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

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Dear Sirs/Madams

If the system is broken then fix it.

Replacing dysfunctional prisons with a system that has as its main aim being to make a profit out of those people in custody is indefensible.

I do not aim to support rorts that exist, but to defend the rights of people in custody. To a prison system that has as one of its primary aims, the rehabilitation of those in custody and for whom the rest of us, through the Department and the Parliament, accept responsibility.

The people of this state do not want privatized prisons established because those in the department responsible are not up to the task of managing the task before them.

Again I request that you fix the problem, and not shift the responsibility to private companies which are neither responsible to the electors or to those in custody. Please no cop-outs!