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Joint NGO Submission on behalf of the Australian NGO Coalition

APRIL 2020

This Joint NGO Submission is endorsed, in whole or in part, by 202 NGOs across Australia.

The submission was coordinated by the Human Rights Law Centre, the Kingsford Legal Centre and the Caxton Legal Centre, working with an Advisory Group comprised of 16 NGOs, which provided expert guidance on the content and focus of the submission.

The sections in the submission were developed by 21 expert and recognised NGOs, working with 36 other diverse NGOs. Particular attention was taken to ensure intersectionality across the sections, reflecting the compounding nature of discrimination and disadvantage in Australia, and the direct participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and their organisations.

This submission was finalised in April 2020, at a time when the COVID-19 pandemic was sweeping Australia and the world, resulting in delays in UN Universal Periodic Review processes. This submission was therefore submitted in July 2020 and an annexure included (Annexure C) that addresses COVID-19 and human rights developments in Australia between April and July 2020.

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