

# CLAIM AGAINST THE COMMONWEALTH

17 August 2017

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*Mathias Cormann*  
17 August 2017

**Dear Prime Minister Turnbull and Minister Cormann**

## **The Claim Against the Commonwealth for Negligent/Unreasonable Conduct.**

I refer to my submission dated 8 May 2017, the revised FOI Request dated 12 May 2017 and the Notice of Revised Interest Claim dated 31 July 2017.

The cover-up of our matters with the loss of our home and superannuation due to the risk of exposure of the paedophile activities engaged in by the former Minister for Communications Senator Bob Collins are well set out.

The purpose of this letter arises out of the injustice experienced by my family and the recent findings by the **Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and the cover-up of the paedophile activities by the former Minister for Communications Senator Bob Collins.**

As you are aware the Negligence/Unreasonable Conduct claim against the Commonwealth dated December 2013/January 2014 arose out of information provided by the former Chairman of Deloitte Wayne Goss and others. The information provided by Wayne Goss concerned his personal knowledge of the cover-up by the then Minister for Communications Senator Bob Collins of the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network Infrastructure problems, phone hacking and paedophilia.

The Minister, Senator Bob Collins motivation in December 1993, when the Regulator AUSTEL uncovered evidence of phone hacking, was to conceal the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network Infrastructure problems and phone hacking, the expose of which could expose his personal conduct involving the rapé of young defenceless aboriginal youth in Parliament House and other places including his home. Subsequent to the discovery by AUSTEL of the secret Telstra Report containing evidence of the hacking of our conversations by Telstra was uncovered on 20 December 1993, Prime Minister Paul Keating removed Bob Collins as Minister for Communications ten days later, being 30 December 1993.

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Wayne Goss said it has been established that the Government had a direct involvement and a high level politically motivated interest in covering up Senator Collins misconduct despite the fact that as a consequence he was permitted to continue to engage unrestrained in the rape and sodomy of young defenceless aboriginal youth.

**These matters are well laid out for you in regard to the cancellation of the Commonwealth's commitment for settlement of our claims due to the risk to the Government by the exposure of the despicable acts of paedophilia by Bob Collins associated with the expose by the Regulator AUSTEL of the cover-up of the hacking of our phone conversations by Bob Collins as Minister for Communications. On 18 November 1993 when the Minister Bob Collins personally contacted me and promised settlement of all claims against Telstra within three to six months or sooner if I immediately withdrew my support for a Senate Inquiry into Telstra, the commitment was endorsed by the Opposition Spokesperson on Communications, Senator Richard Alston and Senator Boswell.**

And indeed, Wayne Goss was proven to be correct not only by the evidence he provided but on further research and advice provided by others.

These matters including my personal conversations and direct involvement at the time with the Communications Minister Bob Collins are well documented. It soon became apparent that Bob Collins only focus was to cover up the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network infrastructure problems including the copper wire Customer Access Network (CAN) problems. An orchestrated cover-up whilst pressuring me to gain access to the porno videos he might be able to obtain from one of the other businesses effected by the Fortitude Valley Exchange problems, this being the sex shop at Lutwyche known as Lady Lace.

**As Goss said in defence of Deloitte and Warwick Parer's actions in improperly covering up the Fortitude Valley problems (Goss's interpretation) by undervaluing the Tivoli Restaurant and Theatre to the tune of over \$2million, was to allege the Tivoli was overvalued and therefore not a viable business, whilst the Government turned a blind eye to Collins paedophilia as long as the cover-up was concealed.**

Goss said at least four of Collins victims were paid a pittance of compensation in the hope that they would remain silent, he was aware there were simply dozens more victims. Goss said Politicians from all parties were involved in the cover-up, hence the offer of a State Funeral by the Howard Government. To support this, he pointed to one of the Newspaper articles he gave me, the article dated 26 September 2007 relayed accounts of sexual rape by Collins going back to before he was elected to the Parliament followed by another article which revealed the ongoing sexual abuse of young victims in the confines of Parliament House. Goss also identified the article by Andrew Bolt on 26 September 2007 *"Mad, I know: a state funeral for a paedophile"*

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*Wayne Goss*  
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## “Actor adds accusation

THE actor Tom E. Lewis met Bob Collins at Darwin's Kormilda College. Collins was a housemaster and Lewis, who was destined to achieve national fame as the lead in Fred Schepisi's 1978 film *The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith*, met him outside Woolworths after he ceased to be a student at the school. Lewis was 13 or 14.

