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The Hon Alexander Somlyay, MP PO Box 351 COOLUM BEACH QLD 4573

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Dear Mr Somlyay

I read with interest that Tony Morris QC had made a submission to your committee, namely The Joint Standing Committee on Health and Ageing,

Some of the conclusions of Mr Morris as reported in the Australian, Monday 8th September 2005 are remarkably similar to those reached by the Australian Doctors' Fund in our recent research into public hospitals.

I therefore enclose a copy of our submission, "Towards a More Positive Future for Australian Public Hospitals".

This submission relies on the combined expertise of our ADF committee and its 16 years of experience in public hospital policy issues.

We submit it in the hope that improvements can be made to restore our public hospitals to the once great community institutions they were.

Regards

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