

End the Torment

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Brisbane is both the arrival and departure point for offshore detention industry workers and the growing number of sick refugees and asylum seekers who require complex and emergency medical treatment. Workers' families and friends undoubtedly hear witness accounts of unsafe and demoralising living conditions for men women and children sent there by successive Governments. Social media punches holes in the official blanket of operational secrecy.

The latest gut wrenching report "Protection Denied, Abuse Condoned: Women on Nauru at Risk" fully and credibly documents the horror of our asylum seeker deterrence policy. It leaves no room for doubt. We, the people of Australia are better than this and the persecution and torment of people abandoned on Nauru and also on Manus Island (PNG) for over three long years of deprivation must end.

It is damaging all of us.

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