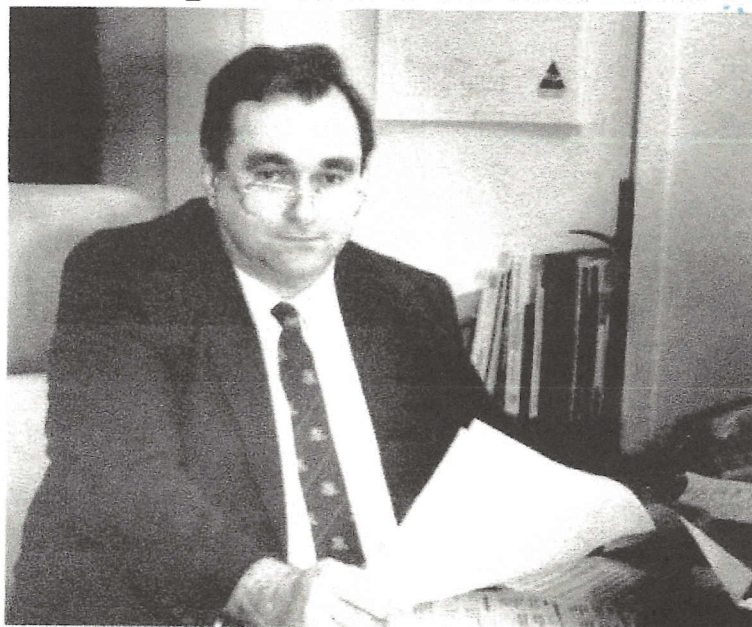
"He was in this little, like a Datsun," Lewis told *The Bulletin* . . . "He say, 'Hey, hello Tom ... You want a job? Ten dollars an hour.'"

Lewis went with Collins to his home. "He said, 'You want to have a shower and put on a sarong?' . . . This bloke don't want work; he's into something else. And it's dark outside. And thing is, he'll kill you if you run away in the dark. As I'm getting [un]dressed, he got me, I'm down in my underwear. And then he took me to the bedroom. He humbugged me there [had sex] ...

And then I saw the photo albums. Two of them ... all the boys ... Always in sarongs ... All kind - whitefella, blackfella ... All was with a sarong."

One of the other articles Goss identified to support his advice that the “shit hit the fan” when the hacking of our phone conversations by Telstra was uncovered by AUSTEL on 20 December 1993, identified Collins was raping young victims in his Senate Office in Parliament House as confirmed by the following article in the Sydney Morning Herald:

## “Minister raped me in his Parliament office



"I was scared not to do as Mr Collins asked me" ... Bob Collins at work in his parliamentary office in Canberra in 1992.

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Damien Murphy  
September 26, 2007

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A MAN has told how the late Labor minister Bob Collins raped him when he was a 12-year-old, while watching pornographic videos in his Senate office.

Ben Helwend has told the *Herald* that Collins was a friend of his family in Darwin and offered to pay for his journey to Canberra in 1989 so he could learn about the workings of democracy.

"Over a period of four days in Canberra he penetrated me, masturbated me and had me [perform oral sex]," Mr Helwend, 30, said. "I was just 12. I didn't know anything about sex and I was scared not to do as Mr Collins asked me because I played with his kids and my mum and dad were friends of the Collins family."

The Federal Government has granted Collins, 61, a state funeral in Darwin this Saturday following his death last Friday - just three days before he was due to face a committal hearing in Darwin on child sex offences against another three boys in the western Arnhem Land township of Maningrida some 30 years ago. The charges were dropped on Monday, but now there are claims Collins committed suicide to avoid the humiliation of being prosecuted.

Collins was also charged in Canberra last September with two counts of committing acts of indecency on Mr Helwend and one count of sexual intercourse with the child in the capital when he was a senator in September 1989. Mr Helwend said last night his lawyer had told him those charges had also been dropped.

He has come forward as *The Bulletin*, published today, details allegations by the Aboriginal actor Tom E. Lewis of being sexually assaulted by Collins.

"It's caused a lot of bitterness, and twistedness in my spirit," Lewis tells the magazine. "I've been beaten, flogged, you name it, when I was a kid. I can forgive those people. I've been ripped and called a f---in' whitefella in a black community. Everything. I can still forgive those people. I've got no room to forgive this Collins. Bullshit. [If] black people rape everybody and anybody who do anything like that, they have their name splattered everywhere."

Collins is being afforded a state funeral on the grounds of protocol, as he was the Northern Territory's first federal cabinet minister.

The journalist Paul Toohey, who wrote the *Bulletin* story, said the former senator had not died of cancer, as was widely reported. Rather, the NT coroner was planning to investigate whether he killed himself on the eve of his case.

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The magazine also quoted an unidentified former Darwin woman saying her former husband had been abused by Collins. The woman had appeared before the NSW Wood royal commission on police corruption, which also investigated police-related pedophile activity, and named Collins in a closed session. Her complaint had gone nowhere."

