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Dear Ms Morrison

This serves to confirm receipt of your comment which will be tabled before the Committee.

Regards

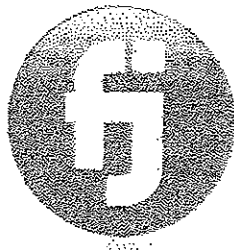
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Hello,

I am writing to you as a rape survivor. I was not forced violently into sex however I was only 13 years old when an older man who knew I had feelings for him convinced me into having sex.

I convinced myself for years that I had wanted the act to take place, however as I became a woman I realised just how naive and impressionable I was. It was not fair or right for that man to have sex with a child. I was not fully aware at that age what exactly he was wanting and only once it was over I realised something bad had happened.

I was not able at that age to make a proper informed decision. something that I would of loved to have been able to give my husband one day as a token of love was taken from me because I was young and trusting. so in essence this man actually stole from my husband.

I had to go for counselling for years to try and get my emotions right, (fortunately this was free counselling provided by our local church) Would the Courts be willing to pay for counselling centres to be put up where gilrs who finally admit to feeling violated can

go and talk to someone before they commit suicide.... I dealt with so much shame and guilt when in fact it was not my fault. I also was in denial of being raped. many case studies prove that many sexual abuse victims go into denial and when the denial bubble finally pops , many woman take their lives if they do not get the right help required.

So if the child in point is not fully aware of what is really happening, its a crime. Especially when it comes to sex. The repercussions to sex can be forever life changing, contracting STD's, AIDS , like myself end up with huge emotional and psycholological issues.

Co-hersion from an older person, whether it be to have sex or do bad things like steal is wrong because the adult should Lead by example. Just like our Government should set a good example.

case in point: Look at women who teach their children to steal. The children do not fully understand the repercussions of their behavior. In those instances is the child the guilty party or the mother?? I believe the mother is to blame. children do as they are taught and should not be abused or taken advantage of because of their disposition. It is not right and it is not fair.

I truly believe that a woman's Virginity is for one Man and not for many. Sex is becoming more and more a problem in our culture and i honestly believe that as woman and any honoarable men who want to join this fight are to unite and fight back. besides the elicit pornographic industry that has most men hooked on Pornography (See the gentleman who runs S.T.O.P - Clive Human) He currently works with men who are so desperate to get off being addicted to Porn that they actually end up turning to him for help.

In a Culture where Aids is rampant, do you really think we should be giving men the freedom to put the lives of 12 year old girls at risk, the girls may say yes (becasue they do not fully understand the repercussions of thier decision) - but inevitability she is not responsible enough to protect not only herself but also any other man who sleeps with her from this Disease.

- Should she contract it from another man.

Being 12 do you really think she understands how important protect sex is??? She has no idea. has she ever seen someone suffering from Aids? Or has she been watching the news? probably NOT.

She is only but a child. How can our Country stand with its head held high in an international Ring if we are encouraging child Sex ???????????

There are laws that are international and The United Nations could maybe have a word to say on this matter should it go through..

What are trying to achieve by doing this??? So that Men can have their way with uninformed minors irrespective of the Repurcussions????

Who pays for the baby when it is born? The State?? A 12 year old cannot even work to pay to feed her child...

We should be encouraging a wait till you are married policy , because a person who waits has no emotional baggage compared to someone who hasn't waited .

I honestly believe that counsellors should be brought in, people that have worked with

sexual abuse or rape survivors to hear what the victims go through. I definately think that girls that are currently being treated for Emotional trauma should be brought to court and witness to what they have endured...

What you as parliament is asking is A CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY!!!! A CRIME AGAINST CHILDREN.

We don't need more perpetrators . I am beggging you not to allow this. The consequences can be irreversabile as well as Devastating.

Why do we want to hurt the children?? why don't we protect them so that when we all grow old and we are weak and helpless they protect us????

I feel strongly on this matter and will definitely forward this to as many people as I know.

regards,

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