

From: across action network
Sent: Tuesday, 7 August 2007 11:47 AM
To: Barnett, Guy (Senator)
Subject: Email from Tim Tabart

Dear G. Barnett,

I, like other Australians, am deeply concerned about the long standing issues of child abuse of Aboriginal children in the Northern Territory and I urge you to support appropriate actions to protect children.

When Parliament considers legislation to protect children in the Northern Territory I urge you to ensure that the Government consults with Aboriginal communities and develops plans for working together. I also ask that you support the expansion of programs that have already been proven to work, and ensure that the hard fought land rights of Indigenous people remain in place.

I will be monitoring the outcomes to ensure that the interventions that are implemented effectively protect children through strengthening communities, funding services like housing, child protection, schools, family services, no arbitrary removal of cash payments, health services and alcohol and drug rehab programs and that the deplorable living conditions of Aboriginal people are finally tackled in an urgent and comprehensive manner.

Kind Regards,
Tim Tabart

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