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All around the world and especially in the war torn areas of the Middle East people of all ages from infants are dying due to violence from different groups of terrorists. Death penalties are also part of many countries criminal punishment.

Australia has been proud to state that the death penalty has been abolished the last being in 1967, we only have life imprisonment.

What Penalty is this then on records if not Death

Abortions 80,000 + per year supported by Medicare

Full term 26 botched abortion, babies born alive and left to die.

Now the Death Penalty called Euthanasia is being pushed into parliament for the disabled before and after birth and all those who are chronically sick, terminal, disabled and the elderly. Is this what the Government is here for, to kill off all the vulnerable people, as they seem a burden to the Government's finances.

The Governing bodies have no right to determine who dies and who lives. Those who exercise authority should do so as a service. "Whoever would be great among you must be your servant". The exercise of authority is measured morally in terms of its divine origin, its reasonable nature and specific object. No one can command or establish what is contrary to the dignity of persons and the natural law.

Political authorities are obliged to respect the fundamental rights of the human person. Dispense justice humanely by respecting the rights of everyone, especially of families and the disadvantaged.

Instead of trying to kill off the vulnerable do any one of you know about Palliative Care? Why does the Government not have a good healthy budget for Palliative Care like New South Wales recently released?

Why has the funding and promotion of Palliative care not been mentioned? The Hippocratic Oath held sacred by physicians' states: to treat the ill to the best of one's ability ... to neither give a deadly drug to anybody who asked for it, nor to make a suggestion to this effect ... and to not give to a woman an abortive remedy

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It is a complex and delicate issue, but if the Medical Profession does not promote life until natural death are we going to end up like the European country that euthanizes children with disabilities.

The gradual process to die with dignity with Palliative care is not only an ethical request but it gives the terminal time to accept, reconcile, be surrounded by loving family and medical personal at that end stage and die in peace.

Euthanasia has no concern or time for acceptance, dignity, reconciliation and ability to back out of, as a friend once watched another friend pleading while the daughter stood by and said 'come on get it over with'. **MURDER!**

We are already losing our future medical professionals at early months and sometimes later term abortions; who will uphold **LIFE** when you come to that most serene and reverent moment in your lives? Please bring up the issue of Euthanasia with the politicians so we elderly can die with Palliative care and dignity.

When you are in one of the above vulnerable positions, after you have matured with gentleness and compassion in your later years hope you will be able to die with dignity with all your families present, and not receive the Death Penalty which you began.

Hoping and praying for a positive support from the Government, and may God bless all you endeavours. Thanks for your time.

Yours sincerely,

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