## INQUIRY INTO USE OF CANNABIS FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES

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To the Committee.

I wish to make a submission in this Enquiry regarding the efficacy of Medicinal Cannabis. Anecdotal, Scientific and Historical evidence exists to verify the efficacy of Cannabinoids (Cannabis) in the treatment of myriads of Medical, disorders.

Withholding medical treatment is tantamount to torture and murder. Globally Cannabis is acknowledged and accepted as a medical treatment.

18 States in America and 8 Countries currently have legislation for Medicinal Cannabis.'

3 States in Australia have decriminalized Cannabis.

The Internet per Medicinal Cannabis has all this information - my source.

I have used Cannabis (smoked or Vapped) to treat the symptoms of my Psychiatric Disorder (Manic Depression, Paranoid Schizophrenia and Anxiety, for the past 18 years. My last Hospital/Treatment was 16 years ago. Seaview Psychiatric Hospital - Hokitika - WESTLAND, NZ. I consider I also treat the symptoms of Menopause (cramps, hot sweats, mood swings) (8 years), even though it is illegal in NZ.

CANNABIS IS MEDICINE.