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Subject: Submission from Catholic Women's League Archdiocese of Sydney to the Inquiry into the

Rights of the Terminally III (Euthanasia Laws Repeal) Bill 2008

To Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Dear Sir

Thank you for the opportunity to present a submission on behalf of the membership of Catholic Women's League, Archdiocese of Sydney.

Catholic Women's League strongly upholds the dignity of every human person.

We are in support of legislation which <u>does not</u> allow states or territories to sanction processes which by deliberate act or omission, permit the intentional killing of human beings.

Euthanasia being a deliberate act or omission which puts an end to a persons' life heightens the risk to the vulnerable person, the elderly or disabled within our society.

The legislation of euthanasia would have a damaging effect on society and the right of all individuals to feel secure and comfortable, through palliative care, at end of life.

Yours sincerely Moya Potts President Catholic Women's League Archdiocese of Sydney