

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Dear Sir,

I am writing in support of the majority of Australians to condemn the ongoing Indigenous intervention and the plans to extend it.

I am non Indigenous and my wife is Indigenous. To us, having come from the Kimberleys, the intervention is very objectionable and strikes at the core of human rights and dignity. It is wrong though well intended. These already disadvantaged Indigenous people need to have the same liberties as the rest of the population to be able to manage their own communities without these external colonial dictatorships.

I ask that these regulations be removed completely and the communities are freely and independently able to choose to keep or discard all of the attempts at social change that have been imposed upon their lives. We fear for our children and have not been heard in the debate.

Yours faithfully,

Tony Riches