### Video Evidence

Prime Minister Turnbull and Minister Cormann, I have provided you with computer stick copies of the three (3) Television programs recorded just prior to and after AUSTEL on 20 December 1993 uncovered the secret Report Telstra prepared on the Tivoli Restaurant and Theatre. A secret Report based on information Telstra obtained by hacking our phone conversations for over three years. A Secret Report provided to the Minister for Communications, Senator Bob Collins in May 1993 to allege there was no problems in the Fortitude Valley Exchange network and furthermore I was the only business complaining. A I have informed you that the three videos were stolen from the Chambers of Frank Costigan QC the night before he was to introduce them into evidence in my Supreme Court Appeal Against the Arbitrator's Award on 26 May 1998.

The truth of the matter is that three months prior to the discovery of the evidence of phone hacking by AUSTEL, AUSTEL established through a Public Meeting that there were 149 other Fortitude Valley businesses experiencing the same problems in receiving incoming calls to their businesses as we were at Roseville Restaurant and the Tivoli Restaurant and Theatre for over a decade. The political strategy to cover-up the whole sordid matter manifested itself in the false evidence sworn by Telstra Officer George SZYLKARSKI fourteen months after the AUSTEL Public meeting identified another 149 Fortitude Valley businesses experiencing the phone problems. I have provided you with a copy of the SZYLKARSKI Statutory Declaration and email evidence.

*SZYLKARSKI "Conclusion 10. I am unaware of any other customer of the Fortitude Valley exchange having the same types and frequency of problems as Garms alleged. In my experience, a fault which affects only a single customer is relatively straight forward to locate. I know of no network fault condition that could single out any one customer and affect such a large percentage of that customer's calls and yet not affect anyone else within the network."*

### Invalid Ministerial Decision

The ongoing blatant desperate political attempts to falsely deny and conceal the cover-up the existence of the crippling phone problems in Fortitude Valley by the Minister for Communications Senator Bob Collins associated with his Paedophile activities and phone hacking manifested itself in the invalid Ministerial Decision letter signed by Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann, Minister for Finance and dated 18 June 2014.

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In the decision letter Minister Cormann alleged that the Negligent/Unreasonable Conduct Claim concerning the cancellation of our settlement of all claims against Telstra by April 1994 due to the cover-up of the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network problems, Paedophilia and phone hacking by the then Minister for Communications Senator Bob Collins had been previously considered by the Department of Finance and declined.

When a cone of silence enveloped and no response was received to our robust rebuttal from Minister Cormann, I lodged a revised FOI request on 12 May 2017 with the Department of Finance for copies of the alleged prior claims involving the said misconduct by Minister Collins, which Minister Cormann alleged had been previously considered and declined.

The Notice of Decision letter published by the Department of Finance on 26 June 2017 in response to the FOI Request exposed the invalidity of the reasons signed off by Minister Cormann. Mr Fabian Haïding, Department of Finance:

"I am satisfied that all reasonable steps have been taken to find documents relevant to the scope of your revised request, and that no such documents exist"

Yours faithfully



**Ann Garms OAM**

**17 August 2017**

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**Senate Hansard 11 March 1999: Senator Alston.** Senator Carr reminded me of what we set out to achieve back in 1993...We both took the view that this was to be a fast track procedure. If, by that, we fondly thought it would all be disposed of within three months, then clearly we have been sadly disappointed.

**Senator Boswell:** when a Senate inquiry was mooted in 1993 Telecom quickly agreed to a fast-tracked settlement procedure signed by Telstra and four CoT members at the instigation of Senator Alston, me and the then Labor government. I support the findings of this report and urge a final solution now—by means of an independent assessment. To meet the commitment given by the Labor Government, Senator Alston, myself and the TIO at the beginning of their arbitration—of fairness and justice — instead these brave small business people have had their lives, businesses, peace of mind and assets destroyed by the many times proven misconduct of Telstra"

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*ANN GARMS*  
*6 October 2017*

Dear Prime Minister Turnbull

## THE OUTSTANDING CLAIM

### INVALID Ministerial Decision 18 June 2014

- **Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann**

### **The cover-up of a Paedophile Minister of the Crown in connection with the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network Infrastructure problems.**

I welcome the opportunity to make this SUBMISSION in support of the "Notice of Revised Interest Claim" dated 31 July 2017. I enclose a copy of the Book by Frank Blount *Managing in Australia*, which I indicated on 10 August 2017 I would forward to you.

## THE INVALID MINISTERIAL DECISION

It is not out of the question to consider that Finance Minister, Senator Mathias Cormann, when signing the Decision letter prepared by his Department, inadvertently relied on the integrity of his Officers to ensure the reasons he was personally signing off on, to reject our claim, were in fact true and correct.

If this is in fact the case, we must then assume that Senator Cormann had in reality not actually read the December 2013/January 2014 Negligent/Unreasonable Conduct Claim and 7 May 2014 robust Rebuttal? Importantly, given that the reasons signed off by Minister Cormann were at the heart of the claim, being the cancellation of our settlement due to the paedophile misconduct engaged in by a Minister of the Crown, Senator Bob Collins, I wish to draw your attention to the further Submission of powerful and compelling evidence provided by the former Chairman of Deloitte, Wayne Goss.

