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#### STATE OF HAWAI'I | KA MOKU'ĀINA 'O HAWAI'I

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## TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 300, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

By

Tommy Johnson, Director
Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Senate Committee on Ways and Means Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 18, 2025; 10:00 a.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 211 & Videoconference

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR) supports House Bill (HB) 300, House Draft (HD), 1, which appropriates funds for the operating budget and capital improvement program (CIP) for fiscal years (FY) 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

DCR is grateful for the support of the House Committee on Finance for funding its FY 2025-2026 additional operating budget request of \$5,274,288 and FY 2026-2027 of \$4,547,494. In total, DCR's request for FY 2025-2026 of 2615.60 permanent positions, 43.00 temporary positions, and \$320,555,674 for all means of financing; and for FY 2026-2027 of 2615.60 permanent positions, 43.00 temporary positions, and \$319,828,880 for all means of financing was supported.

However, DCR seeks the support of the Committee on Senate Ways and Means to fund the following CIP requests that were not funded in HB 300, HD1:

#### FY2025-2026

\$20M - Facility wide security perimeter fencing repairs and improvements.
 HB300, HD1 funded only \$5M of the request;

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- \$23M General lump sum CIP, statewide;
- \$5M Facility wide deferred maintenance for both years of the Fiscal Biennium;
- \$10M 10-Year Departmental Master Plan. DCR's Departmental Master Plan was last updated in 2003; and
- \$4M Renovation of the Maui Community Correctional Center.

Due to the conditions of its aging correctional facilities, DCR needs the CIP funding resources requested in HB 300, to address the critical health and safety issues currently impacting on the security and operations of those in DCR's custody and care, and its dedicated staff, at the correctional facilities.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony in support of HB 300, HD 1.

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TESTIMONY
OF
BONNIE KAHAKUI, ADMINISTRATOR
STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
WAYS AND MEANS
MARCH 18, 2025, 10:00 A.M.

HOUSE BILL 300, HD1
RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on House Bill 300, HD1. The State Procurement Office (SPO) **supports** this bill, which will appropriate/allocate funds for the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2026 and 2027. This is to highlight our budget requests that go beyond the recurring funds.

#### AGS 240 SEQ 100-001: Add funds to extend Small Business Initiative for SPO (AGS 240)

The SPO requests an appropriation of funds for personnel: our Small Business Procurement Coordinator. Pursuant to Act 168, SLH 2022, the SPO was appropriated funds to establish a small business initiative program. The main purpose of the initiative is to develop rules, policies, and strategies to ensure that small businesses are able to effectively participate in contracting opportunities with the State. The Small Business Procurement Coordinator position was filled on February 3, 2025. Since then, we have been making progress on developing the small business initiative program.

#### AGS 244 SEQ 100-001: Add funds for Surplus Property Management (AGS 244)

The SPO is submitting two requests to raise the Surplus Property Management program's revolving fund ceiling. Because the program is special funded, raising the fund ceiling will not impact the General Fund. Through business operations, we believe that the program can shoulder the additional costs.

#### • Raising Ceiling for Fringe Benefits

Raising the fund ceiling is to help cover the fringe benefits for the program. In the past few fiscal years, the Surplus Property Management program has encountered a shortfall in fringe benefits, requiring the transfer of operational funds to cover personnel costs. The amount requested is based on the composite rate from FM 24-09.

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#### Raising Ceiling for Personnel Expenses

Raising the fund ceiling for personnel expenses will allow the program to reclassify two positions within the Surplus Property Management program. The two positions that are to be reclassified perform duties that are extraneous to their current class and position description to ensure compliance with stringent Federal and State regulations, in addition to meeting the needs of its stakeholders.

Organizations that rely on federal surplus property provided through the Surplus Property Office will be significantly impacted by impending Federal budget cuts. Reduced access to essential resources and equipment from Federal programs may hinder their ability to fulfil their respective mission across the state. In response, the Surplus Property Office and its staff are anticipated to intensify its efforts to support eligible nonprofit organizations in Hawaii.

The SPO needs to recognize the additional work that is required to help make the program successful. Furthermore, we find that the salary range for the program in Hawaii greatly lags behind counterparts in other states. Of the 38 states where the program's management position is filled and the salary is published, Hawaii ranks 30th. The increase will put the salary at about the median of this group. This increase will help Hawaii maintain a competitive pay for the responsibilities with other states for similar programs.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this measure.



JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR | KE KIA'ĀINA

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# STATE OF HAWAII | KA MOKUʻĀINA 'O HAWAIʻI OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS KA 'OIHANA PILI KĀLEPA

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#### **Testimony of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs**

## Before the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. Conference Room 211 & Via Videoconference

## On the following measure: H.B. 300, H.D.1, RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee:

My name is Nadine Ando, and I am the Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' (DCCA or Department). The Department supports this bill.

The purposes of this bill are to appropriate funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

We appreciate the Committee's time at our budget briefing in January and we continue to support our submitted budget requests. For the Committee's information, the relevant program appropriations for the Department are on pages 43 to 44 of this measure. The Department acknowledges the hard work of the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.



#### TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL KA 'OIHANA O KA LOIO KUHINA THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025

#### ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

H.B. NO. 300, H.D. 1, RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

**BEFORE THE:** 

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 18, 2025 **TIME:** 10:00 a.m.

**LOCATION:** State Capitol, Room 211

**TESTIFIER(S):** Anne E. Lopez, Attorney General, or

Brenden B. Kinoshita, Administrative Services Manager

Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General (Department) strongly supports this bill, specifically, those appropriations within the budget that provide funding for the continued operations of the Department for fiscal biennium 2025-2027. The Department has no objections to the adjustments made by the House in House Draft 1 of the bill.

Included in the Department's budget for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 are critical requests to convert the funding of four currently-staffed Investigator positions in the Investigations Division's Sex Offender Registration Unit from federal funds to general funds; salary adjustments for deputy attorneys general to recruit and retain talented attorneys and maintain the Department's competitive position against similar public and private sector employers; and an increase to the Department's line-item budget for litigation expenses given the continuing trend of rising litigation costs. The Department's budget also includes a number of housekeeping adjustments, such as trade-off/transfers and increased fringe costs for non-general funded programs to better align the Department's budget with its programmatic and organizational structure.

Finally, the Department's budget includes a request to relocate and house the physical servers of the Hawai'i Criminal Justice Data Center due to the decommissioning of the current State-operated Kalanimoku location, as well as requests from the administratively attached Hawai'i Correctional System Oversight

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Commission (HCSOC). For the HCSOC's budget requests, the Department defers to the testimony of the HCSOC, which is submitted independently from the Department.

We thank the Committee for allowing the Department to provide testimony and respectfully ask the Committee to pass this bill with the requested appropriations.

#### JOSH GREEN, M.D.

GOVERNOR OF HAWAI'I KE KIA'ĀINA O KA MOKU'ĀINA 'O HAWAI'I

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## Testimony in SUPPORT of HB300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS SENATOR DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, CHAIR SENATOR SHARON Y. MORIWAKI, VICE CHAIR

Testimony of Caroline Cadirao Director, Executive Office on Aging Attached Agency to the Department of Health

Hearing: Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 10:00 A.M., Conference Room 211

- 1 **EOA Position:** The Executive Office on Aging (EOA), an attached agency to the Department of
- 2 Health (DOH) strongly supports HB300 HD1, which defines EOA's operating budget as
- 3 outlined in the Program Appropriations, HTH 904, Page 30, Item No. 25.
- 4 Fiscal Implications: Appropriates funds for the EOA's operating budget for fiscal year 2025-
- 5 2026 and for fiscal year 2026-2027.
- 6 **Purpose and Justification:** EOA's operating budget includes the following additions:
- 7 1) Establish one (1) full-time permanent Program Specialist V within the State Health Insurance
- 8 Assistance Program (SHIP); 2) Transfer three (3) new full-time civil service positions from
- 9 temporary to permanent within the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP), and 3) Convert the Long-
- 10 Term Care Planner VI position from temporary to permanent.

1	1)	Establish one (1) full-time permanent staff position (Program Specialist V), within the
2		State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP);
3		The additional one (1) FTE, permanent staff is needed to increase access to enrollment
4		assistance for programs that can offset medical and prescription drug costs such as premiums
5		deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, or lifetime late enrollment penalties that are deducted
6		directly from social security benefits. Without this position, less Medicare beneficiaries will
7		be reached through education, outreach, and one to one Medicare counseling.
8	2)	Transfer three (3) new full-time civil service positions from temporary to permanent
9		positions (Program Specialist V, Program Specialist IV, and Program Specialist III)
10		within the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP);
11		Act 250, passed in the 2023 legislative session, established three (3) full-time staff positions
12		to protect kūpuna from frauds and scams. Converting these three (3) temporary, civil service
13		positions to permanent, will provide timely, reliable, and accurate services. SMP provides a
14		statewide toll-free helpline, provides 1:1 counseling and referrals and conducts community
15		outreach to underserved groups and communities to expand access and assistance for
16		Medicare, Medicaid, and other health related scams, fraud, or abuse. If the positions are not
17		converted to permanent, EOA will be unable to maintain the education, outreach and
18		counseling. The number of older adults who will be victimized will rise proportionately with
19		the growing aging population in Hawai'i.
20	3)	Convert the Long-Term Care Planner VI position from temporary to permanent.
21		Note in the HD1 budget worksheet on page 504 this position is listed as Planner IV SR

#### 26. However, EOA is requesting the conversion from temporary to permanent of the

- 2 current position of Planner VI.
- Act 159, passed in the 2024 legislative session, provides for a Long-Term Care (LTC)
- 4 Planner to address the serious nature of LTC in Hawai'i. This Act will ensure kupuna have
- 5 the opportunity for optimal health and well-being through a comprehensive Long-Term Care
- plan for Hawai'i. Converting the 1.0 FTE position from temporary to permanent, will enable
- 7 EOA to move the LTC plan forward, increasing awareness for a sustainable system of care
- 8 throughout Hawai'i. Without a dedicated staff person to support the planning, policy, and
- 9 advocacy to move forward the strategies and objectives, EOA will be delayed in addressing
- this critical issue for the community. Additionally, this can impact the costs of care and a
- reduction in options for home and community-based services.
- We appreciate your consideration of this bill.
- 13 **Recommendation**: EOA strongly supports this measure and respectfully requests your
- 14 consideration of EOA's operating budget.
- 15 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



### STATE OF HAWAI'I HAWAI'I STATE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

'OIHANA HALE WAIHONA PUKE AUPUNI O KA MOKU'ĀINA O HAWAI'I OFFICE OF THE STATE LIBRARIAN 44 MERCHANT STREET HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

# SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS Tuesday, March 18,2025 10:00 am Conference Room 211

By Stacey A. Aldrich State Librarian

#### H.B. 300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

To: Sen. Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Sen. Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The Hawai'i State Public Library System (HSPLS) **supports H.B. 300 HD1**, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budgets of the Executive Branch for Fiscal Years 2026-2028.

The HSPLS supports HB 300 HD1, as it provides the funding necessary to meet the mission and vision of the HSPLS as we support 51 communities statewide on 6 islands. Specifically, our request for FY2026-2028 includes:

- \$1,200,000 to maintain existing security guard services at approximately 40 public libraries statewide;
- \$484,000 to lease space for temporary libraries due to impending construction at Makawao, Wahiawa, and Pearl City libraries;
- \$31,548 for a new branch manager for the new Waikoloa Public Library. Full-year funding will be requested in the next biennium budget;
- \$500,000 to address deferred repair and maintenance at public libraries and support offices statewide;
- \$500,000 in FY26 and \$250,000 in FY27 to increase efficiency in the circulation of over 3 million physical items statewide;
- \$25m in FY26 and \$25m in FY27 to complete CIP projects already in progress statewide;
   and
- \$3m in planning and design for a new Kapaa Public Library.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

JADE T. BUTAY DIRECTOR

WILLIAM G. KUNSTMAN DEPUTY DIRECTOR



## STATE OF HAWAI'I KA MOKU'ĀINA O HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS KA 'OIHANA PONO LIMAHANA

March 14, 2025

To: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair,

The Honorable Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair, and Members of the Ways and Means Committee

Date: Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Conference Room 211, State Capitol

From: Jade T. Butay, Director

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR)

#### Re: HB 300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means:

The **DLIR strongly supports the HD1 of HB 300**, which includes the following budget requests critical to our department:

- Funding for the maintenance and operation of the Disability Compensation
  Division's (DCD) Electronic Case Management System, including associated
  licenses and cloud services. The funding provides the means for injured workers,
  employers, attorneys, and physicians to electronically file and access workers'
  compensation and temporary disability cases in a secured cloud environment. To
  date, there's been \$16.7M invested in the project and without funding the
  Division would need to reinstitute paper-based claims and shut down the public
  portal.
- \$126,000 for two Human Resources Specialist IV positions to implement the Holo delegation and Act 186 hiring programs. The DLIR currently has 73 designated classes of work delegated by DHRD, these two positions will facilitate implementing Act 186 and facilitate participation in Holo delegation.
- Two Labor Law Enforcement Specialist positions and funds to address the backlog of labor law complaints investigated by the Wage Standards Division.

