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Subject: Northern Territory Indigenous Legislation

## Dear Senator:

May I sincerely urge you not to pass the Indigenous Legislation for the Northern Territory. To interfere so dramatically in people's lives without proper consultation is an insult not only to the people involved but to the whole idea of trying to help those in need. This legislation is discriminatory because it targets just one group of people. It is reminiscent of the paternal attitude of the early days of white supremacy. It is appalling that we should stoop to this type of behaviour once again.

Without the permission and assistance of those concerned the legislation will be a failure. The Indigenous people themselves should be deciding the best type of solutions to their problems.

Please ensure that the dignity of the Indigenous people is recognized and promoted. The only way that you can do this is to vote against this legislation and then address the issue in a more democratic and understanding way.

Yours sincerely.

## **SUBMITTORS**

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