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Committee Secretary Inquiry into Better Support for Carers House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth PO Box 6021 Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Secretary

I wish to make a submission to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth's Inquiry into Better Support for Carers.

As a Carer, I feel that my role is

Important, as ongoing care is required by me for my wife, financially, and morally, as now we are getting older, remember we have paid taxes for many years when younger and now in our older age, comfort and less stress are paramount.

I face the following problems ...

Better hospital care, last week we had to wait 3 hours to see a doctor at our local hospital and as he was asian , did not understand , anything about our problem. Better education about certain illnesses for foreign doctors

I need help with ...

Basic running costs for the household

I think the Government can better help Carers by ...

Helping them to enjoy life without the stress of financial problems, giving more benefits so that both the carer & caree can occassionally enjoy a brief holiday with each other Maybe the Govt could supply carers with a petrol voucher to assist them with transportation costs.

Thank you for taking my views into consideration as part of the Committee's Inquiry. I look forward to reviewing any recommendations you make to improve life for Carers in Australia.

Yours sincerely

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