In brief, GOSS identified a few additional important examples of misconduct, engaged in during 1992 and 1993, and which were also at risk of exposure together with the Minister for Communications Senator Bob Collins involvement in the cover-up of paedophilia. A high level political cover-up of paedophilia; phone hacking; phone line sabotage; the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network Infrastructure and customer access network (CAN, copper-wire problems); "The dirty tricks" campaign against British Telecom (BT) and ourselves conjointly; the Great Telstra Travel Fraud (and Cover-Up) and associated matters of misconduct identified by Senator Paul CALVERT as occurring in 1992 and 1993; all of which were a risk to the Government if they were exposed during the independent loss assessment of our claims as per

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the executed fast track settlement agreement. An agreement offered by the Government, accepted by us and overseen by Senator Bob Collins who promised settlement of all claims against Telstra for Roseville and the Tivoli Restaurants within three months, if I withdrew my support for a Senate Inquiry into Telstra, with the latest date for settlement being April 1994.

On page two of the SUBMISSION under "*Wayne Goss - The Gaslighting Strategy*" GOSS identified the information provided by Senator Paul CALVERT in the Senate on 25 September 1997 as relevant to the period 1992 and 1993.

### **Wayne GOSS**

#### **The cover-up of the misconduct of a Paedophile Minister of the Crown**

I would like to acknowledge the advice provided by the former Chairman of Deloitte, Wayne Goss in regard to the cover-up of the Minister for Communications Bob Collins misconduct, a cover-up which Wayne Goss referred to as Gaslighting. In November and December 1993, the Minister for Communications, Senator Bob Collins was continually hassling me for details of the videos stocked by the sex shop at Lutwyche, Lady Lace. It turned out that Lady Lace lost their premises and business due to the problems in receiving incoming phone calls to their business through the Fortitude Valley Ericsson Transit Exchange.

It did not occur to me that Minister Collins was a paedophile. Rather I thought of him as a dirty old man. GOSS identified that in December 1993, as a consequence of AUSTEL's discovery of evidence that our phone conversations had been hacked by Telstra, Senator Bob Collins misconduct in engaging in paedophilia in Parliament House was also compounded by other aspects of misconduct known to the Government.

#### **The invalid Decision published by Minister Comann was simply a continuation of the gaslighting strategy adopted to cover-up the actions by a paedophile Minister of the Crown, Senator Bob Collins.**

Based on advice requested from his Department Officers, Minister Cormann in signing off on the 18 June 2014 Ministerial Decision, alleged that the matter of the paedophilia etc engaged by the former Minister for Communications Senator Bob Collins had been previously considered and declined by the Department of Finance in a claim submitted prior to the Negligent/Unreasonable Conduct Claim dated December 2013/January 2014 and Rebuttal dated 7 May 2014.

In response we advised Minister Cormann that no such claim, involving the cancellation of our settlement due to the cover-up of the involvement of Minister Collins in paedophilia etc. had ever been submitted let alone declined.

When no response was received from Minister Cormann to our robust Rebuttal, the true facts in relation to the invalid decision were established through the lodgement of the FOI Request with the Department of Finance. The FOI Request was lodged for copies of the alleged prior claims to which Minister Cormann referred as being those referring to the Paedophile conduct etc as previously considered by the Department of Finance and declined. The results of the FOI

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Request confirmed our rebuttal that the reasons signed off on by Minister Cormann in a letter dated 18 June 2014, were invalid.

This led to the "**Notice of Revised Interest Claim**" submitted on 31 July 2017, the particulars of which are as follows:

- **The revised interest claim dated 31 July 2017** was submitted as a consequence of an invalid Ministerial Decision letter, signed by the Hon Mathias Cormann, Minister for Finance and dated 18 June 2014.
- **A Ministerial Decision letter**, prepared by the Department of Finance on instructions provided by Minister Croman. A Ministerial decision to reject our Negligent/Unreasonable Conduct claim dated December 2013/January 2014 and 7 May 2014 Rebuttal involving the cancellation of our settlement in April 194 due to the risk to the Government that the improper conduct engaged in by the Minister for Communications in Paedophilia and phone hacking involving the cover-up of the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network infrastructure, Customer problems would be exposed;
- **A revised FOI Request** was submitted on 12 May 2017. This was an FOI request for copies of the claims lodged prior to December 2013/January 2014 and the Rebuttal dated 7 May 2014. Prior claims involving the cover-up of the misconduct of a paedophile Minister of the Crown, prior claims to which Minister Cormann referred on 18 June 2014 as being previously considered by the Department of Finance and declined;
- **The FOI Decision.** After extensive consultation and clarification, on 26 June 2017, the Department of Finance FOI Decision maker, Mr Fabian Harding advised. *"I am satisfied that all reasonable steps have been taken to find documents relevant to the scope of your revised request, and that no such documents exist"*

