

Supplementary
Submission
No 4a

INQUIRY INTO FUNERAL INDUSTRY

Organisation:

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Theme:

Summary

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Dear Sir

I have just been made aware of the inquiry into the Funeral Industry by the Combined Pensioners Association. As a person of considerable age and without family, I am anxious to arrange my demise. As I only require for my remains to be taken to the Crematorium, I wanted a hardboard Coffin for this purpose.

Most of the Funeral Parlours I have checked out did not offer this type of coffin. Some of them quoted health reasons for not doing so. After checking with the Health Department, I was advised that the only criteria for using this material was that the lid be secured (I would have thought that to be the norm).

I would like to see this issue discussed at this particular inquiry, for it is important to many old people who are on their Own. Up to date, the cheapest quote I have received is \$3.800, and for all I require. I find this a little expensive.

Thanking you

Elizabeth Francis