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The Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia

House of Representatives / The Senate

REF: Communications Legislation Amendment (Combatting Misinformation and Disinformation) Bill 2023 – Exposure Draft

I do **NOT AGREE** to the proposed draft bill to limit free speech, free thought or to allow the government to decide what is misinformation, disinformation or fake news or what online platforms may communicate to the Australian public.

The ACMA (Australian Communications and Media Authority) has a duty of care to the Australian people to always provide true and factual information, however it is my understanding that they do not provide truthful and honest factual information in regard to the health and safety of media communications and the systems by which they are delivered. Giving the government, through the ACMA, the power to decide what is correct information is giving power to a misguided and devious agency.

My expertise lies in the field of Electromagnetic Field (EMF) and Electromagnetic Radiation (EMR) Testing and the resulting health effects, and I am concerned that the truth about EMF and EMR and many other issues affecting the health, livelihood and safety of the people of Australia would be silenced if this bill were to be adopted into the Australian Parliament and made law. This would be a travesty of justice of enormous proportions.

We, being the people affected by unnaturally high levels of electromagnetic radiation in the form of wireless radiation known as Wi-Fi and radiofrequency radiation from telephone radiocommunications towers, are already subject to high levels of radiation, causing health effects that are devastating. The government has already failed to protect the most vulnerable, our children and those with immune compromised conditions from the rollout of more technology in the form of smart devices and more radiofrequencies on the radiofrequency spectrum. Those that are affected by bioaccumulation of radio frequencies like me, are not supported or acknowledged in any form even though we are greatly affected and have lost our freedom to live a normal life. Losing the ability to communicate the truth about this problem along with many other problems or issues that the government wants covered up would give them total control and remove the ability for people to

have a voice to present the truth. This is just one example of the government not supporting the people, instead they support the telecommunications industry at enormous cost to the people.

I definitely do not agree or consent to allowing the government to gain the power to decide what is 'misinformation'.

All sides of a situation, or position must be allowed to be aired on public platforms without discrimination by government agencies or appointed authorities or allowing government self-appointed (so called) experts that end up being the only spokesperson on a matter.

This Communications Legislation Amendment (Combatting Misinformation and Disinformation) Bill 2023 is not a solution to misinformation, fake news or misleading and deceptive information online, it is a way to silence those that wish to present the truth.

I do not consent to this bill being passed into law.

Yours faithfully,

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EXAMPLES and LINKS that expose the FACT that the government does not do its due diligence on the matter of informing the public of the dangers of EMF and EMR but instead provides misinformation and disinformation on this matter.

https://www.orsaa.org/ Oceanic Radiofrequency Safety Advisory Association

<u>https://ehtrust.org/science/</u> Environmental Health Trust – Science to Protect Health & Environment

https://www.es-uk.info/ Electrosensitivity UK. Help for those that have become sensitive to mobile and cordless phones, telephone masts, Wi-Fi and a multitude of common everyday electrical appliances.

https://bioinitiative.org/ BioInitiative Report 2012. A Rationale for Biologically-based Public Exposure Standards for Electromagnetic Fields (ELF) and Radio Frequencies (RF)