- Two DCD Enforcement Specialist IV positions (1 on Oahu, 1 in Hilo) and funds to help ensure that eligible employees receive the medical and economic protection guaranteed by workers' compensation, temporary disability insurance, and prepaid health care laws.
- Changing the method of financing for two positions in the Unemployment Insurance Division without additional funding. This change in funding will ensure stable, long-term support for the Unemployment Insurance Division's critical equity and access initiatives.
- Funding for the Hawai'i Labor Relations Board Staff Attorney to implement the
  criteria and procedures established by Act 143 for the creation of new bargaining
  units. Act 143 (SLH, 2024) provided funding for FY2024-25 and this request
  funds that temporary position through the biennium as Act 143 expires on July 1,
  2027.
- Two positions for the Office of Community Services (OCS) to provide more direct client assistance in the Immigration Resource Centers. Act 207 (SLH, 2024) provided funding for two FTE to OCS to create an Immigrant Services and Access Unit, however, the funding is limited to the appropriation made by the Act and non-recurring.
- Pursuant to G.M. 4, \$720,000 in FY25-26 and \$445,000 in FY26-27 to address Hawaii Retirement Savings Program's startup costs including consultant contracts, marketing and communications, and legal, audit, and insurance in order to establish baseline information for program administration; create a financial model to determine fees necessary to support program costs; evaluate and determine investment design and policy statement; program administration services; and participant marketing, financial education, and disclosures.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on these important matters.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR SYLVIA LUKE

LT GOVERNOR



JAMES KUNANE TOKIOKA CHAIR

GWEN S YAMAMOTO LAU EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Testimony of

Gwen Yamamoto Lau

Executive Director

Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority

before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 A.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 211 & Videoconference

in consideration of HOUSE BILL NO. 300, HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **strong support** of House Bill 300,HD1 which provides the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority ("HGIA") (BED 138) the ability to continue administering its financing programs for underserved ratepayers, as well as bridge the access to capital gap for nonprofits, small businesses and commercial property owners statewide.

In addition to the authority's lending ceiling, bond ceiling and operating budget for the upcoming fiscal year, we are also requesting add the Investment Fund Manager position authorized by Act 40, SLH 2024 into HGIA's base budget.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in support of HB 300, HD1.



## HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE STATE OF HAWAII

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Testimony of MARK B. GLICK, Chief Energy Officer

## before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211 and Videoconference

In Support of HB 300, HD1

#### RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee, the Hawai'i State Energy Office (HSEO) offers comments with suggested amendments supporting the intent of HB 300, HD1 which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

We respectfully seek your support of HSEO's BED 120 suggested budget requests to ensure HSEO is appropriately staffed and funded to carry out its statutory duties under HRS 196-71 in fulfilling the State's top priorities to a secure, resilient, clean energy economy.

HSEO requests the Committee's consideration for amending the following:

Adjustment: SEQ#100-001 - Add Funds for Hawai'i State Energy Office

**Impact Statement:** This request is an increase in payroll for the salaries of six mission critical positions in the HSEO. We appreciate the House approval to increase the base budget for five positions. However, we are requesting your consideration for funds in the amount of \$20,432 for PN 124584 be included. An increase in the base budget is needed to attract qualified candidates to fill the position. This position is

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currently vacant. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the mean salary for an economist in Hawai'i is \$100,000. The current budgeted salary is \$77,521. This increase would raise the base budget to \$98,000. To attract and retain a qualified employee an increase in the budgeted salary is necessary to be competitive in the current market.

Adjustment: SEQ#101-001 – Personal Services for Temp Chief Energy Officer

Impact Statement: This request will appropriately fund the position of the Chief Energy Officer, established by the Legislature under Act 122, SLH 2019. Additional funds are needed to cover a payroll shortfall from the salary amount currently provided for the position that places the agency's statutory head among the lower half of paid positions in the agency at \$80,625. The requested salary adjustment will realign the budget with actual costs and allow the program to utilize OCE funds now covering the shortfall to support critical operational expenses.

HSEO respectfully requests your favorable consideration of these requests. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



### STATE OF HAWAI'I Early Learning Board

2759 South King Street, Room C6 HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96826

March 15, 2025

To: Senator Dela Cruz, Chair

Senator Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Senate Ways and Means Committee

From: Elaine Yamashita, Chair

Early Learning Board

Re: HB 300 HD1 support

Aloha, Honorable Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-chair Moriwaki, and members of the Senate Ways and Means committee:

The Early Learning Board (ELB) formulates statewide policy relating to early learning, as well as directing the Executive Office on Early Learning (EOEL).

The Early Learning Board supports HB 300 HD1 which includes funding for 50 additional EOEL Pre-kindergarten classrooms across the state for the next biennium. This is a priority for the Early Learning Board. There is also strong support from DOE principals and the general public.

We understand the uncertainty of these financial times and are hoping for the best.

Mahalo for your consideration and support of this request.

Sincerely,

Elaine Yamashita Early Learning Board Chair elb@eoel.hawaii.gov

Testimony Presented Before the Senate Committee on Ways and Means March 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

By

Kalbert K. Young

Vice President for Budget and Finance/Chief Financial Officer

University of Hawai'i System

HB 300 HD1 – RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony today. The University of Hawai'i (UH) **supports** HB 300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget. This bill appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

Many departments in state government are going to be financially impacted given projected reductions in federal funding support for a number of programs and personnel. The UH is looking at a number of programs that have been impacted or are at risk, which represent reductions in public services to our students, organizations, and our broader state community through research and other grant support. Given the dynamic situation, the UH's budget request does not include any additional funding in these shortfall areas.

The following table provides the items included in UH's portion of the House Draft of the operating budget. Items in red were denoted as non-recurring by the House:

Campus	ltem	FY26 Pos	FY26 \$\$\$	FY27 Pos	FY27 \$\$\$	MOF
Mānoa	Make Mānoa Athletics subsidy permanent		3,200,000		3,200,000	Α
Mānoa	Convert Athletics Positions and Additional Support	4.00	320,000	4.00	320,000	Α
Mānoa	Convert Athletics Positions and Additional Support	-	-	-	-	В
Mānoa	HIMB Positions from Act 181/23	3.00	246,118	3.00	246,118	Α

Campus	ltem	FY26 Pos	FY26 \$\$\$	FY27 Pos	FY27 \$\$\$	MOF
Mānoa	UHM-UHWO Nursing Collaboration Phase III	4.00	447,936	4.00	447,936	А
Mānoa	Pamantasan Council from Act 64/23	1.00	85,500	1.00	85,500	Α
Mānoa	Financial Aid Counselors	6.00	199,440	6.00	398,880	Α
JABSOM	Debt service for Kaka'ako Health & Wellness Campus		1,108,019		1,533,463	Α
JABSOM	Ceiling Increase for Special Fund Recharge Center and Conference/Workshops		955,000		955,000	В
Cancer Center	Debt service and operational costs		9,476,352		9,441,861	Α
Hilo	Make Hilo Athletics subsidy permanent		500,000		500,000	А
Hilo	Full Year funding for BS in Education Studies and Kahuawaiola Indigenous Teacher Education		142,500		142,500	А
Hilo	Increase School of Nursing cohort size	5.00	357,500	5.00	475,000	А
West Oʻahu	Pre-Nursing Pathway	2.00	107,776	2.00	215,552	Α
West Oʻahu	Admissions and Financial Aid	1.00	37,650	1.00	75,300	Α
West Oʻahu	ACM Facilities & Core Services	2.00	66,888	2.00	133,776	Α
Community Colleges	Windward CC Mental Health Tech Certificate of Competence Program from Act 107/24	2.00	210,150	2.00	210,150	Α
Community Colleges	Maui College Practical Nursing Bridge Program from Act 74/23		330,000		330,000	А
Community Colleges	Pamantasan Council from Act 64/23	2.00	196,000	2.00	196,000	А
Mānoa	Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Positions	(2.00)		(2.00)		N
System Admin	CTE Grant Ceiling Increase	-	6,000,000	-	6,000,000	N
Mānoa	Pamantasan Council (additional funds)		175,000		175,000	Α

Campus	ltem	FY26 Pos	FY26 \$\$\$	FY27 Pos	FY27 \$\$\$	MOF
Mānoa	Economic and Policy Research at UHERO	2.00	480,000	2.00	480,000	Α
Mānoa	Athletics (additional funds)		12,800,000		12,800,000	Α
Hilo	Rat lungworm research		1		1	Α
Hilo	Athletics (additional funds)		300,000		300,000	Α
Community Colleges	Pamantasan Council (additional funds)		175,000		175,000	Α
System Admin	Peace Program support staff		1		1	Α
System Admin	I Hoa Nā Moʻolelo		179,378		179,378	Α

The HD1 substantially aligns with the Governor's budget. Specifically regarding the non-recurring designation for the debt service payments for both JABSOM and Cancer Center, these debt payments are recurring in nature.

Similarly, UH's portions of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) portion of the budget is presented below, with both the Board of Regents request and what was appropriated in the House Draft. Note that the Means of Financing (MOF) for all of these items is General Obligation (GO) bond financing:

		Board of	Regents	House		
Campus	Project Description	FY26 \$\$\$	FY27 \$\$\$	FY26 \$\$\$	FY27 \$\$\$	
System/Mānoa	RIM Projects	\$100,000,000	\$100,000,000	\$50,000,000		
Mānoa	Student Housing Services Improvements*	\$61,500,000	\$57,000,000	\$30,750,000	\$28,500,000	
Mānoa	Assessment & Feasibility of Hamilton Library	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000		
Mānoa	Waikīkī Aquarium Improvements	\$4,000,000				
Mānoa	Athletics Improvements	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000		
Mānoa	Holmes Hall	\$9,000,000		\$9,000,000		
Mānoa	PV Rooftop and Canopies and Various Energy Efficiency Projects	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000			
Mānoa	Mini Master Plan Phase 3 - Kuykendall Hall	\$5,000,000		\$5,000,000		
Mānoa	Admin Office & Parking Phase I and II	\$9,000,000				
Hilo	RIM Projects	\$29,625,000	\$22,685,000	\$15,000,000		

		Board of Regents		House	
Campus	Project Description	FY26 \$\$\$	FY27 \$\$\$	FY26 \$\$\$	FY27 \$\$\$
Hilo	Puako Marine Education & Research Center, Phase I		\$750,000		
UHWO	RIM Projects	\$6,900,000	\$5,000,000	\$6,500,000	
CCs	Capital Renewal & Deferred Maintenance	\$37,500,000	\$25,000,000	\$20,000,000	
CCs	Minor CIP	\$37,500,000	\$25,000,000	\$37,500,000	
CCs	Kapi'olani CC - Kauila and Kopiko Renovations for Health Sciences		\$34,800,000		
CCs	Honolulu CC - Technology Renovations, Phase 2	\$32,000,000		\$15,000,000	
CCs	Maui College - Heona Modernization	\$15,000,000		\$15,000,000	
CCs	Maui College - Hale Modernization		\$12,000,000		
CCs	Windward CC - Alaka'i Building Renovation		\$15,000,000		\$15,000,000
Mānoa	Land Acquisition for former St. Francis Property			\$1,000	
Mānoa	Waimānalo CTAHR CARES center			\$5,500,000	
Mānoa	Magoon Research Station			\$6,000,000	
System	Demolition of Undersea Laboratory Building (Makai Pier)			\$500,000	
System	Project Adjustment Fund			\$4,000	\$4,000
	Total	\$381,025,000	\$331,235,000	\$229,755,000	\$43,504,000

<sup>\*</sup>The House appropriated \$30,750,000 for FY26 and \$28,500,000 for FY27 in Revenue Bonds in addition to the \$30,750,000 for FY26 and \$28,500,000 for FY27 in GO Bonds for Student Housing Improvements.

The UH stands ready to work with the Legislature as it deliberates the state budget for the upcoming fiscal biennium. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Josh Green, M.D.

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Statement of CHRIS J. SADAYASU Interim Stadium Manager

Stadium Authority
Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism before the

#### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211

In consideration of H.B. 300, HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki and members of the Committee.

The Stadium Authority offers comments on HB300, HD1. We respectfully request that the \$49.5M ceiling increase request for the Stadium Development Special Fund (SDSF) for FY2026 in House Bill 300, be reinserted in accordance with the governor's administrative budget request.

The ceiling increase would allow the Stadium Authority (BED180/SA) to allot and expend the funds appropriated in Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, and authorized by proviso 17.3, which permitted the deposit of a \$49.5M appropriation into the SDSF. The ceiling increase would also enable the Stadium Authority to expend funds toward advancing the New Aloha Stadium Entertainment District (NASED) project. Failure to secure this increase could delay the execution of the stadium development and operation agreement and other NASED project documents.

