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The Hon Peter Dutton MP
Leader of the Federal Opposition
House of Representatives
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Peter Dutton
I enclose a copy of CNI letter addressed to the Prime Minister today urging him to implement Federal legislation to abolish the ACT legislation which dispossesses Calvary Public Hospital of its property rights.

Media reports indicate that the Prime Minister supports the ACT Government's action in taking over the Catholic run Calvary Public Hospital. This is an extraordinarily wrong attitude of a Prime Minister as the ACT legislation amounts to banning freedom of religion and authorises theft of the property entitlement of the Calvary Public Hospital.

This action by the ACT Government, if it is not stopped, sets a very dangerous precedent for States and Territories to take similar action when it suits them.

We urge you to liaise with the National Party leader, Mr Littleproud and the Independent Members of Parliament, to mount and pursue a major pressure campaign to force the Prime Minister to introduce legislation to abolish this ACT legislation. This must be done before the 3 July 2023.

If the Prime Minister will not yield immediately, please prepare and introduce legislation to the Parliament to achieve this objective.

There is a very large percentage of the voting population who would support such action.

We look forward to your favourable response, please.

Sincerely

Denis J Whiteley

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