

Dear Sir/Madam,

Various governments world wide have proven that punitive measures do not work and this intervention smells and reeks of directed racism against first nations peoples of this country. Aboriginal people since colonisation have been subjected to some of the most inhuman practices of various governments both Federal and State. It is time for the Australian governments to shake off the Billy Hughes shackles of a white australia and move to a nation of people whose strength and foundation is one based on its recognition of first nations peoples. And that is that it recognises the failure of its past policies including the intervention and structures a process that accords with the basic human rights enjoyed by other Australians - without exception.

The legislation is discriminatory and divisive and the Federal government should stop the brazen lying and treachery and admit that it is about Aboriginal country and extracting wealth from that country without due and lawful regard. The Australian government and its lawyers should be ashamed - pox on all your houses for your actions.

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