Additionally, the SDSF ceiling increase would allow the Stadium Authority to move the NASED project forward and ensure the project's long-term sustainability and positive impact on Hawaii's communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR

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## Statement of **DEAN MINAKAMI**

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#### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

March 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. State Capitol, Room 211

In consideration of H.B. 300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Committee.

HHFDC <u>supports</u> HB 300 HD1, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

HHFDC requests the committee's consideration of the following for the biennium (unless otherwise noted):

\$20,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$20,000,000 in FY 2027 (MOF: C) for BED 160 Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Infusion, Statewide

The Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund (DURF) may be used for the acquisition of real property; development and construction of residential, commercial, and industrial properties; interim and permanent loans to developers; development of regional infrastructure; and all things necessary to carry out the purposes of HHFDC's Housing Development Program, including administrative expenses.

The \$40,000,000 infusion will provide additional financing resources to support the development of workforce and affordable housing statewide, as well as infrastructure improvements, including but not limited to, interim loans for affordable housing projects, infrastructure improvements in Transient-Oriented Development areas that support affordable housing projects, rehabilitating infrastructure in the Villages of Kapolei for dedication to the City, development of a new potable water system for the Waiahole

Valley community, continued development of the Leialii (Maui) master planned community, and planning and development of the Iwilei Master Plan.

This infusion also includes rehabilitating the Front Street Apartments and other infrastructure needs on Maui.

## \$50,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$50,000,000 in FY 2027 (MOF: C) for BED 160 Cash Infusion for Rental Housing Revolving Fund, Statewide

The Rental Housing Revolving Fund (RHRF) provides loans or grants for development, pre-development, construction, acquisition, preservation, and substantial rehabilitation of rental housing units. The state has a severe shortage of housing, and the \$100 million infusion is needed to continue to provide gap financing for the development of affordable rental housing projects. The need for RHRF is based on the demand exhibited during our 2025 (FY2026) financing application round. There were 31 applications for RHRF financing in the current round for a total requested amount of \$1.19 billion. The trends experienced in the current economic environment of rising interest rates in the private capital market, rising cost of labor, construction materials, and insurance have increased the need for additional financing as the developer equity gap increases.

## \$75,000,000 in FY 2026 and \$75,000,000 in FY2027 (MOF: C) for BED 160 Cash Infusion for Tier II Rental Housing Revolving Fund, Statewide

RHRF Tier II provides financing for workforce rental projects targeting households earning between 60% and 140% of the AMI. This population includes households that earn too much to qualify for Low-Income Housing Tax Credit projects but not enough to buy their own homes. This group represents our workforce, such as teachers, firefighters, and nurses, and affordable housing for this group has been identified as a priority for the State. This group has been identified as the largest segment leaving Hawaii due to the lack of affordable housing. The \$150 million is critical to address the housing needs of this population as quickly as possible.

#### **BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS:**

HHFDC requests ceiling increases by \$356,200 for FY 2026 and \$185,200 for FY 2027 for Other Current Expenses (OCE), with revolving funds as the means of financing (MOF W):

#### \$73,600 for FY 2026 and \$73,600 for FY 2027 for Maui Travel

As the lead agency for the housing recovery support function on Maui, HHFDC staff will be required to take frequent trips to Maui for meetings with Maui officials, site visits, and planning and development meetings.

\$231,000 for FY 2026 and \$60,000 in FY 2027 for Financing Application Software
The Housing Finance branch of HHFDC reviews applications from developers and
facilitates funding and tax credit awards to affordable housing projects. This software
would reduce staff's time spent to input, score, and analyze data and produce reports

that are currently done manually. This may make it possible to hold additional funding application rounds if funds and/or resources are available.

The \$171,000 ceiling increase in FY 2026 is for non-recurring financing application software implementation costs including loading all the historical data into the software program. The \$60,000 recurring cost for FY2027 is for maintenance, support, and updates of the software application which we expect will increase with inflation in subsequent years.

\$21,600 for FY 2026 and \$21,600 for FY 2027 for Artificial Intelligence Licenses
Hawaii is in a housing shortage crisis along with an ever-increasing workload, HHFDC is looking to implement cutting-edge artificial intelligence (AI) technology to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of staff's time and productivity. Copilot licenses for Microsoft 365 will help boost employee productivity by automating redundant tasks, assisting with document and email drafting, and providing quick insights using natural language queries (GPT). Its integration with Microsoft SharePoint can enhance collaboration by making it easier to find relevant documents, track changes, and maintain version control across HHFDC's branches and sections. It will also help to build up HHFDC's model to create a learning, query-able AI that is specific to HHFDC's core functions; Copilot can generate summaries of SharePoint documents, facilitate project updates, and ensure that everyone is aligned.

#### \$30,000 for FY 2026 and \$30,000 for FY 2027 for Staff Training

Investing in staff training is essential to equip employees with the latest knowledge and skills necessary to perform their roles. Attending training workshops and conferences for new programs and best practices enable staff to stay abreast with updates on housing finance and development programs (i.e., financing strategies, development practices, funding opportunities, Internal Revenue tax codes, Fair Housing). Staff training is also critical for employee retention and succession planning.

#### Amendment of Section 7 of Act 164, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023

HHFDC supports the amendment indicated in item A-17 in section 11(1) of the bill. By deleting "public Prekindergarten Classroom," private preschools can be located at the Hale O Laie site.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

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## Statement of BRENNA H. HASHIMOTO

Director, Department of Human Resources Development

#### Before the

#### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211

## In consideration of HB300 HD1, RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and the members of the committee:

The purpose of HB300 HD1 is to appropriate funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

The Department of Human Resources Development (HRD) strongly **supports** HB300 HD1 as it relates to our biennium budget requests.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	0.00	\$581,321
HRD102	1 of 14	FY27	0.00	\$581,321

#### **Description of Request**

Payroll Adjustments. Funding is required to address:

- 1) Collective Bargaining Adjustments. Salaries for filled positions have increased over time, while the budgeted salaries for vacant positions have not kept pace.
- 2) Advancement and retention of employees. Without adequate funding, HRD will be unable to adjust salaries as employees advance in their classification series, which will significantly hinder career progression.
- 3) Addressing Salary Disparities for Excluded Managerial (EM) positions to align with the middle of the collective bargaining schedule, which will better position HRD to retain qualified managers and prevent turnover.
- 4) Minimizing Turnover and Addressing Workforce Attrition, amid a significant number of Executive branch employees becoming eligible for retirement.
- 5) Sustaining Recruitment Success.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	0.00	\$548,647
HRD191	2 of 14	FY27	0.00	\$652,400

#### **Description of Request**

HRD SAAS Cost Increases. HRD's Software as a Service (SAAS) applications costs have increased dramatically. SAAS systems are rising at approximately \$70-80K per year. Costs have eclipsed HRD's operating budget. This funding request is essential. If not adequately addressed, HRD will not have sufficient funds for operations.

The request will support increasing costs for HRD's NeoGov (recruitment, onboarding), Human Resources Management System (HRMS), and Adobe Learning Manager (ALM for training content). These systems serve as the enterprise-wide foundation for the HR and payroll operations of the Executive Branch.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	2.00	\$112,186
HRD102	3 of 14	FY27	2.00	\$211,572

#### **Description of Request**

Add 2.00 Positions and Funds for PTO (Employee Records and Transactions). The requested 2.00 FTE HRMS Analyst positions are currently temporary, exempt from civil service, and funded with ARPA funds. Without these positions, the maintenance of the centralized, comprehensive employee information system within the Executive Branch will remain inefficient and staff will continue to be inundated with mundane tasks. Most importantly, we would jeopardize timely and accurate processing of employees' pay, benefits and employment security. The HRMS Analyst positions are working to review legacy processes and provide recommendations to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of HR components within HIP, as well as explore other opportunities to integrate systems. These positions will also play an essential role in the EFS and ERP projects.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	6.00	\$231,728
HRD102	4 of 14	FY27	6.00	\$427,036

#### **Description of Request**

Add 6.00 Positions and Funds for ESD (Employee Staffing Division Recruitment and Outreach). The request to institutionalize the 6.00 ESD FTEs as permanent positions will ensure progress made in recruiting efforts remain intact. 5.00 of the 6.00 positions are currently exempt from civil service, temporary, and funded with ARPA funds. This team has enhanced recruitment and certification capabilities within ESD, enabling the State to more effectively meet its workforce needs. Without this funding and resources, the ESD remains constrained in its ability to attract and retain top-tier talent, affecting the State's ability to deliver critical public services effectively.

1.00 (Human Resources Technician VI) of the 6.00 positions will support the Certification section within ESD. Certification provides front-end and back-end support for all requested recruitments for civil service vacancies. Currently, there are only 1.00 professional and 3.00 paraprofessional staff managing over 1,500 requisitions annually.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	0.00	\$41,350
HRD102	5 of 14	FY27	0.00	\$111,250

#### **Description of Request**

Salary Surveys and Compensation Analytics. This request includes:

- 1) \$39,100, of which \$37,500 is for continued Hawaii Employers Council (HEC) membership and costs to conduct compensation surveys. Continuing HEC membership provides access to survey data on public sector wages, pay practices and benefits. Membership will also keep HRD informed on compensation laws, research, publications on latest trends and other resources beneficial for HRD as the Executive Branch's HR authority.
- 2) \$2,250 Pay Equity Training.
- 3) \$72,150 for compensation analytics and salary survey data. This system will save time and increase accuracy when conducting wage comparisons that are currently done manually using excel spreadsheets.

Approximately \$70,000 in expenditures will be supplemented with ARPA funds in FY26, resulting in the lower Year 1 FB request.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	0.00	\$5,491,297
HRD102	6 of 14	FY27	0.00	\$6,515,078

#### **Description of Request**

Workers' Compensation Claims Administration. In FY 2025, HRD is appropriated \$15,709,183, which includes \$5,225,000 in non-recurring funding. The approximately \$5.5 million and \$6.5 million request for FY26 and FY27 will replace the current \$5,225,000 non-recurring FY25 funding and account for projected increases through FY27. Costs are projected to increase by 6.5%.

Workers' compensation (WC) is a statutorily-mandated benefit which provides wage loss compensation, medical care and other related benefits to employees who suffer a work-related injury or illness.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	0.00	\$250,000
HRD191	7 of 14	FY27	0.00	\$250,000

#### **Description of Request**

Department-Wide Furniture Replacement Project. The request represents Phase 1 of a comprehensive furniture replacement project. The total project cost is estimated at \$1,440,000 and is designed to address the critical need for modern, ergonomic, and technology-integrated workspaces that align with current work practices and safety standards. The current furniture inventory is over 20 to 30 years old and is no longer compliant with modern safety and ergonomic standards. The department has experienced work-related injuries, such as back strains and repetitive motion injuries, due to improper setup and inadequate seating.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	1.00	\$32,954
HRD102	10 of 14	FY27	1.00	\$59,808

#### **Description of Request**

Add 1.00 Position (Administrative Assistant IV) and Funds for Labor Relations. Currently, two division administrators (Labor Relations and Employee Relations) share a filled Administrative Assistant IV position to handle the support functions of their divisions located on two different floors within HRD. Additionally, the current Administrative Assistant IV provides administrative support to the Office of Collective Bargaining. The addition of 1.00 FTE will provide the necessary dedicated support to Labor Relations, including performance of duties specific to labor relations and collective bargaining.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	0.00	\$30,000
HRD191	12 of 14	FY27	0.00	\$30,000

#### **Description of Request**

HRD Training and Professional Development. Funding will support HRD's employees with HR specific training opportunities and professional development. HRD is expected to be the State authority in human resources and to provide support and guidance to Executive Branch agencies. Training is necessary to maintain that expertise.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	0.00	\$1,000,000
HRD102	13 of 14	FY27	0.00	\$0

#### **Description of Request**

Classification and Compensation Study. The State Executive Branch has not done a comprehensive review of its classification and compensation systems and would need to contract services with an outside entity to assist the State and all departments. Many classes and minimum qualification requirements are outdated, hampering recruitment and retention efforts. Jobs have changed over time and so have State services. If not funded, the State will fall further behind, and will continue to struggle with turnover and recruitment, which will make it difficult for programs to provide services to the public.

Program ID:	Priority:	FY26	0.00	\$163,600
HRD191	(Added via Governor's	FY27	0.00	\$163,600
	Decisions)			

#### **Description of Request**

Transfer funds from AGS131/EA for Workers' Comp Claims Management System. HRD supports ETS' request for appropriation transfer as doing so will place the appropriation with the expending agency.

Program ID	FY26	6.00	\$470,000
HRD200	FY27	6.00	\$470,000
Description of I	escription of Request   Office of Wellness and Resilience Transfer/Request		

Transfer-in Office of Wellness and Resilience from GOV 100. Act 291, SLH 2022, temporarily placed OWR in the Office of the Governor to support and implement the statewide framework for trauma-informed care and will need to be placed in a

principal department.