### Wayne Goss

#### The Gaslighting Strategy

The former Chairman of Deloitte, Wayne GOSS identified matters of misconduct occurring in 1992 and 1993 in the following documents and Senate Hansard:

#### Senator Paul CALVERT, Senate Hansard 25 June 1997.

On page 5163 Senator Calvert exposed matters relating to "The great Telstra Travel Fraud (and Cover-up)" And on page 5164 under Item 10, noted that Telstra's conduct has directly resulted in compensation to **News Corp and/or Foxtel of at least \$400 million**. He said further major losses will be incurred when Telstra's stock is issued at a significantly lower price than would have been the case if Telstra had acted responsibly.

**Senator CALVERT** at Item 11 said: Telstra not only failed to act responsibly, it failed in its duty of care to its shareholders. So, the real losers are the taxpayers and to an extent, the thousands of employees who will be sacked when Telstra reaches its roll out target – cable past 4 million households, or 2.5 million households if it is assumed that Telstra's CEO accepts directives from the Minister.

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**Senator CALVERT** Item 12 said: The winners will be the purchasers of Telstra shares who can almost certainly expect to see a hefty increase in the price of their stock when Telstra finally delivers on its promise of reducing excessive labour costs. It remains to be seen whether executives responsible for the mess Telstra is in are accountable for their performance and whether our elected representatives, who are supposed to be in control, are willing to act to prevent further loss to the present owners of Telstra.

**Senator CALVERT** Item 29: Goss pointed out Senator Calvert's comments on the Freehill Strategy: under the heading "*Legal professional privilege*"

**Extract from the Freehill Strategy noted by Senator CALVERT: From a liability viewpoint,** Telecom's customer relations policy and approach can in certain cases act to the detriment of Telecom where Telecom fails to control the making of admissions (express or implied) to the claimant. These cases become test cases for other potential claims and raise questions as to the adequacy of Telecom's Network, products and services in the competitive environment created by Optus and Vodafone.

**Senator CALVERT** notes that "The Freehill Hollingdale & Page Strategy in regard to our specific cases was accepted."

And importantly in regard to the Freehill Strategy and the Statutory Declaration prepared by Freehills for George SZYLSZYKARSKI the strategy "*not to directly or indirectly admit liability or fault on the part of Telecom or convey information concerning the complaint which could prejudice Telecom's position*" was relevant to the predetermined strategy to improperly conceal evidence of the Fortitude Valley Network Infrastructure problems including the CAN, copper wire problems, experienced by ourselves and 149 other Fortitude Valley businesses.

**The Freehill strategy dated 10 September 1993** which specifically referred to the Tivoli Restaurant and Theatre and three other cases was developed on instructions provided by the Government and Telstra and indeed instrumental in the development of the **Gaslighting** technique by the then Minister for Communications Senator Bob Collins.

He identified that the then Minister for Communications Senator Bob Collins targeted us with the covert Freehill strategy and subsequent SZYLSZYKARSKI Statutory Declaration to conceal the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network Infrastructure documents including those in relation to the Customer Access Network, (CAN) copper wire problems, prior to obtaining my consent to withdraw my support for the Senate Inquiry in exchange with my signature to a Fast Track Loss assessment for settlement within six months or sooner, the latest being April 1994.

**Prime Minister Turnbull,** you have been provided with a copy of the Video evidence of the Fortitude Valley Public meeting convened by AUSTEL, and the Statutory Declaration sworn by SZYLSZYKARSKI, prepared by Freehills following Minister Collins involvement in the Freehill Strategy.

The cover-up emanating from the Strategy developed by Freehills was not lost on Wayne Goss in his defence of Deloitte's involvement in the deliberate undervaluation of the Tivoli Theatre by over \$2million on behalf of the Government.

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### THE BULLETIN

**GOSS** identified that further acts of misconduct in 1992 and 1993 as referenced in the Bulletin article "**Telstra Exposed**".

**The Bulletin Article** covers the British Telecom matter which was linked to our dispute in 1992 and 1993 and eventually led to a payout of \$30 odd million to retrieve Telstra's internal documents and emails "discovered" in BT's action which they said are potential dynamite, they reveal a pattern of Telstra "dirty tricks"

The "**COMMENT**" on page 63 notes the matter of the "dark side" of Telstra revealed in the COT and BT Cases, carries serious implications for the future of Telstra and the Howard's government's competition policy. Of course the Telstra behaviour revealed in the BT documents occurred during the early to mid 90's." A marked-up copy is now enclosed.

