

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

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I object to the privatisation of Parklea and Cessnock correctional facilities by the NSW State Government. I believe privatising these facilities will open staff and inmates up to breaches of safety, wages and conditions. As I have observed with privatisation of other public services, too many sacrifices are made for the profitability of the business. I do not believe that correctional facilities or any related services should be profitable businesses. Once in the hands of the private sector, quality of service and treatment of staff and inmates will surely deteriorate.