This request transfers 6.00 FTEs and related funding.

Program ID	FY26	0.00	\$424,528
HRD200	FY27	0.00	\$424,528
<b>Description of Request</b>		Office of Wellness and Re	silience Transfer/Request

Add OCE for Office of Wellness and Resilience. Act 291 temporarily placed OWR in the Office of the Governor and will need to be placed in a principal department.

This request would continue to fund OWR's Other Current Expenditures (OCE) at funding levels consistent with current levels. OCE funding would support the costs of consultants and necessary supplies.

Program ID	FY26	6.00	\$876,000
HRD200	FY27	6.00	\$876,000
<b>Description of Request</b> Office of Wellness and Resilience Transfer/Request			silience Transfer/Request

Add positions and funds for Act 106, SLH 2024, State of Well-Being Project. If granted, this request would continue to fund the State of Wellbeing (SoWB) program within OWR at FTE, Personal Services, and Other Current Expenditures (OCE) funding levels consistent with current levels.

The Legislature established and funded the SoWB program as a temporary program housed in the OWR through Act 106, SLH 2024. The Act provided funds for personal services and OCE for the first year.

This request would support the continued funding of 6.00 FTEs (\$475,000) and OCE (\$401,000), including consultant costs and necessary supplies.

Program ID	FY26	0.00	\$48,276
HRD200	FY27	0.00	\$48,276
Description of Request		Office of Wellness and Re	silience Transfer/Request

OWR Adjustment for CB Increases. This request is for \$48,276 in incremental funding to account for two collective bargaining increases that have taken place since OWR's establishment in FY 2023. At establishment and in subsequent periods, CB increases were not provided. The request would provide for an equitable work environment in line with other salary range positions with similar credentials and qualifications.

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Please note that of the 14 requests listed above, priority numbers 8, 9, 11, and 14 were not included in the FB 2025-2027 Executive Branch request.

HRD appreciates the Legislature's support. We are aware of the challenges ahead and remain committed to work with the Legislature to seek solutions that effectively balance short and long-term priorities. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony. We are available to answer any questions or provide further information as needed.



# STATE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - KA 'OIHANA OLAKINO

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR OF HAWAI'I KE KIA'ĀINA O KA MOKU'ĀINA 'O HAWAI'I

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March 16, 2025

To: Senate Committee on Ways and Means Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair; Senator Sharon Moriwaki, Vice Chair; and Honorable Members

From: Jack Lewin MD, Administrator SHPDA and Senior Advisor to Governor Josh Green on Healthcare Innovation

Regarding HB300 HD1— RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Position: SUPPORT with COMMENTS

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Testimony:

SHPDA is evolving to fulfill its 50-year-old statutory authority as a healthcare oversight agency for the state. That authority, created 1974, was never implemented, but the vision remains in statute. Today the state of Hawai`i lacks necessary oversight for healthcare and healthcare policy.

While DCCA houses the Insurance Commissioner to assure fiscal solvency of insurers and also oversees professional licensing; DHS manages the Med-QUEST (Medicaid) program; DOH manages public health, institutional mental health, and emergency medical services; Corrections and Rehabilitation manages their own health care services; and the UH manages JABSOM and health professions training; the state lacks a coordinating agency for healthcare policy, health system reform, and overall assurance of universal access to high-quality and affordable healthcare for all. At the Governor's request, SHPDA is building this missing capacity for Hawaii and our public and private healthcare sector. This lack of healthcare oversight has also been observed as requiring our state's attention by Senator Dela Cruz, Director Kenny Fink, me, and various others.

Data is needed to fulfill this vision and to accurately monitor population health status, identify and propose means of closing gaps in healthcare in terms of access to care, preventable morbidity and mortality,

and disparities in healthcare outcomes across Hawaii's diverse population and geography.

That currently missing data will begin to become available in 2025 through the All-Payer Claims Database (APCD), created by legislative mandates in 2026 and 2019 requiring all health and dental insurers submit all of their insurance claims to SHPDA. The SHPDA APCD, which is a solid partnership with the UH and Med-QUEST, already has de-identified, privacy-assured healthcare data under management for over 1 million citizens, and we aim to have the de-identified data for the entire state by 2027. The All-Payer Claims Database (APCD) will give the state the ability to monitor population health, access to healthcare, and healthcare outcomes in comparison to other states and the nation. It is a big step forward; but it will need specialized staff to effectively mine the data, and then develop means to employ findings in collaboration with Hawaii's impressive healthcare sector, to more robustly improve healthcare outcomes and population health at affordable costs.

SHPDA and the DHS Med-QUEST Division (MQD) also successfully applied for and were one of only 6 states to receive the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation Center's (CMS/CMMI) "AHEAD" grant (All-Payer Health Efficiency Approaches and Development). Despite the DOGE cuts occurring in Washington, AHEAD is the only major CMS/CMMI grant to be safe and fully funded.

AHEAD funds will provide MQD and SHPDA with about \$2.35 million per year for 5 years through 2030 for planning, data acquisition, actuarial costs through consultants, totaling about \$12 million to organize the grant's ambitious goals of improving population health at lower costs through innovation. However, in addition, if all the hospitals, physicians, and clinics statewide participate, they will be eligible for new CMS incentive payments which could total over \$200 million annually over 8 years through 2035 (or between \$1-2 billion through 2035). If the grant is successfully implemented, it will transform Hawaii's healthcare system and increase spending on primary care by 100% to improve healthcare access.

SHPDA's budget requests in HB300 HD1 reflect these challenges, which is occurring in stages. These include:

1. Digitalizing SHPDA's 100s of thousands of paper records from 50 years of Certificate of Need (CON) applications and deliberations, which occupy (in many, many file cabinets) two-thirds of the space in our small office in the Keoni Ana building attached to the Capitol Office Tower.

- This process is almost completed, having been funded from our special fund (created by CON filing fees) with FY 2024 funds.
- Once completed in 1-2 months, we will have cleared space in our office to bring in SHPDA's need for additional staff to fulfill our expanded mission, including two federally funded staff focused on the AHEAD grant.
- 2. Renovating SHPDA's office to accommodate new staff and a necessary conference room to accommodate SHPDA's many advisory council meetings, some of which are in-person, and all of which require multiple staff to interface with statewide Governor-appointed advisory council members, as well as for CON hearings. This is possible now that the digitalization process is complete. The budget requests:
  - A one-year one-time special fund ceiling increase to use
     Corrections Industries to renovate our office for the first time in
     50 years, and to accommodate:
  - A new Administrative Officer (FY '26 budget);
  - Two AHEAD federally-funded staff who are in the hiring process now;
  - 3 new staff needed to mine the APCD database and the aforementioned purposes in FYs 26-27.
  - The much needed conference room for statewide advisory council and CON hearings.
- 3. Assisting SHPDA with administrative tasks needed to support our mission. We need help with procurement, HR, and improve and track our administrative and budgetary requests:
  - We requested an Administrative Officer for these purposes which remains in our budget. We very much need this position!
- 4. Preparing to mine the APCD data to systematically improve Hawaii's healthcare outcomes and population health, and to support the data needs of the AHEAD grant. However, this is needed also for many other healthcare needs <u>not covered by the AHEAD</u> grant, such as improving healthcare outcomes in cancer, heart disease, diabetes, and many other causes of disease preventable diseases; for identifying and providing coverage for the remaining 50,000 or more uninsured persons in Hawai`i; for streamlining the problematic health insurance "prior authorization" process; for successfully convincing CONGRESS with credible data to fix the flawed formula for Medicare reimbursement in Hawai`i for our hospitals and providers who are becoming increasingly non-viable; and finally for using technology and innovation to improve access to care with telemedicine and new delivery models to help address our severe workforce shortage of

health professionals. To successfully accomplish these important goals, we will need :

- 3 new staff in epidemiology, healthcare informatics, and health statistics. We requested one physician informaticistepidemiologist in this year's budget, but it was cut. We will be back to make this happen.
- 5. Securing consultant funds to fix the serious under-reimbursement problem we face from Medicare, which is adversely affecting the viability of our hospitals, physicians, clinics, and other providers statewide. This is critically important. We need to document the damage to healthcare this funding shortage is creating. Hawai'i has the lowest per capita reimbursement from Medicare of states, and the highest cost of living and housing. Hawai'i's per capita Medicare reimbursement is about \$9,500, while the national average is around 12,500. We would need an additional \$1 billion annually to be at the national average, which is only 0.1% of Medicare spending. It is a resolvable problem; but we need to create accurate data to reflect the damage being done, AND to document with solid data that we could create more than \$1 billion in federal savings to pay for that increase in funding by reducing unnecessary hospitalizations, emergency department visits, and serious preventable complications of chronic medical illnesses. Once a data-supported strategy is developed by top-notch consultants with respect in the current Congress, our hospitals and insurers will themselves fund the lobbying effort needed in 2027 to effect this essential change. To accomplish this SHPDA requested \$405,000 in the budget. This was reduced to \$250,000. We need this consultant funding as follows for FY 26:
  - SHPDA's request for about \$250,000 should please remain intact in this budget.

Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to testify.

---- Jack Lewin, Administrator



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Amanda Kaahanui, Staff Susan Rocco, Staff Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Committee on Ways and Means Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: HB 300 HD 1 - RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and members of the Committee,

The Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC), Hawaii's State Advisory Panel under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, supports HB 300 HD 1 relating to EDN 150 - funding for Special Education. This bill appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

SEAC received a budget briefing on February 14th by the Department's Budget Branch and agrees with the priorities of the Office of Student Support Services for additional funding in the following areas:

- \$10 million each year for **contracted skilled nursing services**,
- \$1.8 million in FY 27 for **20 licensed Mental Health Interventionists** to support students at risk of suicide and needing intensive educational settings, and
- \$1.7 million for **surveys and electronic platforms** to capture data critical to managing student mental health.

While general education has seen a gradual decline in enrollment for K-12 students since the beginning of the pandemic, the special education population has remained stable. These students are struggling to make up learning losses related to distance learning necessitated by the pandemic and often are experiencing higher rates of anxiety than their non disabled peers. We ask your Committee to appropriate the necessary funds to enable them to achieve academic and socioemotional growth.

Respectfully,

Martha Guinan, Chair





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## Testimony of MICHAEL K. NĀHO`OPI`I Executive Director

Before the Senate Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211

#### In consideration of HOUSE BILL 300 HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

House Bill 300 House Draft 1appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. The <u>Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission (KIRC)</u> supports this measure.

The Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission respectfully <u>request the addition of Capitol Improvement Project (CIP) funding</u> for its <u>Project A01A: Kaho'olawe Restoration and Resilience Center, Maui (Phase 2), LNR908 in the amount of \$4,250,00 (Planning: \$350,000; Design: \$3,000,000; Construction: \$900,000).</u>

The KIRC has the unique opportunity to build the Kahoʻolawe Restoration and Resilience Center at its base yard property located adjacent to the Kīhei Small Boat Harbor. This project will not only consolidate and provide a single KIRC office on Maui but will also tell the story of Kahoʻolawe's cultural significance, its ecological devastation and the efforts to restore and demonstrate our communities' resiliency to heal the damages of the past. Additionally, this facility will also create a revenue generating venue in the South Kīhei corridor to assist in Maui's economic recovery, generate additional tax revenues and create income opportunities for the KIRC to fund restoration efforts on Kahoʻolawe.

Phase 2 of the project is to develop the detailed drawings and plans necessary to build this project. This includes final construction drawings and specifications, planning and development of exhibits and archive storage, final planning, design for office layout, and final design of the building infrastructure (HVAC, network).

Additionally, this request includes construction efforts to expand the current boathouse to include a larger concrete pad and two additional covered wings for additional boat storage as well as creating a small educational pavilion and restroom facilities adjacent to the current boathouse.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR



### STATE OF HAWAII HAWAII CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM OVERSIGHT COMMISSION E HUIKALA A MA'EMA'E NŌ

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TO: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

The Honorable Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Mark Patterson, Chair

Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission

SUBJECT: House Bill 300, House Draft 1, Relating to the State Budget

Hearing: Tuesday, March 18, 2025; 10:00am

State Capitol, Room 211

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission (HCSOC, the Commission) **supports** House Bill 300, House Draft 1, Relating to the State Budget, as the modest funding increase is essential for sustaining and expanding the Commission's vital oversight work. Through the Attorney General's Office, this bill allocates an increase of \$196,863 for FY26 and \$271,445 for FY27, allowing the Commission to continue fulfilling its statutory mandate and enhance its critical oversight efforts.

In 2019, the Hawaii legislature found that, "independent oversight of the State's correctional system ensures transparency, supports safe conditions for employees, inmates, and detainees, and provides positive reform towards a rehabilitative and therapeutic correctional system." This led to the passage of Act 179 of 2019 and the establishment of Chapter 353L in the Hawaii Revised Statutes, which tasks the Commission with monitoring the correctional system, investigating complaints, setting inmate population limits, and ensuring the effectiveness of offender reentry programs. Since its inception in 2020, the Commission has made significant strides, particularly with the hiring of dedicated staff and the initiation of vital oversight activities in 2022.

