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To: Joint Select Committee on End of Life Choices <eolcc@parliament.wa.gov.au>

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Dear Dr Jeannine Purdy,

When conducting your enquiry into End Of Life Choices, I urge you to consider the findings of Andrew Denton's comprehensive research into the Dutch VE laws.

The Dutch VE laws have developed over a very long period, with all the safeguards in place to eliminate malpractice.

My personal reason for supporting VE stem from my experience with the deaths of my father and sister. Both had severe cancer and suffered greatly for a prolonged period. Both wished that there was a way to step out of life at a time of their choosing. Also for myself and my children this was an extremely depressing time.

This prompted me to become a member of Exit International (of Philip Nitschke's fame) I feel it is high time for the laws in Australia to change to allow for VE.

Kind regards

Paul Ruys