

Dear Senators,

As Territorians, we're sick of amoral federal government interference in our affairs.

Whether you bamboozle local elders or bribe them with prospects of education and health finances that should otherwise be paid for by governments, you are still doing the wrong thing.

How many times is the NT supposed to suffer because greedy federal governments of both sides of the fence take liberties here BECAUSE THEY CAN!!

WE DONT WANT OR NEED A NUCLEAR WASTE DUMP!! Can we make it clearer than that.

WE DON'T WANT A NUCLEAR WASTE DUMP!

Nobody wants one - not even the people of your respective states and the other territory (which is, after all, closer to where Australia's 'low-level' nuclear waste presently resides).

We don't think Australia is obligated to take back nuclear waste at any level. Nobody is or was forced to buy our Uranium. It's sold to the highest bidder by market rules. What are you trying to do - make it invisible along with the invisible hand of Capitalism? If other countries consider nuclear energy safe enough to use then their governments should convince their voters that it's discards are safe enough to store - where it is used. What about the hype of the new generation of fast breeders also being able to feed on spent fuel? Why would anyone want to get rid of such a valuable asset if it can do that? Or don't YOU believe it either?

We certainly don't want to be the open receptacle for other countries' nuclear waste. We love and respect NT Country and don't consider Country to be wasteland as the biblically-oriented federal government obviously does.

And.. we still remember the Rainbow Warrior affair. We can trust the French government to keep their affairs to themselves after they dump their rubbish onto us as far as we can throw a French intelligence officer - or two.

We won't be voting for Wazza if he feels he must toe the party line on this conscience issue.

Respectfully,

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