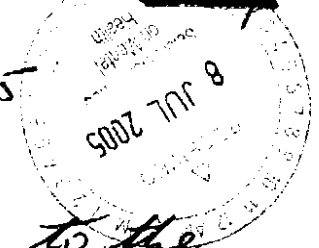


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The Secretary
Select Committee on Mental Health
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Dear Sir,
I draw the committee's attention to the August 1994 report of the Senate Select Committee on Public Interest Whistleblowing titled "In the Public Interest." In particular chapters 5 and 9 and my quote in 8. I also draw the committee's attention to the British Medical Journal, vol 307 11/9/93 "Whistleblowing" a health issue by Dr K.J. Lennane. Little has changed, nobody listens.

The simple fact remains that Australian governments, past and present, have failed to provide redress for some internal informants. In my own case when I applied for ex gratia consideration I was told some evidence was withheld and redress was refused thereby exacerbating my major depressive disorder.

The Australian Government could deal with the few unresolved cases on its own books on a humane basis.

I also draw the committee's attention to my own submission N° 83 to the above mentioned inquiry and my submission N° 1. to the House of Representatives Inquiry into Confidential Information titled "In Confidence." Yours faithfully R. Hamilton

