

2016 06 08 Refugee Action Collective Media alert:

**Peak hour footpath protest outside Peter Dutton's electoral office**

**The report "Protection Denied, Abuse Condoned: Women on Nauru at Risk" to be delivered.**

The Refugee Action Collective will be holding a peak hour protest outside Peter Dutton's electoral office at Strathpine on Thursday 9th June from 7am to 9am.

Motorist will be urged to honk in support of refugee rights and for the immediate closure of the Nauru and Manus Island detention centres.

At the end of the protest the report "Protection Denied, Abuse Condoned: Women on Nauru at Risk" will be delivered to the minister's office along with a letter demanding action.

Five very prominent and credible Australian women acting under the banner, Women in Support of Women on Nauru, authored the report and it can be found at:  
<http://www.awswn.org/>

"The report shows just how endemic the problem of sexual abuse on Nauru is but also how complicit the Australian government is in it," said Amanda McNulty from the Refugee Action Collective.

"Not only did the government create the conditions where systemic abuse could take place, they failed to act on reports of abuse and instead used evasion and misinformation to deflect criticism. The Moss review, for example, was only established seventeen months after abuse was first reported. When they finally acted they attempted to muddy the waters by simultaneously but falsely accusing 10 Save the Children workers of encouraging self harm and fabricating stories."

More recent case studies in the report show the government continues to turn a blind eye to the problems on Nauru.

"This report shows why Nauru is not safe for asylum seekers or refugees and why they should all be immediately brought to Australia" said Amanda McNulty.

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