From:

To: Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee

Subject: Dangerous Devices Bill

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Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee

Dear Members,

With regards to the Offences and Other Legislation Amendments Bill 2019, I wish to state my opposition to this legislation.

This bill is just another nail in the coffin of our civil liberties, bit by bit we are losing our freedoms.

Where are the facts that these lock on device are some sort of dangerous booby trap, set to maim or kill others in the near vicinity. These devices are a legitimate means of stopping for example plant and equipment from being used, when there is ongoing disagreement and debate on issues that citizens feel they must act on. Whether police and enforcement agencies find these devices hard to remove is irrelevant. That is their job to deal with an event as it is presented to them. These devices are not designed to kill like a gun or other weapon. They are simply a tool used by citizens, in an act of desperation, on an issue they feel passionate about.

This legislation is nothing more than the erosion of our civil liberties.

Yours sincerely

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