To date, the Commission has conducted over 65 investigative visits to correctional facilities, issued more than 55 public reports, and held over 70 public meetings. These efforts have resulted in over 100 recommendations to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR), a crucial partner in advancing a more rehabilitative and therapeutic corrections system. The implementation of these recommendations has already led to tangible improvements, including:

- Ensuring compliance with federal standards, such as proper access to courts, adequate bedframes and bunkbeds, appropriate clothing and bedding, access to outdoor recreation, and provision of menstrual pads.

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- Creating a more therapeutic environment for individuals on suicide watch by painting and reconfiguring cells.
- Restoring contact visits to strengthen family ties, which is critical for successful reentry.
- Removing the monetary eligibility requirement for furlough participation at all furlough sites, expanding access to rehabilitation opportunities.

To build upon these successes and fully meet its statutory obligations, the Commission is respectfully requesting funding for two full-time positions including a Prison Oversight Specialist to expand investigative capacity and to fulfill §353L-4(b)(1), and a Research and Policy Associate to support data-driven reforms and fulfill §353L-4. Additionally, the Commission is requesting funding for a case management system to organize, track, and monitor all complaints and recommendations. Lastly, the Commission is requesting additional funding for inter-island and mainland correctional facility travel to fulfill §353L-4(b)(1), memberships and conferences to fulfill §353L-7, and general operational expenses.

Oversight is imperative to safeguarding the rights and well-being of incarcerated individuals, staff members who work in the correctional facilities, and the broader community. Furthermore, by ensuring compliance with state and federal regulations, robust oversight reduces the risk of costly litigation, ultimately saving taxpayer dollars while fostering a safer and more rehabilitative correctional system. Therefore, when evaluating the state of corrections and the allocation of funds towards correctional, reentry, and rehabilitative initiatives in Hawaii, the Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission stands as a pivotal investment for driving systemic transformation.

For all the reasons stated above, the Oversight Commission supports HB300 as it will increase funding for the Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission, enabling the Commission to sustain its crucial efforts. Should you have additional questions, the Oversight Coordinator, Christin Johnson, can be reached at 808-900-2200 or at <a href="mailto:christin.m.johnson@hawaii.gov">christin.m.johnson@hawaii.gov</a>.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

JOSH GREEN, M.D.

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DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
ON
HOUSE BILL NO. 300, H.D. 1

March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. Room 211 and Videoconference

#### RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

The Department of Budget and Finance strongly supports this bill.

House Bill No. 300, H.D. 1, is the House version of the FB 2025-27 Executive Biennium Budget bill. It requests appropriations for the Executive biennium operating budget and capital improvement program for FB 2025-27.

The Committee has heard detailed testimony from all of the Executive departments and agencies regarding their biennium budget requests. And departmental staffs have responded to your Committee staff's questions and provided the additional information requested.

The Administration believes that we have sound justification for our biennium budget requests and urge the Committee to pass the bill in its original form with minimal amendments.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.



# STATE OF HAWAI'I KA MOKU'ĀINA O HAWAI'I STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES 'A'UNIKE MOKU'ĀPUNI NO KA NĀ KĀWAI KULA

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March 18, 2025

The Honorable Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means The Thirty-Third Legislature State Capitol State of Hawai'i Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Senator Dela Cruz, and Committee Members:

#### SUBJECT: HB 300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

The Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities **supports HB300 HD1**, which Appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. Specifically,

### HTH 905- Developmental Disabilities Council Page 505,

HTH905	FY2026	FY2027
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HT	H 527,570 N	527,570 N

This appropriation amount in HB300 HD1 provides the Council with current staffing and fiscal resources in order to implement 2022-2026 State Plan activities in the areas of community supports; health and children and youth; public awareness, education and training; transition and employment; and self-advocacy/self-determination.

Activities include policy development, policy implementation, and analysis; informing and educating policymakers about Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities (I/DD); establishing

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networks and coalitions on specific issues and concerns relating to developmental disabilities; conducting legislative advocacy training; providing leadership training; demonstrating new approaches to services and supports; fostering interagency collaboration and communication; coordinating and sponsoring the annual Day at the Capitol, transition events, and neighbor island and Oahu legislative forums, etc.

Without appropriate resources and support systems for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities (I/DD), the consequences can be significant for individuals, families, and the broader community. With limited access to community-based services, more individuals may be placed in institutional settings rather than supported in living independently, leading to increased costs and limiting personal growth and inclusion. A lack of employment and educational opportunities creates further barriers to independence, increasing reliance on caregivers and social services, which places additional strain on families. In some cases, family members may be forced to leave the workforce to provide care, impacting household stability and reducing the overall workforce.

Additionally, gaps in essential services such as healthcare, housing, and transportation can lead to higher rates of emergency medical care, hospitalizations, and long-term dependency on costly care systems. The absence of adequate support also impacts the workforce shortages in healthcare and caregiving, as more individuals would require assistance without enough trained professionals to meet the demand. Without strong programs and services that promote inclusion, independence, and accessibility, individuals with I/DD are at risk of being left behind, leading to cycles of dependency rather than empowerment. Ensuring that essential services remain in place benefits not just individuals with I/DD, but strengthens the entire community by promoting a more inclusive and sustainable future for all.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony **in support of HB300 HD1**, relating to the specific budget items noted below.

Sincerely,

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**Executive Administrator** 



# STATE OF HAWAII OFFICE OF WELLNESS AND RESILIENCE KE KE'ENA KÜPA'A MAULI OLA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR 415 S.BERETANIA ST. #415 HONOLULU, HAWAII 98813

### Testimony in SUPPORT of H.B. 300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Moriwaki, Vice Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means

March 18, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., Room Number 211

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means:

The Office of Wellness and Resilience (OWR) in the Governor's Office **STRONGLY SUPPORTS** H.B. 300 HD1 and humbly requests an amendment. Per Act 87, (SLH 2023), as of July 1, 2025 the OWR will no longer be administratively attached to the Office of the Governor and will administratively transfer to the Department of Human Services. The OWR requests an amendment to H.B. 300 HD1 to add the OWR budget request to transfer positions and appropriations to the Department of Human Services.

Since its establishment in 2022, the OWR has been carrying out our kuleana to strengthen our state service systems to create a trauma-informed state. The OWR breaks down barriers that impact the well-being of Hawai'i's people—from keiki to kūpuna, through trauma-informed care training and technical assistance, partnerships and collaboration, data and assessment, and policy and program development. OWR's 12 statewide staff are currently managing approximately 100 projects and tasks, which primarily fall into these five categories:

#### 1. Data and Assessment

Seven high-priority initiatives focus on data collection and organizational assessment, including: publicly available data dashboards on workforce wellness and social determinants of health, landscape analyses, organizational assessments, listening sessions identifying needs and barriers for workers, in both the State and in the community, etc.

#### 2. Partnership and Collaboration

While partnership and collaboration underpin all our efforts, 36 projects specifically focus on coordinated initiatives, including: ongoing coordination of Maui recovery efforts; participation in state advisory groups about mental health,

wellness and resilience; public education events; state department engagement for developing trauma-informed programming, etc.

#### 3. Policy and Program Development

22 projects target policy and program development across state and community sectors, including: managing and facilitating legislatively mandated working groups, development of a trauma-informed state within state departments, nonprofit and community-based organizations, and county agencies, advancing national policy work on trauma-informed care, supporting legislative policy development and session work, developing new trauma-informed initiatives within state departments and contracted providers.

#### 4. Training and Technical Assistance

12 projects focus on developing, disseminating, and sustaining training and technical assistance for departments, encompassing: establishment of training academy for state departments, participation and leadership in national and state level conferences and trainings on trauma and trauma-related topics, including specialized training on secondary traumatic stress and vicarious trauma of the workforce, development of academic papers and articles for research and funding initiatives.

#### 5. Administrative Efforts

Approximately 23 daily tasks are administratively focused (i.e., managing daily operations, internal and external communications and education, staff supervision, fiscal and contract management, etc.)

The OWR appreciates the opportunity to present our Office's biennium budget requests. Listed below is the OWR's operating budget request for five-line items.

We are looking forward to the continued programmatic and overall daily support from the Office of the Governor to address the wellness and resilience of our State workforce and communities. Additionally, we look forward to working with Department of Human Services to assist administratively in this new capacity. Please note that the OWR is in the process of establishing a Program ID within the Department of Human Services.

Program ID: HMS	FY26	6.00 FTE	\$470,000
	FY27	6.00 FTE	\$470,000
Description of Request 1		Transfer-in OWR from GOV 100	

Act 291, (SLH 2022), temporarily placed OWR in the Office of the Governor to support and implement the statewide framework for trauma-informed care and per Act 87, (SLH 2023), will need to be transferred to the Department of Human Services. This request transfers 6.0 FTEs and related funding. **All six positions are currently filled.** 

Program ID: HMS	FY26	0.00 FTE	\$424,528
	FY27	0.00 FTE	\$424,528
Description of Request 2		Add Other Current Expenditures (OCE) for OWR	

Act 291, (SLH 2022) temporarily placed OWR in the Office of the Governor and per Act 87, (SLH 2023), will need to be transferred to the Department of Human Services. This request would continue to fund OWR's OCE at funding levels consistent with current levels. OCE funding would support the costs of implementation of the mandate such as: content specific consultants, social determinants of health data and research for dashboard development and management of data, development and management of trauma-informed care resource libraries, website, trainings, curriculum for dissemination, facilitation support, travel for neighbor island support and implementation of trainings, technical assistance and supervision support, annual trauma-informed care summit, and necessary supplies.

Program ID: HMS	FY26	6.00 FTE	\$876,000
	FY27	6.00 FTE	\$876,000
Description of Request 3		Maintain positions and funds for Act 106, (SLH 2024)	
		State of Well-Being (SoWB)	Project

This request seeks continued funding for the SoWB program within the OWR at current levels. Since establishing the project in 2024, the **OWR has filled all the six newly established positions** and built partnerships with city, county, state, and community stakeholders. Our team is on track to deliver the mandated outcomes of Act 106: completing the landscape assessment by December 2025, enhancing Tier 1 and 2 mental health and support services and identifying relevant metrics by December 2027. The Legislature generously funded this temporary program for one year through Act 106, (SLH 2024). Thus, the OWR requests \$475,000 annually to maintain the six full-time positions and \$401,000 per year for operational expenses (for consultant costs, program development, implementation strategies, community partnerships, listening sessions, travel for neighbor island support and supplies) throughout the biennium.

Without this funding, the OWR will not be able to execute these critical deliverables to support, enhance and establish when non-existing, the mental health and well-being of first responders, healthcare providers, and school staff within the communities of need. The impacts of this work to assist in building the wellness and resilience of the workforce is described further below in closing.

Program ID: HMS	FY26	0.00 FTE	\$48,276
	FY27	0.00 FTE	\$48,276
Description of Request 4		OWR Adjustment for Collective Bargaining	
		Increases	

This request is for \$48,276 in incremental funding to account for two collective bargaining increases that have taken place since OWR's establishment in FY 2023. At establishment and in subsequent periods, collective bargaining increases were not provided. The request would provide for an equitable work environment in line with other salary range positions with similar credentials and qualifications.

Program ID: HMS	FY26	0.00 FTE	\$40,804
	FY27	0.00 FTE	\$40,804
Description of Requ	uest 5	OWR Request for Personal S	Services Funding

This request is for \$40,804 in incremental funding to provide adequate funding for personal services and an equitable work environment in line with other salary range positions with similar credentials and qualifications. This request was submitted by Governor's Message No. 4 (GM4).

With this supportive funding, our state will be able to systematically and deliberately build and implement a comprehensive framework to better prepare, plan, respond and recover from traumatic events across the state. With the six SoWB positions, along with the other six positions from the Act 291 originating legislation, we hope to continue to build community wellness and resilience for both residents and the overall workforce to:

- 1. Mitigate the impacts of early childhood trauma, also know as adverse childhood experiences (ACEs);
- **2.** Better prepare and respond to large-scale community traumatic and disaster-related events:
- 3. Increase the state's ability to support, recruit and retain a healthy workforce; and
- **4.** Build the clear path between early prevention of trauma and exposure to traumatic stress and the economic impacts of not addressing the core issues related to untreated trauma.

According to a 2023 economic evaluation research study done by the Center for Disease Control<sup>1</sup>, the national economic burden of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) related to adult health conditions and related costs was \$14.1 trillion annually, or \$88,000 per affected adult annually, with a \$2.4 million impact over their lifetimes. Calculated in direct medical costs and lost healthy life-years, it would mean Hawaii's population of 1.4 million, where approximately 1.1 million residents are over the age of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Peterson C, Aslam MV, Niolon PH, et al. Economic Burden of Health Conditions Associated With Adverse Childhood Experiences Among US Adults. JAMA Netw Open. 2023;6(12):e2346323.

