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

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I wish to lodge my objection to prisons being run for profit, to losing transparency and accountability.

Organisations which are run on a commercial basis are run to make a profit.

This can only be done by increasing revenue or cutting costs.

To cut costs an organisation first looks at running with minimal staff. In a prison this can only mean that the staff left, not to mention the inmates will be at a greater danger to injury or worse.

To increase revenue you will either request more from the sponsor (taxpayer) or get funds from other areas with who knows what expectations or considerations may be requested from new sponsors.

A prison can only be run as a government organisation to guarantee transparency of revenue, and accountability of actions to the government.