**GOSS said look no further than the admissions made by Frank Blount in the Book *Managing in Australia*.**

Goss said there was now a **Herd of Elephants in the Room**, the problems confronting Telstra as a result of the orchestrated cover-up were profound. This he said was because of the risk of exposure that Exchanges and network infrastructure were poorly maintained and not upgraded in a timely manner with recent complaints from **Optus and Vodaphone** over network reliability and access.

**He indicated that the admissions by Frank Blount are relevant to Deloitte's involvement in the fabrication of a property valuation and financial reports on our Restaurant the Tivoli Restaurant and Theatre, under instructions provided by the Government.**

**Blount** "*The Pricing and Delivery of Telstra's services were inextricably linked. With its aging jerry-rigged network of an analogue foundation with its digital overlay, the company's cost structure was too high and it lacked the capability to deliver service in a more innovative or higher speed fashion.*"

On page 116 Blount states that *he announced a \$3.3 billion modernisation program called the Future Mode of Operation (FMO). Blount states on page 115, that Telstra's network operated on three different types of technology, the oldest dating back to the 1940's, the state of the art digital network Blount had been promised? When Blount took over only 28% of the fixed network was digital.*"

At the second meeting Goss in providing information, including the newspaper articles exposing Senator Collins Paedophilia "**Minister raped me in his Parliament office**" identified that the information in both of the publications, *Managing in Australia* and *Telstra Exposed* related to the period when Bob Collins in his role as Minister for Communications was directly involved in the cover-up of the Fortitude Valley Exchange Infrastructure network problems, being the Ericsson transit exchange network problems, the local loop including the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) and the Customer Access Network, copper wire problems.

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**Prime Minister Turnbull** you are in possession of the statement provided by the Property Valuer engaged by Deloitte and Warwick Parer, Mr Kerry Herron, and the letter of Advice requested by the Senators from Ernst and Young on 31 March 1999, the Video Evidence, the SZYLKARSKI Statutory Declaration, together with the table evidencing the Arbitrators fabrication of the wording of the Tivoli Technical Report to remove all reference to the major works in the Fortitude Valley Exchange network.

Goss said the inclination of the Government Members of Parliament and Senators was to protect "the system" it was the thing that Politicians did. He said you didn't talk about those sorts of things such a paedophilia and cover-up, let alone expose it, especially when it involves a Minister of the Crown, as is often the case of blatant sexual abuse such as that engaged in by Senator Bob Collins in Parliament House and other Government buildings, including his home.

I also enclose for your information, another copy of the Bulletin article "**Telstra Exposed**" marked up by Wayne Goss during our meetings to discuss the relevance between the cover-up of the Fortitude Valley Exchange network and the undervaluation of the Tivoli Restaurant and Theatre by over \$2million.

### **Without Prejudice**

During my recent conversations with Politicians concerning the invalid Ministerial Decision and the ongoing cover-up of the paedophilia where good men have done nothing, I have been very reliably informed that it is the Party's policy for Members not to investigate nor comment on matters pertaining to Paedophilia if it can be avoided.

As submitted the revised claim is limited on a without prejudice basis to the loss of capital growth on our Superannuation and homes by Trivett Property Valuers. The lost Capital Growth has been calculated by Trivetts using RP Data, from the date settlement of the claim was cancelled, due to the cover-up of the conduct engaged in by the Minister for Communications, Senator Bob Collins. This being April 1994, the date the Government contracted that settlement would occur to June 2010, being the last sale extending to the revised interest component as calculated on 30 June 2017.

The interest component on the outstanding Negligent/Unreasonable Conduct Claim was revised on 30 June 2017 following substantiation that the *reasons* in the 18 June 2014 decision to reject our claim, as published by the Minister for Finance, Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann, are invalid.

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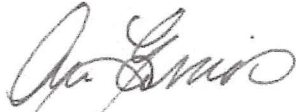
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I enclose a copy of the "Notice of Revised Interest Claim", Attachment A and B to the Bound Submission of claim dated 31 July 2017. We would appreciate settlement without further delay and given the compounding losses, damages, and costs associated with the invalid Ministerial Decision, we reserve our right to lodge a revised negligence claim and a claim for the Heads of Claim which have been excluded on a without prejudice basis.

We await payment of the long overdue Claim at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully



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## ENCLOSURES

- "Extracts from Notice of Revised Interest Claim Section A and B, to be read in conjunction with bound NOTICE OF REVISED INTEREST CLAIM dated 31 July 2017.
- Senator Paul CALVERT, Senate Hansard 25 June 1997.
- THE BULLETIN ARTICLE "Telstra Exposed".
- Extract from the Book "Managing in Australia" by David Mair, Frank Blount and Bob Joss.
- Statutory Declaration George SZYLKARSKI attaching Telstra email in conjunction with Computer Stick Videos- The Fortitude Valley Exchange Cover-Up by Channel 10.

