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INQUIRY INTO THE PRIVATISATION OF PRISONS AND PRISON-RELATED SERVICES

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THE PRIVATISATION OF PRISONS AND PRISON-RELATED SERVICES

The Director General Purpose Standing Committee No. 3 Parliament House Macquarie St Sydney NSW 2000

I wish to make a further submission to this committee in relation to the Terms of Reference section 7; "any other relevant matter"

Esteemed Committee Members,

I have been taking an interest of late in respect to the Department Of Corrective Services proposal to contract out two of our gaols (Cessnock and Parklea and possibly more...) and a number of other services they are ultimately in charge of. I have seen a number of things on television and heard a great many things on radio.

As a *lifelong* Labor supporter and voter, I wish to ask these questions,

"Has this Labor Government gone insane ?!!"

<u>"Has this Labor Government forgotten that as their own 2006/2008 Labor</u> <u>Policy Manual states " Labor opposes the private contract management of</u> <u>prisons" ! "</u>

<u>"Has this Labor Government forgotten it's fundamental roots and the most</u> basic principals that the Labor Party has stood for since it's inception!"

I CAN HEAR GENERATIONS OF LABOR POLITICIANS AND SUPPORTERS ALIKE TURNING IN THEIR GRAVES AT THIS VERY MOMENT AT THE VERY THOUGHT OF THIS ABHORRENT PROPOSAL !!

WE ARE LUCKY THAT WE FIND OURSELVES IN MODERN TIMES BECAUSE THE CURRENT "CROP" OF LABOR POLITICIANS (AND I CRINGE TO CALL THEM LABOR) WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY HAVE BEEN <u>"PUBLICLY</u> <u>STONED"</u> BY NOW !!

I strongly urge this committee to exert any influence they have as a committee to reverse this repugnant decision!

Thank you for giving me the chance to have my say.