

TO THE HONORABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This petition of certain citizens of Australia

draws to the attention of the House:

the discriminating effects of the Northern Territory Emergency Response. As it is currently configured and being carried out, the Emergency Response is incompatible with Australia's obligations under

- The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and
- The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

treaties to which Australia is a party, as well as incompatible with

- The Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

to which Australia has affirmed its support.

We therefore ask the House to:

- **Reinstate urgently the protections of the Racial Discrimination Act in regard to the Indigenous people of the Northern Territory and**
- **Consult widely with them about effective measures which respect the rights of Indigenous people and are free of racial discrimination.**