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**INQUIRY INTO HIGH LEVEL OF FIRST NATIONS
PEOPLE IN CUSTODY AND OVERSIGHT AND REVIEW OF
DEATHS IN CUSTODY**

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Why are Aboriginal teens under such over the top scrutiny for regular kid behaviour? The incident where a police officer kicked a teen while conducting an arrest made the news a lot but I bet there's so much else going on that doesn't get caught on camera. Please stop police profiling and attacking children, in general, but it's particularly egregious that Aboriginal kids are getting singled out for such mundane activities as hanging out with friends in public areas such as malls. Let them be kids! They're going through life having to learn far too early that the world is out to get them and act accordingly to protect themselves in a way white Aussies do not. I can't imagine white kids having to come to terms with the possibility they will be attacked by police for living their lives, or small teenage mistakes.