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To: 'hargreaves@act.gov.au'

Subject: Policies around remissions for ACT prisoners

Dear Minister Hargreaves,

I write on behalf of the ACT Community Coalition of Corrections to ask for clarification on a particular matter.

We are interested in the issue of remissions for prisoners in the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC). It is our understanding (from Part 13.2 of the Crimes (Sentencing Administration) Act) that the Executive is able to develop policies around the granting of remissions to prisoners in the ACT.

We would like to know if any consideration has been given to the issue of remissions, and what, if any, policies are already in place. If possible, we would be grateful if we could see any current policies on this issue.

If no policies are currently in place, we would ask the Government to consider implementing a remissions system, to encourage and reward good behaviour of prisoners in the AMC.

Please contact us should you require any further information.

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