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Fact Sheet No 1 – Why Is Abuse In The Australian Defence Force So Heinous?

Abuse in the Australian Defence Force is the worst form of Human Rights abuse in Australia for the following reasons:-

1. Australia is a founding member of the United Nations and bound by its Human Rights Provisions from the start.
2. Whilst the Australian Governments does not have full control over the Catholic Church, Anglican Church and other organisations, it does have full control over the:-
 - a. Royal Australian Navy
 - b. Australian Army and
 - c. The Royal Australian Air Force

The Australian Government and Parliament passed :-

- i. Statutes banning abuse
- ii. Regulations banning abuse
- iii. Defence Instructions banning abuse

Yet the abuse continued and the various services persistently and consistently misled the relevant Ministers, Parliament and the Australian Public.

3. Abuse in the Royal Australian Navy, Australian Army and the Royal Australian Air Force is more heinous.

Abuse in these services is actually torture as per the international convention on Torture.

“For the purposes of this Convention, torture means any act by which severe pain or suffering, whether physical or mental, is intentionally inflicted on a person for such purposes as obtaining from him or a third person information or a confession, punishing him for an act he or a third person has committed or is suspected of having committed, or intimidating or coercing him or a third person, or for any reason based on discrimination of any kind, when such pain or suffering is inflicted by or at the

instigation of or with the consent or acquiescence of a public official or other person acting in an official capacity. It does not include pain or suffering arising only from, inherent in or incidental to lawful sanctions.”

4. The torture committed against the victims is perpetrated by those who were Government Officials, be it peers or seniors – all held government official positions.

As Government Officials they are obliged to uphold the laws and Regulations but chose instead to inflict the torture and to cover it .

Furthermore, unlike the Private Organisations they misuse the Australian Legal System to perpetrate and cover up the abuse.

1.0 More Information

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The Australian Defence Force And Abuse:-

"It was Hubris that made Angels into Devils.

It is obstinacy that keeps them in Hell"