

Dear Senate Enquiry:

Please Sir / Madam,

We need to resolve this dispute between the APS and Defence. I have had no pay increases in almost 3 years and myself, my colleagues and my family are DESPERATE.

We cannot plan forward in our lives with the situation hanging like this. It simply needs to be resolved. And the fact is, it can be resolved so simply with an honest and decent pay offer (which is not what we are currently being "offered").

I must honestly say that I do not understand why we are being insulted with an offer below the rest of the country and the CPI. When we work very hard for the government and Australian Public.

And no, we will not accept the pay cut as has been offered so far (3/2/1% when the CPI is 2-3% pa.) Please do not try to reduce our pay. We do not get paid very much at all. We are not rich. I earn less than 60000 per year and live in Sydney CBD. I am honestly now having trouble affording food, transport and Accommodation.

I now do not know where I will be able to live. I am behind in rent and looking at eviction.

Please Please Please - I cannot afford the cost of living right now, and you want to give us a below CPI increase ? Please don't do that to us. We work very hard for you.

Please consider this submission and provide a decent offer for our DECA that we have been trying to politely resolve with you for almost 3 years now.

Sincerely

Evan

Mr Evan Matthews
Health Admin Clerk
Kuttabul Health Centre,