19, 58% of those adults had experienced at least one ACEs, **that equates to \$56,144,000,000** of potential individual health care related costs, social service and workforce related costs, loss of income and potential tax collection impacts on those who are not engaged in the economic structure, incarceration and criminal justice costs, economic burden of the healthcare system costs and expenses on individuals.

The impact of our work in the preventative realm, as well as the mid-stream intervention, programmatic and policy work, make this office uniquely positioned in its statute and mandate to impact not only the mental health and well-being of its residents, but also potentially the economic well-being of the state.

The OWR expresses its sincere gratitude for the Legislature's continued support and remains available to address any questions or provide additional information as needed.

Tia L.R. Hartsock, MSW, MSCJA Director, Office of Wellness & Resilience JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA



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#### STATE OF HAWAII KA MOKUʻĀINA O HAWAIʻI

#### **HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY**

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Statement of
Hakim Ouansafi, Executive Director
Hawaii Public Housing Authority

### Before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM – Room 211, Hawaii State Capitol

In consideration of
HB 300, HD1
RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Honorable Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on HB 300, HD1, relating to the State Budget.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) is in <u>strong support with amendments</u> of HB 300, HD1, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

The following budget requests were amended or not included in HB 300, HD1, and the HPHA humbly requests that they be included in the SD1:

#### **HMS 220 - Rental Housing Services (Public Housing)**

Request ID	220RH-H26001
HD1	Reduced to \$1 as a Placeholder
	\$12,000,000: Ka Lei Momi Predevelopment Request Statewide Requested for Predevelopment Planning for Kaahumanu Homes, Lanakila Homes, Kapaa, and Nanakuli Homes.



### Reasons for Request

Among the current criteria considered when awarding Rental Housing Revolving Funds (RHRF) from the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) include project readiness, project cost, and financing efficiency, affordability commitment, tenant amenities, and target households served. These projects will take time to get plans, reviews, and permits and this Predevelopment funding will bring these projects closer to construction in a few years.

HPHA and its redevelopment partner Highridge Costa Development Company have the capacity to move forward with both the construction of Mayor Wright Homes Phase IA and Predevelopment activities. These Predevelopment funds will go towards environmental studies, performing surveys, conducting inspections, creating specifications, drafting blueprints and plans, and obtaining permits. Predevelopment will enable HPHA to continue to move forward with redevelopment plans to demolish functionally obsolete projects that have been marked for major redevelopment and expansion in an effort to develop and deliver urgently needed low-income and new affordable housing units to assist in meeting the goal of the Administration and Legislature for the creation of more affordable housing units.

Request ID	220RH-H26002
HD1	HHFDC Rental Housing Revolving Fund Carve Out
Description of Request	Ka Lei Momi Development Request Statewide \$56,000,000
Reasons for Request	The requested funding will support the demolition of the existing, outdated public housing structures at Mayor Wright Homes and facilitate the construction of 309 new, modern, and energy-efficient affordable housing units. This investment directly aligns with the Administration's and Legislature's strategic priorities to address the state's housing crisis by increasing the supply of high-quality, affordable housing. By replacing obsolete infrastructure with a sustainable, community-oriented development, this project will enhance livability, improve resident outcomes, and contribute to the broader goal of expanding affordable housing opportunities for Hawaii's families.  On page 142, the following provision can be found for the redevelopment of Mayor Wright Homes:  SECTION 12. Provided that of the general obligation bond funds to be deposited into the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation's (BED160) rental housing revolving fund for fiscal year



2025-2026, the sum of \$56,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary shall be utilized for the Hawaii public housing authority's Ka Lei Momi development Mayor Wright Homes project on Oahu; provided further that no funding shall be expended for any other Hawaii public housing authority Ka Lei Momi development project; provided further that if construction does not commence by August 31, 2026, the deposited funds may be utilized for other affordable housing projects of the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation; and provided further that the construction commencement date may be extended with the approval of the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation's board of directors and the governor.

The HPHA is grateful for this appropriation in whatever way the Legislature deems appropriate to enable HPHA to move forward with Phase IA at Mayor Wright Homes. However we would like to highlight the benefits to the State for having a direct appropriation into HPHA's Program ID HMS220 to quickly proceed without administrative delays. Given recent DOGE mandated staffing reductions at the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which are expected to prolong federal approval timelines, we reached out to HUD's HPHA assigned grant managers: the Director of the Office of Public Housing Investments and the Senior Neighborhood & Community Investment Specialist, and they concur that securing direct appropriations would enable HPHA to immediately initiate the federal Section 18 Demo/Dispo process as we will clearly demonstrate to HUD that the project has committed resources, potentially expediting the Section 18 review and advancing the project without unnecessary delays. Neighborhood & Community Investment Specialist stated that "I think direct appropriation from the Legislature makes more sense, especially if it is fairly certain. I know how it goes in Hawaii, so I do think that would add risk using an HHFDC administered fund".

In addition to expediting HUD reviews reducing delays, and accelerating the redevelopment of state-owned public housing, a direct appropriation to HPHA, rather than through HHFDC's RHRF, will significantly enhance our ability to leverage federal funding and lower the project cost for the following reasons:

- Removing unnecessary costs to our large-scale projects through HHFDC-imposed fixed interest charges—costs that would be eliminated with a direct appropriation.
- Demonstrate the State's commitment ("skin in the game"), boosting lender and investor confidence and securing more favorable loan terms and interest rates. Lower interest rates on



large-scale projects will result in millions of dollars in savings over time, which can be reinvested into additional housing.
<ul> <li>Flexibility in allocating a percentage of project cash flow toward RHRF repayment, limiting reinvestment flexibility.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Alignment with the unique financing needs of public housing redevelopment projects.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Eliminate the need for HPHA to submit a separate RHRF application and relieves HHFDC from the time-consuming review, scoring, and loan closing processes—streamlining approvals and accelerating project timelines. The current RHRF process requires multiple administrative steps, resulting in months of delays and duplicated efforts.</li> </ul>

#### **HMS 229 – HPHA Administration**

Request ID	229HA-02 (Companion to 229HA-03)
HD1	Reduced to \$1 as a Placeholder
Description of Request	Request to convert MOF for FTE 62.00 permanent positions from Federal "N" to Revolving "W," and restore 95687K 6-month delay in hiring (FTE Perm (62.00)/N; (\$6,197,294)/N for FY 26; (\$6,221,360)/N for FY 27).
Reasons for Request	This housekeeping change is being requested to reflect the current MOF for personnel.

Request ID	229HA-03 (Companion to 229HA-02)
HD1	Reduced to \$1 as a Placeholder
Description of Request	Request to convert MOF for FTE 62.00 permanent positions from Federal "N" to Revolving "W" (FTE Perm 62.00/W; \$6,221,360/W for FY 26; \$6,221,360/W for FY 27).
Reasons for Request	This housekeeping change is being requested to reflect the current MOF for personnel.

Request ID	229HA-04 (Companion to 229HA-05)
HD1	Reduced to \$1 as a Placeholder
Description of Request	Request to convert MOF for FTE 28.00 temporary positions from Federal "N" to Revolving "W" (FTE Temp (28.00)/N; (\$3,607,108)/N for FY 26; (\$3,607,108)/N for FY 27).



Reasons for	This housekeeping change is being requested to reflect the current
Request	MOF for personnel.

Request ID	229HA-05 (Companion to 229HA-04)
HD1	Reduced to \$1 as a Placeholder
Description of Request	Request to convert MOF for FTE 28.00 temporary positions from Federal "N" to Revolving "W" (FTE Temp 28.00/W; \$3,607,108/W for FY 26; \$3,607,108/W for FY 27).
Reasons for Request	This housekeeping change is being requested to reflect the current MOF for personnel.

Request ID	229HA-09
HD1	Reduced to \$1 as a Placeholder
Description of Request	Request to convert MOF for other current expenses from Federal "N" to Revolving "W" ((\$27,503,020)/N and \$27,503,020/W for FY 26; (\$27,503,020)/N and \$27,503,020/N for FY 27).
Reasons for Request	This housekeeping change is being requested to reflect the current MOF for other expenses.

As we navigate these challenging times, the importance of safe, affordable housing for our community's most vulnerable cannot be overstated. The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) stands ready to address this critical need. Your support in allocating the necessary funding and positions is essential for us to continue providing stable homes for our lowest-income families. By investing in housing, we invest in the health, safety, and future of our entire community. We humbly request prioritizing this much needed funding.





JOSH GREEN, M.D.
GOVERNOR
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#### **Senate Committee on Ways and Means**

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 211, and Videoconference

### In Support H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, Relating to the State Budget

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means:

The Office of the Governor supports H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, Relating to the State Budget. We respectfully ask for your favorable consideration of our Executive Budget requests.

On December 16, 2024, Governor Green, M.D., submitted the Executive Budget for the 2025-2027 Fiscal Biennium (FB) to the Legislature. The Administration's total requests include \$10.5 billion in general funds and \$3.4 billion in Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026, and \$10.5 billion in general funds and \$2.5 billion in CIP for FY 2027. These requests include funding for priority areas to address significant needs in the following areas:

#### 1. Affordable housing and homelessness

- \$50,000,000 in general funds for each fiscal year to restore and increase general fund support for the development, maintenance, and operation of kauhale;
- \$50,000,000 in general obligation (G.O.) bonds for each fiscal year for cash infusions to the Rental Housing Revolving Fund (RHRF);
- \$75,000,000 in G.O. bonds for each fiscal year for cash infusions to the RHRF for Tier II affordable housing projects;
- \$20,000,000 in G.O. bonds for each fiscal year for infusions to the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund (DURF); and
- \$56,000,000 in G.O. bonds for FY 2026 for Mayor Wright and Ka Lei Momi.

#### 2. Healthcare and hazard mitigation

- \$15,000,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for the Healthcare Education Loan Repayment Program (HELP);
- \$87,000,000 in each fiscal year in operating subsidy to support rural health care systems;

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- \$44,000,000 in CIP funding for Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) facilities, including Kea'au Outpatient Center and Kona Community Hospital Emergency Department; and
- \$2,212,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for the Office of the State Fire Marshal to transfer to the Department of Defense.

To support the responsibilities of the Office of the Governor, we respectfully ask for your favorable consideration of the following request:

• Six full-time (6.00 FTE) permanent positions and \$725,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for federal affairs and boards and commissions positions.

The federal landscape has changed drastically within the past few months, with more changes likely on the horizon. Given the speed with which changes occur and the highly fluid nature of these changes, keeping abreast of federal affairs requires more time and resources than in years prior. Analyzing how such changes will, and do, affect the State and strategizing how the State can prepare for and comply with changes are essential to ensuring the State's continued fiscal and programmatic health.

The Office of the Governor, therefore, requests the addition of 5.00 federal affairs positions, 3.00 to be stationed in Washington, D.C., and 2.00 to be here in Hawai'i. These positions will establish and cultivate strong working relationships with federal agencies in D.C. and regionally, opening up direct lines of communication to advocate for the State's priorities and needs. As the State continues to navigate these uncertain times, these federal affairs positions will provide a crucial lifeline through which to facilitate quick responses to and advocacy around federal funding and resources.

The final 1.00 position requested will support the State's more than 170 boards, commissions, councils, committees, and authorities (hereinafter referred to as "boards and commissions"). Over 1,400 state residents serve on one of these state entities, and this number continues to grow with the addition of new boards and commissions as well as the expansion of existing boards and commissions' membership each session. This session, alone, dozens of boards, commissions, councils, committees, and authorities have been proposed.

The Office of the Governor oversees the application and nomination process for all the State's boards and commissions but currently has only one position dedicated to this complex process integral to the filling and effective operations of the State's boards and commissions. Each of the State's 170 boards, commissions, councils, committees, and authorities is governed by its own statute with distinct geographic, background, and term requirements for each member, rendering the recruitment of nominees and the verification of their qualifications and background extremely time consuming and labor intensive. An additional position is critically

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necessary to ensure each applicant and nominee is not only thoroughly vetted but also supported throughout the application and hearing process for these crucial positions.

The Office of the Governor originally requested the transfer from the Office of the Governor to the Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) of six full-time (6.00 FTE) permanent positions and \$470,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for the transfer from the Office of the Governor to DHRD of the Office of Wellness and Resilience (OWR). H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, does not grant this request, removing all funding for OWR from the bill. We respectfully request the committee include this original transfer of positions and funds but amend the destination department from DHRD to the Department of Human Services (DHS).

As the nation's first statewide-legislated office of its kind, OWR leads Hawaii's efforts to become a trauma-informed state. OWR works with community and state stakeholders to strengthen the State's service systems and reimagine workplace wellness. This work is essential to the realization of a healthier, more resilient people of Hawaii, so we humbly ask the committee to favorably consider the transfer of 6.00 (6.00 FTE) permanent positions and \$470,000 in general funds for each fiscal year from the Office of the Governor to DHS.

