads of extinguishments for Native Title. Australians responded positively to this strategy and to other strategies Howard imported from overseas which resulted in us breaking numerous treaties, conventions and human rights obligations. Again the Australian people responded positively.

Native Title is still being granted, but the strings attached are almost certain to ensure that each claim will fail within a few decades. Some exceptions may last longer.

We have permission from Howard's political masters, the US and the UK, to do whatever we please as long as they think that it furthers the advance of their economies.

Howard has instituted a program which can best be described under the headings:

1. *Practical Genocide*
2. *Genocide Industry*

2. Practical Genocide

Howard speaks of practical Reconciliation. He has disbanded ATSIC in a way that is almost certainly illegal. My information is that ATSIC staff were sacked in an email and then reinstated in a subsequent email. ATSIC's programs and resources have not been accounted for since ATSIC changed its status.

Government Departments' names were changed to omit the word Indigenous and then again altered to put it back in.

Different stories about the way the Government treats Aboriginals filter through. A doctor on an ABC program said that Aboriginal Health is so bad because that is the way we want it. Resources are not provided to address health issues. Resources to prevent health problems arising are badly under-funded.

The AMA said during the 2004 Election Campaign that the Howard Government provides funds to start programs to improve Aboriginal health and then provides no further funding once the initial studies have been done. As a result of this very practical policy in genocide, little funds actually reach Aboriginal communities.

Some very simple measures would have a major impact on Aboriginal Health. We choose not to implement them.

3. Practical Genocide: Overseas Representatives

Most Australians want a fair go for Aboriginal people. They also want corruption to be punished.

When they see story after story in the media about how corrupt Clarke, Robinson or other Aboriginal people are, then the reflex reaction is to get rid of the offending person and then get on with reconciliation.

There are a lot of Aboriginal people and communities in Australia. Each one can be made to seem corrupt or deficient by a few choice articles in our media.

Self Administration in SA was terminated because children were sniffing petrol. Sniffing petrol is an European problem. We introduced the substance and we used it at various times, along with other drugs such as opium, to pay Aboriginal peoples. It could easily be eliminated, although one fears that it would be replaced with a worse drug.

Australians generally have an affection and admiration for Aboriginal people. Without them, many of our early communities would have failed.

The traditional Australian way to get around this 'problem' is to ensure that people making Australian policies come from overseas. This is especially true in our legal system and in our religious communities.

People from overseas may well be very good people, compared to an average Australian. They see issues in terms of their own backgrounds and values and are quite happy to go along with suggestions that a given initiative will actually improve things for Aboriginal people. They often do not have the time to genuinely consult with Aboriginal people.

A recent example from SA illustrates this approach quite neatly. A Kiwi reported a 5 year strategy for his church to the Archbishop and an invited congregation. I asked him after the meeting what his strategy meant for SA's aboriginal people. He replied that their problems could only be resolved once Australia followed NZ's lead and granted them Self Administration or Self Determination. I replied that SA's papers had been full of stories over the last 3 weeks, reporting that Aboriginal Administration in SA was being terminated.

I believe the Kiwi was a good and a clever man. I cannot conceive how he was so ignorant of the state of politics in SA, because he was living there when he wrote his report.

The story illustrates how Practical Genocide works in Australia. We employ the same techniques, selecting people from overseas to introduce obscene legislation into our legal system and police officers and prison staff from overseas to see that it is enforced.

4. Genocide Industry

A whole industry has been created in which people are involved in activities that contribute towards Practical Genocide in Australia. The different headings include:

- a) Drug Importers and Drug Dealers
- b) Property Developers, Media People and Historians
- c) Human Rights Organisations
- d) The Police, Prisons

4.1 Genocide Industry: Drugs

China fought the Opium Wars to prevent Europeans importing opium into their country. I spent a year teaching in China, walking everywhere, and saw 2 used syringes. My impression is that China's drug problem is substantially less than Australia's.

Drugs were introduced into Australia on the first ships. Aboriginal efforts to resist Europeans were unsuccessful. Dr. E. Fesyl reports in her book *Conned!* That burnt opium killed more Aboriginals than rum did.

Drugs were used in Australia to pay people, especially Aboriginals. We had the Rum Corps in the early days and many Aboriginals were paid with opium as well as rum.

The way drugs are used in Australia over the last 200 years amounts to a governmental genocide policy. It is fairly consistent. Politicians publicly decry the use of drugs and implements policies to capture a small percentage of them. We grow opium in Tasmania and we import and manufacture massive amounts of hard drugs.

Government policy always ensures that there is a sufficient supply of drugs in Australia to provide to Aboriginal communities. Transportation to these communities is easy for the dealers.

Howard indicated that he might support Aboriginal initiatives to reduce the supply of drugs to their areas for communities that agreed to night-time curfews. This proposal is a crime in its own right.

State Governments vie with each other to attract big spending international drug dealers to their own casinos. Senior members of Australia's business community have made and are making a lot of money from drugs. The banks and other financial institutions support the trade.

Aboriginals in communities such as Redfern are provided with drugs at little or no cost. Drugs destabilise communities and make it easy for the media to give them a bad name. One American song speaks of free drugs for "tomorrow's clientele", but Australian attitudes seem to be oriented towards acceptance of a certain level of drugs in our community and in Aboriginal communities.