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**CLAIM AGAINST THE COMMONWEALTH  
GOVERNMENT FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT  
OF ACTUAL LOSSES DUE TO  
NEGLIGENT/UNREASONABLE CONDUCT.**

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**Negligent/Unreasonable Conduct Claim by  
the applicants, Harry and Ann Garms,  
against the Commonwealth for  
compensation pursuant to s33 of the FMA  
or any other relevant law.**

**NOTICE OF REVISED  
INTEREST CLAIM**

**The Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP**  
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**CLAIM AGAINST THE COMMONWEALTH - NOTICE OF  
CLAIM OF REVISED INTEREST FROM 28 OCTOBER 2010 TO  
30 JUNE 2017**

**ANN GARMS OAM  
DATED 31 JULY 2017**

**NOTICE OF REVISED INTEREST CLAIM FROM  
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# CLAIM AGAINST THE COMMONWEALTH

9 October 2017

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Dear Prime Minister Turnbull

## THE OUTSTANDING CLAIM

### INVALID Ministerial Decision 18 June 2014

- **The cover-up of a Paedophile Minister of the Crown in connection with the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network Infrastructure problems.**

I attach a copy of my submission dated 6 October 2017 which was forwarded by Express Post, I have corrected some typos on page 2. The submission contains further information provided by the former Chairman of Deloitte, Wayne Goss concerning the Hansard record of the investigation conducted by Senator Paul Calvert dated 25 June 1997.

**Prime Minister**, the Federal Government Ministers and Members of Parliament have no role in the concealment of Paedophilia.

### The Invalid Decision;

**Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann, and the Gaslighting Strategy to conceal the misconduct of a Paedophile Minister for Communications.**

As indicated in my submission, the invalidity of the Decision published by Minister Cormann in response to the Negligent/Unreasonable Conduct Claim, being a claim involving paedophilia engaged in by the former Minister for Communications, Senator Bob Collins, was confirmed by the Department of Finance FOI Decision maker Mr Fabian Harding on 26 June 2017.

The publication of an invalid Ministerial Decision, allegedly on erroneous advice provided by the Department of Finance Officials, was simply a continuation of the gaslighting strategy identified by the Chairman of Deloitte, Wayne Goss. A gaslighting strategy adopted to conceal the actions by a paedophile Minister of the Crown, Senator Bob Collins in his involvement in the conjoint paedophilia cover-up of the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network Infrastructure, (CAN), copper wire problems, phone hacking and other associated matters.

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**The matter of the child-sex Paedophile scandal**, enveloping the Minister for Communications, was comprehensively concealed in 1993 and wiped off the pages of the newspapers after years of abuse and cover-ups were allowed to continue unrestrained, when he was to be afforded a State Funeral.

At the second meeting with Wayne Goss, he indicated that the sexual abuse of children, was well known as evidenced by the payment of hush money to several of Bob Collins victims, victims he had lured into Parliament House through his position of power and privilege, together with the cover-up of the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network Infrastructure problems.

A cover-up involving lucrative payments to Lawyers and Accountants, which GOSS said was more disturbing than is politically or morally acceptable at the highest reaches of the Federal Government.

GOSS also confirmed that the Government had to quickly remove the Minister for Communications, Senator Bob Collins in December 1993 and work out how to deal with the associated political risks and potentially disastrous fall out for both the Government and Telstra. He indicated that Bob Collins was afforded high level protection because he had the goods on others within his own party and other Federal Politicians.

The high-level protection afforded Bob Collins permitted the rape of innocent young victims over a long period of time. The number of victims GOSS said eventually exceeded well in excess of the dozens he identified in the Newspaper article by the Sydney Morning Herald, wherein actor Tom E. Lewis confirmed the existence of two photo albums containing photos of young boys Collins had raped.

The other articles GOSS identified (in support of his comments concerning the Federal Government's coverup of Paedophilia) and which led to Freehill and Deloitte's involvement in our case, related to the News Article *Minister raped me in his Parliament Office* and the reference to the failure of the *NSW Wood Royal Commission* to deal with complaints about Collins.

Subsequent attempts to overcome the intense cover-up achieved through the Freehill Strategy, as developed under the Collins administration, and exposed by Senator Paul Calvert on 25 June 1997 met with a wall of silence. You can imagine the effect this would have on the morale and businesses of the victims of the cover-up of Collins paedophile, both the young boys and our family, not to mention the other 149 Fortitude Valley businesses.

A lot of politicians I've met think there's something weird going on with the cover-up of Paedophilia, and those who support the NO Vote in the majority were involved in either turning a blind eye or directly befriending the perpetrators including Bob Collins. This fact is supported by the limited *Terms of Reference* for the Inquiry into institutional abuse imposed by the Prime Minister Julia Gillard in November 2012.