The Office of the Governor appreciates your consideration of our requests. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR

SYLVIA LUKE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM HAWAI'I EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND

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ADMINISTRATIVE AND RESEARCH OFFICE BUDGET, PROGRAM PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT DIVISION FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION DIVISION OFFICE OF FEDERAL AWARDS MANAGEMENT

#### TESTIMONY BY LUIS P. SALAVERIA DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ON HOUSE BILL NO. 300, H.D.1

March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. Room 211 and Videoconference

#### RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

The Department of Budget and Finance (B&F) prefers and strongly supports the Administration bill.

House Bill (H.B.) No. 300 requests appropriations for FY 2026 and FY 2027 funding requirements for operating and capital improvements program (CIP) projects of the Executive Branch agencies and programs.

Included in H.B. No. 300 are priority B&F funding requests that are necessary to support the operations of the Department and its attached agencies in meeting their statutory obligations. I ask for your favorable consideration for all the B&F requests which include but are not limited to the following:

- Increases debt service payments by \$23,488,005 in FY 26 and \$63,738,821 in FY 27.
- Increases retirement benefits payments by \$41,816,343 in FY 26 and \$76,464,835 in FY 27.
- Increases Health Premium payments by \$57,817,650 in FY 26 and \$74,495,300 in FY 27.

- Adds 3.00 Accountant VI positions and \$272,460 in FY 26 and \$269,460 in FY 27 for the Financial Administration Division.
- Adds \$1,653,691 in both FY 26 and FY 27 for salary increases for all Deputy Public Defender positions.
- Adds \$6,844,527 in other funds in FY 26 and \$2,823,706 in FY 27 to migrate the Employees' Retirement System (ERS) Pension Administration System to a new version.
- Adds \$505,759 in other funds in FY 26 and \$524,083 in other funds in FY 27 for internal compliance testing services.
- Adds \$567,000 in other funds in FY 26 and \$515,000 in FY 27 for additional legal fees for the ERS.
- Adds \$600,000 in other funds in FY 26 for imaging and indexing services for the ERS.
- Adds \$572,695,000 in special fund ceiling in both FY 26 and FY 27 for the Mass
   Transit Special Fund.

It is noted that the H.D.1 adds 5.00 FTE permanent positions and funds for the BUF 101 program which B&F strongly supports. This House adjustment will make permanent 5.00 temporary positions in the Office of Federal Awards Management (OFAM) which are now funded by American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act funds through Fiscal Year 2026. This House adjustment will allow the OFAM to expand its work to plan, organize, direct, coordinate, and conduct federal award activities to advance the management, administration, and oversight of federal awards made to State departments and agencies.

Finally, B&F requests your support regarding the budget proviso sections 6, 7, and 8 in HB No. 300, H.D. 1 which will again allow transfers of unrequired balances between these B&F budgeted fixed cost programs. This is necessary for B&F to ensure the effective and timely implementation of these critical fixed costs payments as required by the statute.

Departmental impact statements and follow up responses have been provided to your staff regarding the changes reflected in H.B. No. 300, H.D.1 and the Departmental B&F budget request items however, please let me know if additional information is required.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this important administration bill.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR

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#### **Testimony of the Public Utilities Commission**

HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

To the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

> March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

Measure: H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1

**Title:** RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

#### Position:

The Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") strongly supports this measure and offers the following comments for consideration.

#### **Comments:**

The Commission is in strong support of this Administration measure that appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

First, the Commission respectfully requests that the Committee reinstate the \$1 million request that was amended by the House Committee on Finance. This is a critical one-time appropriation ceiling increase of \$1 million for consultant services and contracts for Wildfire related services. Since the August 2023 Maui Wildfires, the Commission has taken many initiatives in response to the growing threat of wildfires and other natural hazards to the State. The Commission is currently engaged in efforts to strengthen critical infrastructure, mitigate risks, protect utility customers, and ensure resilient recovery after extreme weather events. For example, the Commission has required regulated utilities to submit natural hazard mitigation plans. This past January, the Commission opened a docket proceeding to review Hawaiian Electric's ("HECO") wildfire mitigation plan (filed on January 10, 2025) and plans to open a docket proceeding to review Kauai Island Utility Cooperative's wildfire mitigation plan that was filed on January 28, 2025.

The Commission will require technical advice on many aspects, including but not limited to, natural hazard (including wildfire) mitigation plans, resilience and reliability of electric utility services, and utility organization.

Second, the Commission is requesting two critical positions: an Engineer V and an Auditor V. The Engineer V is required for implementing Act 166, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, where the Hawaii State Legislature created new sections under Chapter 269, Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS"), which provides a framework for the establishment of a Hawaii Electricity Reliability Administrator ("HERA"). Pursuant to HRS §269-142, the HERA's scope also includes non-utility entities that operate on electric systems (i.e., independent power providers, ancillary service providers, etc.). In addition, due to the high cost of contracting for these services, the Commission plans to move HERA forward by contracting an outside consultant to be the HERA for a 12- to 18-month period. During that time, the consultant will train Commission Engineering Staff, including the new Engineer V, to perform the HERA duties, which builds much-needed engineering capacity and expertise within the Commission, as well as lowers administration costs.

The Auditor V is necessary due to the significant increase in utility rate cases, and the Commission expects this trend to continue primarily from private water and wastewater companies, as well as water carriers. In addition, the Auditor V will provide support for issues related to renewable portfolio standards and the impacts of the wildfires that have increased the number of priority dockets that address HECO's financial stability and rate payer affordability. In 2024, 11 new rate cases were added in addition to the 6 rate cases that are still pending for a total of 17 rate cases, which includes the ongoing HECO Companies Performance Base Ratemaking docket.

Furthermore, the Legislature is currently considering multiple bills affecting the electric utilities that will require specialized expertise in the planning and implementation of any new laws. The ceiling increase will be helpful for the Commission in other areas as well with the growing threat of storm-related power outages, grid restoration and preparation for rebuilding Maui's infrastructure, and direct impacts of other natural disasters to the State.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR | KE KIA'ĀINA

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# Testimony of DAWN N. S. CHANG Chairperson

### Before the Senate Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211, and Videoconference

#### In consideration of HOUSE BILL 300, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

House Bill 300, House Draft 1, proposes to appropriate funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this bill and offers additional comments.** 

#### **Operating Budget:**

The Department respectfully requests your favorable consideration that this measure be amended to include the Department's recommendations in regard to HB300, HD1 adjustments. The following is attached for your reference.

• HB300, HD1 Impact Statement – Operating

Given the uncertainty of federal funding, we respectfully request consideration of an adjustment in the budget to convert select DLNR positions currently funded by discretionary federal funds, MOF P, to a more stable funding source, MOF A. This conversion will increase the capacity of these positions to perform other duties which are not currently performed due to the limitations associated with federal grant requirements. In addition to changing the means of financing, we are requesting the conversion of two (2) temporary positions to permanent.

The Department has identified the following positions that could be converted under this request:

PROG ID	POS NO.	POSITION TITLE	PERM/TEMP (P/T)	STATUS
LNR401	116642	Fish Disaster Relief Prg Coord	Т	Vacant
LNR401	117192	Contract Specialist	Р	Filled
LNR401	118784	Accountant IV	Т	Filled
LNR402	121988	Program Specialist V	Р	Filled

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> A copy of the formal request to the Legislature is attached.

#### Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget:

For the CIP Program budget, the Department respectfully requests that this measure be amended to include all projects as indicated in HB300 and Governor's Message #4. The following are attached for your reference:

- List of the Department's project requests
- HB300, HD1 Impact Statement CIP

In addition, the Department seeks the inclusion of two CIP budget requests that are priorities but were not included in the Governor's budget. These requests are to support the construction of a new permanent Division of Conservation and Resource Enforcement (DOCARE) substation facility in the Wahiawa area.

The new substation will enhance DOCARE's ability to provide enforcement and conservation services to central and northern Oahu due to its strategic location in Wahiawa.

- LNR 405: Add \$1,250,000 in general obligation bond funds for FY26 to supplement the \$1,000,000 FY24 CIP appropriation, ensuring sufficient funding during the land acquisition process.
- LNR 405: Add \$1,200,000 in general obligation bond funds for FY26 for the design of the new DOCARE substation facility and related work.

The Department offers the following, additional comments:

- The Department's mission is to enhance, protect, conserve, and manage Hawai'i's unique and limited natural, cultural, and historic resources held in public trust for current and future generations of the people of Hawai'i nei, and its visitors, in partnership with others from the public and private sectors.
- Projects were selected and prioritized based on wildfire recovery, public safety, compliance, and
  public trust resource protection, in accordance with statutory mandates that guide the
  Department's vision, mission, goals and objectives to manage resources for the benefit of the
  public, and to protect the resources and the public.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

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LNR101	EA	100-001	Add position and funds for two (2) Program Specialist (Exempt) to support the management of funds related to CCMC to carry out the requirements outlined in 225p-3 and support statewide efforts to meet mandated targets		1.00		40,000	1.00		80,000	1.00		40,000	1.00		80,000	None	No impact.		
LNR101	EA	101-001	Add position and funds for one (1) Administrative Assistant V to support the management of funds related to CCMC to carry out the requirements outlined in 225p-3 and support statewide efforts to meet mandated targets		1.00		30,000	1.00		60,000	1.00		30,000	1.00		60,000	None	No impact.		
LNR102	EB	101-001	Fringe Benefits Adjustment	В			2,240			2,240			2,240			2,240	None	No impact.		
LNR111	ВА	60-001	Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Positions	В	(1.00)	(2.00)	(156,948)	(1.00)	(2.00)	(156,948)	(1.00)	(2.00)	(156,948)	(1.00)	(2.00)	(156,948)	None	No impact.		
LNR172	DA	100-001	Forest/Resource Management Improved forest and resource management for fire resilient landscapes, wildlife habitat, endangered species, including critically endangered forest birds	- A			5,000,000			5,000,000			1				\$1 placeholder  House does not agree with amount.	The original request was \$25M, the amount allocated in FY24. The funding for FY24 supported a wide range of forest and resource management projects and programs, including endangered species and forested watershed protection, invasive species control, landscape-scale tree planting, forest bird protection, fire resilience infrastructure and post-fire restoration, land acquisition, and forest health initiatives including rapid ohia death and biocontrol. The FY25 allocation of \$5M, further reduced by the governor to \$2.6M, is implementing improved forest management, invasive species control, and endangered species protection at a significantly reduced level. With historically low water flows in streams, invasive species spreading statewide, and endangered species literally going extinct, a significant increase in funding is needed if we hope to reverse these trends.	3	There are no alternative reductions.
LNR172	DA		Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	Р			950,000			4,380,000			-			-	Federal Fund ceiling adjustment not included on HD1 worksheet.	The federal ceiling adjustment is needed for anticipated federal grant awards.	6	

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LNR401	CA		Transfer out Position #118784 Accountant IV, SR 22 from LNR401 to LNR906 (Salary: \$71,016 and fringe benefits: \$45,450)	Р		(1.00)	(116,466)	(1.00	(116,466)		(1.00)	(116,466)	(	1.00)	(116,466)	None	No impact.		
LNR401	CA		Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	N			(300,500)		(275,500)			(300,500)			(275,500)	None	No impact.		
LNR401	CA	60-001	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	Р			(11,592,866)		(23,846,866)			(11,592,866)			(23,846,866)	None	No impact.		
LNR401	CA	100-001	Fringe Benefits Adjustment	В			2,314		2,314			2,314			2,314	None	No impact.		
LNR402	DA		Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Position	А	(0.50)		(23,502)	(0.50)	(23,502)	-		-	-			House does not concur with deletion of long-term vacant position.  HD1 Version will not delete the FTE and funds.	Division supports the change. We are currently processing the hiring paperwork for the selectee.  The Department does not object to the change.		
LNR402	DB		Change MOF for Position #122002, Planner V, SR 24 from MOF P to N (Salary: \$71,016; Fringe Benefits: \$45,450)	Р		(1.00)	(116,466)	(1.00	(116,466)		(1.00)	(116,466)	(	1.00)	(116,466)	None	No impact.		
LNR402	DA		Change MOF for Position #122002, Planner V, SR 24 from MOF P to N (Salary: \$71,016; Fringe Benefits: \$45,450)	N		1.00	116,466	1.00	116,466		1.00	116,466		1.00	116,466	None	No impact.		
LNR402	DA		Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	N			823,171		823,171			823,171			823,171	None	No impact.		

