

**Submission on the Rights of the Terminally Ill (Euthanasia Laws Repeal) Bill 2008 to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee.**

We, who have signed our names below, are from Wadeye, Port Keats in the Northern Territory.

We are against this Bill because it will bring back the old euthanasia law (the Rights of the Terminally Ill Act) to the Northern Territory.

When this law was in the NT before, we said that we did not want this law.

It is not our way to kill an old person or a sick person.

If hospitals and doctors can give a needle to make a person die, then many of our people will be afraid to go to hospital or to a doctor.

Already some of our people do not like to go to hospital for treatment because they do not understand everything that they are told by the doctors or nurses. Sometimes there are no people in Darwin to help as translators. Old people then will not get the help they need when they are sick.

We need more health services and better care for those who are dying and not to be offered a needle to end life.

We ask the Committee to tell the Senators that we do not want this law.

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