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Health, Communities, Disability Services & Domestic & Family Violence Prevention Committee Parliament House George Street Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Committee

RE: ABORTION LAW REFORM (WOMEN'S RIGHT TO CHOOSE) AMENDMENT BILL 2016

In my 20s living as an expat in P.N.G. my girlfriend became pregnant and flew to Australia for an abortion. On her return and I quote "You can now get away with murder". I had to agree with her.

I am strongly opposed to the Bill introduced by Rob Pyne MP. Decriminalising abortion has increased abortions worldwide and this is very evident in Victoria since the 2008 Bill passed. Abortion is now a means of contraception with the extermination of an unwanted child. The extreme wording of this Bill – **no limits on gestation** is a sad reflection on humanity's way of caring for the unborn.

As with many countries we have an ageing population with limited births. Japan is one I can cite and without going into a book of other countries in the same situation. You already know the outcome of limited replacement of people.

Everyone has the Right to Life. In the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Convention on the Rights of the Child "The child by reason of his physical mental immaturity, needs special safeguards & care including appropriate legal protection before as well as after birth.

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Yours faithfully

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