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The negligent/Unreasonable Conduct Claim which we addressed personally to Minister Cormann in December 2013/January 2014 was submitted when the Coalition regained power in 2013. This was based on advice previously provided by Wayne Goss. He said Labor under Rudd and Gillard would be more disposed to continue the massive cover-up because of the involvement of Labor Ministers of the Crown in Paedophilia and the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network infrastructure problems.

GOSS said the Telstra network infrastructure customer call completion problems were widespread amongst the Ericsson Transit Exchanges due to the delay in the upgrades including analogue to digital as described by Frank Blount on pages 116, 136 and 137 of his book *Managing in Australia*. He said the Labor Government had raided the Telstra revenue coffers to such an extent that the revenue earmarked for Network and Exchange upgrades was instead used to prop up the Labor budgets.

Yours faithfully



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Telstra's dirty tricks campaign against its rivals has already cost it dearly and there are more charges to come. Canberra Correspondent **Fred Brenchley** reports.

# Telstra exposed

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**S**hortly before his appointment as Telstra chief, Ziggy Switowski flew to Singapore to settle a legal claim by British Telecommunications that Telstra had muscled it out of the Australian market. Telstra then set about trying to recover all its internal documents exposed in the three-and-a-half-year court action.

For Telstra, the \$30-odd million it paid to BT to settle the action, plus about another \$10m to the NSW government (figures which Telstra refuses to confirm), must have been of secondary importance. The internal documents and E-mails "discovered" in BT's action are potential dynamite. They reveal a pattern of Telstra "dirty tricks" against new market entrants in defiance of government communications policy, including deliberate price confusion, misuse of customer billing information (to which only Telstra has access), refusal to allow new resellers access to Telstra services, artificial rationing of services and numerous forms of technical obstruction, such as long delays in servicing Telstra-supplied equipment.

"When I was with Telstra it took me and my team 15 minutes to come up with a strategy to scuttle the ... agreement between BT and NSW," Steve Burdon, a former senior Telstra executive and head of OTC is quoted as saying in one of the "discovered" documents. It is a neat encapsulation of scores of confidential Telstra documents and E-mails. Others talk of Telstra's efforts to "marginalise" BT, "lock out" Optus and make life difficult for new resellers coming into the market.

Telstra's sensitivity - some in the legal industry describe it as paranoia - on the exposure of these documents is acute. They could have a bearing on separate actions being brought by Optus and AAPT claiming hundreds of millions in damages from alleged abuse of Telstra market power. One of the documents "discovered" in the Optus case asserts that Telstra rolled out its \$3 billion broadband cable network to "impair, perhaps significantly, Optus Vision's emergence as a competitor in the local telephony market".

Such embarrassing reports of Telstra market muscle come as the Howard government is trying to further privatise the huge telco, offering assurances that Telstra's natural tendency to market dominance can be curtailed. They add fuel to calls by competitors for tougher competitive rules on Telstra, and to some opposition moves to carve up the giant telco, retaining only the core telephone carriage system in public hands.

The Telstra documents send a clear signal to new resellers such as One.Tel now entering the market under the post-1997 full deregulation of telecommunications - beware. They show Telstra setting pricing strategies to "discriminate" against resellers, as well as specific warnings to staff not to make more sophisticated Telstra switching facilities available to them.

The BT saga goes back to 1992 when, just as the Australian market was opening up, the privatised British group won the NSW tender to provide and manage the government's communications and data system, utilising the core Telstra system plus its CustomNet Horizon (CNS) which was introduced by Telstra to provide private networks for big customers and to stop them building their own. Telstra was relegated to just carrier status with BT as systems manager.

With the NSW government tendering Telstra's biggest customer - representing 5% of Australia's telecommunications traffic - the potential for Telstra to use this contract as a form to become a carrier in Australia was plainly won. Telstra saw the NSW government as "providing assistance to our overseas competitors". "There are too many opportunities elsewhere for Telstra to not be globally," said an undated E-mail by

**They drew a line in the sand saying Australia is Telstra's territory**

two Telstra executives, which described BT's Australian strategy as "enter, and break out".

"Telstra's main focus should be to fight BT for services within, and not enter Australia," it said. "Slow BT's growth and increase their costs. Counter 'enter' strategy ..."

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- **The cover-up of a Paedophile Minister of the Crown in connection with the Fortitude Valley Exchange Network Infrastructure problems.**

I enclose a copy of my covering letter dated 9 October 2017, the submission dated 6 October 2017 together with a copy of the book *Managing in Australia* by Frank Blount, Bob Joss and David Mair.

As indicated on 6 October 2017, we would appreciate settlement without further delay and given the compounding losses, damages, and costs associated with the invalid Ministerial Decision, we reserve our right to lodge a revised negligence claim and a claim for the Heads of Claim which have been excluded on a without prejudice basis.

We await payment of the long overdue Claim at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully



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