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I WISH TO MAKE COMMENT ON THE DESTRUCTIVE AMENDMENT THAT WERE MADE TO THE NATURE CONSERVATION ACT 1992 (NCACT) IN 2012 AND 2013 AND SUBSEQUENT VEGETATION LAWS AND HOPE DAMAGING AMENDMENTS WILL NEVER SEE THE LIGHT OF DAY AND WELCOME YOUR AMENDMENTS.

THE OBJECTIVE OF THE ACT SHOULD BE THE CONSERVATION OF NATURE IN SAYING THAT INCLUDING SECTION 17 OF THE NATURE CONSERVATION ACT AS AN ELECTION COMMITMENT OF THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT BY REINSTATING NATIONAL PARKS (RECOVERY) OR REDESIGNATION ALL AREARS CONSERVATION PARKS THE CARDINAL PRINCIPAL WILL BE KEPT IN PLACE AND WOULD GIVE ME SOME CONFIDENCE IN YOUR DIRECTION.

AREARS ALSO THAT WERE ABOLISHED SHOULD ALSO BE REINSTATED THAT IS WILDERNESS AREA, WORLD HERITAGE AREA, INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT AREA AND COORDINATED CONSERVATION AREA, THESE AREARS PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART OF PROTECTED AREARS BOTH HERE AND OTHER PARTS OF OUR PLANET WE LIVE ON AND ARE IN STEP WITH THE INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF NATURE (IUCN).

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I ALSO EXPRESS CONCERN THE TERM (ECOTOURISM FACILITY) INSERTED INTO SECTION 35(1)(A) OF THE NATURE CONSERVATION ACT IN 2013, HAVING THIS NOT REMOVED FROM LEGISLATION WILL ALLOW DEVELOPMENT OF TOURIST RESORTS INSIDE NATIONAL PARKS, ALLOWING THIS LEGISLATION TO OVERRIDE AGAIN THE CARDINAL PRINCIPLE OF WHICH ALMOST A CENTURY OF PARK MANAGEMENT IN QUEENSLAND TOURIST PARKS SHOULD BE BUILT ON PRIVATE LAND NOT IN NATIONAL PARKS.

I WISH THE COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER THE ABOVE AND WOULD WELCOME YOUR AMENDMENTS TO THE BILL CALLED THE NATURE CONSERVATION AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2015.

YOURS QUITE SINCERELY



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