Government policy of providing drugs to Aboriginal communities constitutes an essential platform in Australia's Genocidal program.

4.2 Genocide Industry: Developers, Media, Legal, Human Rights and Prisons

The accepted attitude in Australia seems to be that Money is the God we worship. As long as someone is turning a profit from business activities, then that person is doing well. Drug dealers have the right to sell their products anywhere they don't get caught.

Property developers can destroy as much of our landscape as they choose as long as they make a profit. This has the added advantage of depriving Aboriginals from any rights to these areas. Indeed Byron bay in considering following European custom and may charge people to visit the town.

Our media run story after story about the corruption and disruption within Aboriginal communities. Historians are paid to write the most unbelievable rubbish about what constitutes Australia's history, disregarding any information for which documentation cannot be found. History has always been an oral art, and people say that Shakespeare did not even write his plays on paper, but historians demand documented evidence.

We introduce legislation which is aimed specifically at Aboriginal people. Other legislation is implemented only against Aboriginal people and against people in poor communities. Mandatory Sentencing, which is still active in WA, exemplifies this approach.

Legal people earn obscene amounts of money implementing these laws. They then pretend to protect Aboriginal people from them, but the percentage and number of Aboriginal people in jails continues to rise.

The jailing of Aboriginal people is seen as a *growth area* in Howard's Australia. Police incite Aboriginal protests, call them riots, and use them to train our police forces for their illegal activities overseas.

Human Rights organisations try to 'improve things' for Aboriginal people by taking their children to 'safer' environments. As Joan Kirner said, the only difference between a rotweiler and a DOCS type organisation is that the rotweiler will give the child back eventually.

5. Religious Freedom and Sovereignty

Australia has signed many documents which discuss Freedom of Religion. My understanding is that the USA established a Freedom of Religion policy for their indigenous peoples in 1978 and that other countries have similar policies.

I don't believe that Australia has explicitly granted Freedom of Religion to Aboriginals. Different legislation and policies would run counter to such a policy.

An example is the legislation which the NT introduced recently to change the marriage customs of Aboriginal communities. The ABC seems determined that women must take over male roles in Aboriginal communities. Our jailing policies make it difficult for Aboriginal males to become initiated in any culture, Western or Aboriginal.

Imposing night-time curfews on Aboriginal communities is an effective way of destroying Aboriginal religions. Their way of life is so tightly integrated with the land, the water, the animals and the stars that a night-time curfew would destroy much of their sacred knowledge.

The different religions that have been imported into Australia, particularly from the Middle East, are so different in character and nature from the way they were originally conceived that they may not pass any objective definition of a religion.

Different countries have signed Treaties with their Indigenous people to guarantee religious freedom. Australia has yet to follow suit (I believe). We occupy this land, but we have no legal Sovereignty over it. Indeed my understanding is that NSW was gazetted in the 1990's.

6. Genocide: The Program

Many Aboriginal nations have been destroyed. For them, the genocide is complete.

Other Aboriginal communities and nations have survived, with massive destruction to their cultural, environmental and religious infrastructure.

Aboriginal culture is the oldest in the world. People disparage it publicly, but the West has learnt much from it. We say that Aboriginals could not count past 3 and that they had no maths. Computers use the characters 0 and 1 and can perform any mathematical calculation. Similarly Aboriginal people were used to counting and naming the stars and calculating directions and times and had a robust mathematical system.

People say that Aboriginal people cannot write. This was repeated in a book which I read recently about stone engravings. The author then went on to say that, if you only read the first half of the message on a stone, you cannot understand it – you need to read the whole message to understand it.

Writing consists of putting symbols down so that other people can read them and reconstruct the original message. Aboriginal people have numerous ways for doing this. They use message sticks and their painting represent sacred stories which other people who can read them can understand.

Aboriginals can write. *The problem is that we are illiterate in our own land.*

Australians accept the definitions of Human Rights and Genocide as they might apply in foreign lands.

Using similar definitions, we would expect that the Genocide against the Aboriginal peoples will be complete within the next century.

Linguists have studied Aboriginal Languages and concluded that they will all be destroyed within 50 years. This would mark the end of Australia's Genocide program.

I am slightly more optimistic than that. People say that Aboriginal youth do not like to learn their own language and culture.

I was recently involved in a Wiradjuri learning group. Some young people joined the group one day, and we acted out Tiddelak in Wiradjuri. One young Aboriginal boy, his eyes gleaming with excitement, said "This is crazy".

I think that, despite our worst efforts, Aboriginal culture will continue long into the future.

Our culture, which is based on *greed* will certainly not survive long.

Aboriginal culture, which is based on *community, respect and the containment of greed* has already lasted for more than 50,000 years. The people doing the most important work in Australia are the blokes in the bush who are keeping the culture alive. *They are all that stands between us and total genocide.*

We show our contempt for these people by calling them corrupt and accusing them of accepting Sit-Down money.

Perhaps we can employ them to improve the ethical standing of our own governments and institutions. When a federal government spends tens of billions of dollars to ensure re-election and when we invade poor communities to steal their resources, such assistance from our Aboriginal Brothers would indeed be a blessing.

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Yours Sincerely
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