

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 concern expressed in the 2010 Report of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination at the continuing gap between Indigenous and non- Indigenous Australians, despite the Federal Government's expressed support for 'Closing the Gap' on Indigenous disadvantage. the lack of a long term National Action Plan, which is a key commitment of the Close the Gap Statement of Intent that the Federal Government has signed.

We therefore ask the House to:

- **Commit to the bi-partisan development of a long term National Action Plan to Close the Gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians**
- **Address in that National Action Plan all the key contributors to the large disparity in health, well-being and quality of life between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.**