

We are writing as members of the Australian Labor party to express our strong disagreement with the present legislation.

It is not based on genuine consultation with the communities in the Northern Territory.

It does not seem to take into account the cultures of the people whom it will affect.

The Bill needs to be recast to acknowledge the land, language and culture of the various communities involved in the legislation.

It must be based on real consultation with all members of these communities.

There can be no traces left of the Interventionist approach which was the motivation for the previous legislation.

Yours sincerely

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