

## APPENDIX 2

### WITNESSES WHO APPEARED BEFORE THE COMMITTEE AT PUBLIC HEARINGS

*Monday, 30 March 2009*

*St James Court Conference Centre, West Melbourne*

#### **Committee Members in attendance**

Senator Claire Moore (Chair)  
 Senator Rachel Siewert (Deputy Chair)  
 Senator Catryna Bilyk  
 Senator Sarah Hanson-Young  
 Senator Gary Humphries

#### **Witnesses**

**Ms Angela Sdrinis, Ryan Carlisle Thomas Lawyers**

**Mr Frank Golding, National Vice-President of Care Leavers of Australia Network (CLAN)**

#### **Alfred Felton Research Program**

Professor Cathy Humphreys, Alfred Felton Chair of Child and Family Welfare  
 Professor Shurlee Swain, Honours/postgraduate co-ordinator, School of Arts and Sciences (Vic), Australian Catholic University  
 Mr Gavan McCarthy, Director, University of Melbourne eScholarship Research Centre  
 Ms Rachel Tropea, Archivist, eScholarship Research Centre, University of Melbourne

#### **Centre for Excellence in Child and Family Welfare**

Ms Coleen Clare, Chief Executive Officer

#### **Wings for Survivors**

Ms Deborah Findlay, Member  
 Ms Michele Greaves, Member  
 Mr Mark Kelly, Member  
 Ms Susan Treweek, Member

#### **Broken Rites (Australia) Collective Inc**

Dr Wayne Chamley, Treasurer

#### **Alliance for Forgotten Australians**

Ms Caroline Carroll, Chair

**Vanish Inc**

Ms Maureen Cleary, Manager

***Tuesday, 31 March 2009***

***The Marque Hotel, Perth***

**Committee Members in attendance**

Senator Claire Moore (Chair)

Senator Rachel Siewert (Deputy Chair)

Senator Gary Humphries

**Witnesses**

**CBERS Consultancy**

Dr Philippa White, Coordinator

Dr Deborah Rosser, Consultant

**Mr Andrew Murray, former Senator**

**Alliance for Forgotten Australians**

Associate Professor Maria Harries, Associate Member and private capacity

Mr Laurie Humphreys, Representative

**Western Australian Department for Communities**

Ms Stephanie Withers, Executive Director, Redress WA

Dr Marilyn Rock, Senior Redress Officer, Redress WA

Ms Eileen O'Reilly, Senior Redress Officer, Redress WA

Mr Peter Bayman, Senior Legal Officer

***Monday, 6 April 2009***

***The Greek Club and Conference Centre, South Brisbane***

**Committee Members in attendance**

Senator Claire Moore (Chair)

Senator Sue Boyce

Senator Mark Furner

Senator Gary Humphries

**Witnesses**

**Forde Foundation Board of Advice**

Mr Terry Sullivan, Former Chair

Mr Errol Evans, Deputy Chair

**Historical Abuse Network (HAN)**

Ms Grace Hegarty

Ms Gloria Lovely

Ms Colleen Stevenson

Ms Lana Syed-Wassdorp

Ms Diane Tronc

Ms Karen Walsh

**Esther Centre**

Ms Karyn Walsh, Coordinator

**Aftercare Resource Centre, Relationships Australia**

Ms Rebecca Ketton, Manager

Ms Susan Kelly, Counsellor

Mr Barry Walton, Director of State Funded Programs

**Mr Jim Luthy****Mr Wayne Bradwell****Ms Sue Treweek****Mr Michael Collins****Queensland Government, Department of Communities**

Mr Mark Francis, Executive Director

Ms Robyn Etherington, Forde Officer

*Short personal statements were provided by:*

Ms Lee Ekeberg

Mrs Lana Syed-Waasdorp

Ms Diane Tronc

Ms Marlene Wilson

*The hearing concluded with a song performed by Ms Jacinta Burr*

***Tuesday, 7 April 2009***

***Bankstown Sports and Event Centre, Bankstown***

**Committee Members in attendance**

Senator Claire Moore (Chair)

Senator Don Farrell

Senator Mitch Fifield

**Witnesses**

**Positive Justice Centre**

Mr John Murray, Founding Member

**The Healing Way for Forgotten Australians**

Ms Mary Brownlee, Founding Member

Mr Lawrie Higgins, Founding Member

*Round table session:*

**Association of Child Welfare Agencies**

Mr Andrew McCallum, Chairman

**Benevolent Society**

Ms Annette Michaux, General Manager Social Policy and Research

Ms Janet Henegan, Manager, Post Adoption Resource Centre

**United Protestant Association of NSW**

Mr Graham Hercus, Aftercare Support

**Barnardos Australia**

Mr Bill Hoyles, Senior Manager, Youth Affairs and Aftercare

**The Fairbridge Foundation**

Mr John Kennedy, Chairman of Council

**Care Leavers of Australia Network (CLAN)**

Ms Leonie Sheedy, President

Dr Joanna Penglase, Co-founder

**Aftercare Resource Centre (ARC)**

Ms Wendy Scollay, Coordinator

Ms Julie Holt, Counsellor

**Catholic Social Services Australia**

Mr Frank Quinlan, Executive Director

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**New South Wales Government**

Ms Linda Mallett, A/Deputy Director-General, Department of Community Services

Ms Danielle Woolley, Director, Out-of-Home Care Policy, Department of Community Services

*Wednesday, 8 April 2009*

*Parliament House, Canberra*

**Committee Members in attendance**

Senator Claire Moore (Chair)

Senator Sue Boyce

Senator Gary Humphries

**Witnesses****The International Association of Former Child Migrants And Their Families**

Mr Norman Johnston, President

Mr Harold Haig, Secretary

**Child Migrants Trust**

Ms Margaret Humphreys OAM, International Director

Mr Ian Thwaites, Service Manager

**Mr Ted Mullighan QC, Former South Australian Commissioner of Inquiry**  
*(via teleconference)*

**South Australian Government (via teleconference)**

Mr Steve Ramsey, Executive Director, Families SA

Ms Julie Petersen, Manager, Policy and Strategy, Guardianship and Alternative Care Directorate, Department for Families and Communities

**Department of Immigration and Citizenship**

Mr Peter Templeton, Assistant Secretary, Settlement Branch

Ms Sophie Montgomery, Director, Settlement Planning and Information

**Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs**

Ms Cate McKenzie, Group Manager, Women and Children's Policy

Ms Allyson Essex, Branch Manager

**Tasmanian Government (via teleconference)**

Ms Alison Jacob, Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services

Ms Leica Wagner, Manager Abuse of Children in State Care

Ms Una Hobday, Manager, Adoption & Permanency Services

**VISITS BY THE COMMITTEE*****VISIT TO LOTUS PLACE, Brisbane******Monday, 6 April 2009***

The Committee visited Lotus Place which provides a drop in centre and houses HAN, the Esther Centre, ARC and the Forde Foundation Board of Advice in the one premises.

***VISIT TO CLAN OFFICE, Sydney******Tuesday, 7 April 2009***

The Committee visited the CLAN office in Chapel Road, Bankstown, and inspected the National Orphanage Museum and CLAN Library.