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**INQUIRY INTO THE PRIVATISATION OF PRISONS AND  
PRISON-RELATED SERVICES**

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Privatising of prisons is an abdication of Government responsibility. Private companies profit from government/tax payers money by cutting corners such as jobs, and a lowering of service. Standards are comprised and there is an avoidance of scrutiny. In this setting human rights abuses abound, as I know happened with ACM.

Privatising prisons is not worth it. In this climate Governments abroad are nationalising essential services back from the private sector.