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LNR402	D. D.	)A		Request for continous funding for twenty-two (22) positions currently funded by the Major Disaster Fund (MDF) for fire and emergency response, and emergency response, Statewide: One Program Specialist V, One (1) Program Specialist V, SR 22; Two (2) Natural Resources Mgt Spec. IV, SR 22; One (1) Forester IV, SR 22; Nine (9) Forestry and Wildlife Worker II, BC 05; Two (2) Heavy Vehicle/ Construction Equipment Mechanic II, WS11; Two (2) Heavy Vehicle/ Construction Machinery Mechanic I, BC 11; Four (4) Heavy Equipment Operator, BC 10; One (1) Automotive Mechanic I, BC 10		22.0C		1,425,696	22.0C		1,425,696	22.00		1,432,728	22.00			Replaced original request for Auto Mechanic I (#96024C) to Heavy Vehicle Construction Equipment Mechanic II (#96030C).	This change will allow us to be consistent with organizational structure across our four districts.  The Department does not object to the change.		
LNR402	D. D.	AC :	1	Add recurring funds to the Hawaii Invasive Species Council for expanded work on priority pests and maintaining emergency response capacity for new pest incursions.	A			4,250,000			4,250,000			3,250,000			3,250,000	Reduced amount for FY26 and FY27.	The reduction in funding will result in capacity shortfalls to critical projects to address infestations of little fire ant and coqui frogs on Oahu, Maui, and Kauai and limit capacity for new infestations that may be detected which is very likely with Kauai discovering a new infestation of Little fire ant every two months. Rapid response capacity for new infestations of CRB and other pests will be reduced from the full request. With federal reductions to many invasive species and biosecurity programs and staff, there will be more pressure on state and local funding to support ongoing efforts for biological control and marine biosecurity. Capacity is needed within HISC for grants and data management, which would provide critical support for the development of a performance and current situation dashboard and to identify new funding opportuntiles as federal funding wanes.	2	There are no alternative reductions.
LNR402	2 D	DA :	1	Add funds to support statewide invasive ant research and control to be carried out by the Hawaii Ant Lab.	A			500,000			500,000			500,000			500,000	None	No impact.		

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LNR40	2 DA	104-001	Add funds for fire pre- suppression, readiness, response, and post-fire restoration and rehabilitation	A			4,000,000			-			7,425,000				Increased amount for FY 26 and added funding for FY 27.	The increase will allow us to fully fund the Hawaii Wildfire Management Organization, priority community fuels reduction projects, and better manage hazard fuels across DOFAW-managed lands.  The Department does not object to the change.		
LNR40	2 DA	105-001	Governor's Adjustment: West Maui Fire Prevention: Ukumehame Wetland and Stream, Maui	А			3,000,000			-			3,000,000			-	None	No impact.		
LNR40	4 GC	100-001	Funding for cooperative joint funding agreements with United States Geological Survey to carry out hydrologic data collection, analyses, and investigations tied to court orders and responses to water resource management challenges on Maui.	A			400,000			400,000			400,000			400,000	None	No impact.		
LNR40	4 GC	102-001	Funding for Central Maui Hydrologic Study to analyze existing groundwater data and assess accuracy of hydrologic boundaries for aquifer systems in Central Maui. \$150,000 Non-Recurring				250,000			150,000			250,000			150,000	None	No impact.		
LNR40	4 GC	103-001	Funding for hydrologic investigations of existing groundwater data and modelling to revise sustainable yields, with prioirty given to the Lahaina Aquifer System.	A			200,000			200,000			200,000			200,000	None	No impact.		

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LNR404	GC		Funding for Hawai'i Mesonet network of telemetered climate stations in cooperation with the University of Hawai'i Water Resources Research Center to carry out hydrologic data collection, analyses, management, and dissemination.	А			350,000		350,000			350,000		350,000	None	No impact.		
LNR405	НА	60-001	Federal Fund Ceiling	N			(360,171)		(360,171)	\		(360,171)		(360,171)	None	No impact.		
LIVICAUS	114	00 001	Adjustment	'`			(500,171)		(300,171)			(500,171)		(300,171)	None	No impact.		
LNR405	НВ	61-001	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	Р			(800,000)		(800,000)	)		(800,000)		(800,000)	None	No impact.		
LNR405	HA	62-001	Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Position	А	(1.00)	)	(110,253)	(1.00)	(110,253)	(1.00)		(110,253)	(1.00)	(110,253)	None	No impact.		
LNR405	НА		Increase Personal Services Funding for CREO I to CREO III Salary Adjustments for sixty- two (62) positions.	А			616,272		616,272			616,272		616,272	None	No impact.		
LNR405	НА		Increase Other Current Expenditures Funding to Support Increase in Staffing/Enforcement Capacity	А			500,000		500,000			500,000		500,000	None	No impact.		
LNR405	НА		Contingent Personal Services Support for Disaster and Emergency Response Operations and Extended Law Enforcement Operations	В			1,500,000		1,500,000			512,875		512,875	Decreased original request by \$987,125  Means of Financing is still showing as MOF B (Special Fund)	Funds to support extended operations for natural disasters, unplanned emergencies and extended law enforcement operations will be limited. MOF Change from MOF B to MOF A is needed because there are no sustainable special funds.  The DOCARE Special Fund does not generate revenue and therefore will not be able to sustain the funding needed for this request.	4	There are no alternative reductions for this request.
LNR407	NA		Reduce funds for Maui Axis Deer Program	A			(6,165,000)		(6,165,000)			(3,790,000)		(4,165,000)	Non-recurring Adjustment  Reduced the amount of funding to be taken away from the Maui Axis Deer Program.	This funding will provide continued support for axis deer control.  The Department does not object to the change.		
LNR407	NA	61-001	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	Р			(22,707,357)		(22,707,357)			(22,707,357)		(22,707,357)	None	No impact.		
LNR407	NA	100-001	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	N			190,000		190,000			190,000		190,000	None	No impact.		

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LNR801	СН	70-001	Change MOF for three (3) BORHA II from MOF A to MOF B	A	(3.00)		(141,012)	(3.00)		(141,012)	(3.00)		(141,012)	(3.00)		(141,012)	None	No impact.		
LNR801	СН	70-001	Change MOF for three (3) BORHA II from MOF A to MOF B (#122224, #122226, and #122227)	В	3.00		231,260	3.00		231,260	3.00		231,260	3.00		231,260	None	No impact.		
LNR801	СН	100-001	Fringe Benefits Adjustment	В			162,351			162,351			162,351			162,351	None	No impact.		
LNR802	HP	100-001	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	N			104,767			104,767			104,767			104,767	Change breakdown from all OCE to: Personal Svcs: \$94,290 Others: \$10,477	The Department supports this change - this will align with the federal budget.  The Department does not object to the change.		
LNR804	DA	60-001	Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Position	A	(1.50)		(79,872)	(1.50)		(79,872)	-		-	-			House does not concur with deletion of position.  HD1 Version will not delete positions and funds.	Division supports the change. We are currently processing the hiring paperwork for the selectee for 1 FTE and the .5 FTE is being requested for MOF change from A to N (SEQ 70-001)  The Department does not object to the change.		
LNR804	DA	70-001	Change MOF for unfunded Position #12075 from MOF A (0.5 FTE) to MOF N	A	(0.50)		-	(0.50)		-	(0.50)		-	(0.50)		-	None	No impact.		
LNR804	DA	70-001	Change MOF for unfunded Position #12075 from MOF A (0.5 FTE) to MOF N (Salary 28,596 & Fringe 18,301)	N	0.50		46,897	0.50		46,897	0.50		46,897	0.50		46,897	None	No impact.		
LNR806	FI	100-001	Ceiling increase for Motor Vehicles (non-recurring)	В			1,000,000			1,000,000			1,000,000			1,000,000	None	No impact.		
LNR806	FI	100-001	Ceiling increase for Equipment (non-recurring)	В			1,000,000			1,000,000			1,000,000			1,000,000	None	No impact.		
LNR810	GD	100-001	Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	P			10,034,475			672,683			10,034,475			672,683	None	No impact.		

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LNR810	GD	101-001	Add recurring funding for two (2) permanent positions and operating funds from Act 134, SLH 2023 into the LNR810 base budget to support the dam and appurtenance improvement and removal grant program. This request includes one (1) Planner V (\$75,000), one (1) Accountant V (\$75,000), and operating funds (\$70,000).		1.00		110,000	1.00		110,000	1.00		110,000	1.00		110,000	None	No impact.		
LNR810	GD	102-001	Add recurring Special Fund ceiling for the Dam and Appurtenances Improvement or Removal Grant Program Special Fund (S-350) to continue the purposes of Act 134, SLH 2023.	В			5,000,000			5,000,000			5,000,000			5,000,000	None	No impact.		
LNR810	GD	103-001	Fringe Benefits Adjustment	В			1,097			1,097			1,097			1,097	None	No impact.		
LNR906	AA	30-001	Transfer in Position #118784 Accountant IV, SR 22 from LNR401 to LNR906 (Salary: \$71,016 and fringe benefits: \$45,450)	P		1.00	116,466		1.00	116,466		1.00	116,466		1.00	116,466	None	No impact.		
LNR906	AA	70-001	Housekeeping: ACT 230, SLH 2024 inadvertently provided \$141,230 in general funds instead of increasing the special fund ceiling in Personnel Costs	A			(151,838)			(151,838)			(151,838)			(151,838)				
LNR906	AA	70-001	Housekeeping: ACT 230, SLH 2024 inadvertently provided \$141,230 in general funds instead of increasing the special fund ceiling in Personnel Costs	В			151,838			151,838			151,838			151,838	Funding source on HD1 refereneces SLDF when it should be coming from various special funds	This request is only for housekeeping adjustment and should <b>not</b> change the funding for these positions.  These positions' salaries and fringe benefits are currently allocated and partially funded by the various special funds of the department.	5	

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LNR906	AA		Add position and funds for the department's Labor Relations/EEO program staff to provide timely and comprehensive advisement to the department in matters involving employer/employee relations, equal employment opportunity, and reasonable accommodations: Human Resources Specialist V (FTE 1.00, \$86,376).	A	1.00		43,188	1.00		86,376	1.00		43,188	1.00		86,376	None	No impact.		
LNR906	AA		Federal Fund Ceiling Adjustment	Р			116,466			116,466			116,466			116,466	None	No impact.		
LNR906	AA	:	Add funds to existing, filled positions to reallocate positions to comparable positions at DHRD based on delegation of recruitment activities: #2735 Human Resources Specialist IV to V (FTE 1.00, \$20,880); #120761 Human Resources Specialist IV to V (FTE 0.12, \$492).	A			21,372			21,372			21,372			21,372	None	No impact.		
LNR906	AA	:	Add funds to existing, filled positions to reallocate positions to comparable positions at DHRD based on delegation of recruitment activities: #2735 Human Resources Specialist IV to V (FTE 1.00, \$20,880); #120761 Human Resources Specialist IV to V (FTE 0.12, \$492).	В			21,058			21,058			21,058				Funding source on HD1 references Conservation and Resources Enforcement Special Fund.	The salaries and fringe benefits of the two (2) positions are currently allocated and partially funded by the various special funds of the department.  The DOCARE Special Fund does not generate revenue and therefore will not be able to sustain the funding needed for this request.	1	
LNR906	AA		Add funds for Economic Development Specialist	A			83,064			83,064			83,064			83,064	None	No impact.		

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LNR906	5 AA	Website Con permits, licei reservations conduct recr commercial a	nt and ation of the DLNR nsolidation of enses, and sneeded to creational and activities regulated artment: website maintenance,	A			1,448,167			1,455,197			1,448,167			1,455,197	None	No impact.		
LNR906	5 AA	104-001 Fringe Benef	fits Adjustment	В			150,076			150,076			150,076			150,076	None	No impact.		
LNR909	AD AD	from OCE to	sitions. Transfer	A								7.00			7.00		Add seven (7) temp positions: -1 Authority Exec Asst. \$80,000 -1 Cultural Spec. \$120,000 -1 Comm Specialist \$120,000 -1 Educational Spec \$120,000 -1 Environmental Specialist \$ 120,000 -1 Accountant \$100,000 -1 Account Clerk \$70,000  Transfer \$730,000 from Other Current Expenses to Personal Services	Budget-neutral, no detrimental impact. Added positions will greatly assist in meeting MKSOA's needs as it works to fulfill its mandate under Act 255 during its 5-year transition period.		

#### DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES HB300, HD1 IMPACT STATEMENT FB 2025-27 BIENNIUM BUDGET - CIP

		FB 2025-27 REQUESTS & GM #4			HB300. HD1			Changes made by HB300,					Priority to Restore	
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LNR101 CESSPOOL CLOSURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH EPA CONSENT ORDER, STATEWIDE	PLANS, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT FOR CLOSURE OF LARGE CAPACITY CESSPOOLS (LCC) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONSENT AGREEMENT AND FINAL ORDER (CA/FO) WITH THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA).	В	1,500,000	-	В	1,500,000	-				House concurs.			
LNR101 EAST KAPOLEI TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, OAHU	PLANS AND DESIGN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF FOUR DLNR PARCELS ADJACENT AND NEARBY THE KEONEAE RAIL STATION.	В	500,000	<del>-</del>	В	500,000	-	-			House concurs			
LNR101 LAND ACQUISITION TO SUPPORT THE NORTH SHORE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLAN, OAHU	PLANS, LAND ACQUISITION, AND DESIGN FOR ACQUISITION, DUE DILIGENCE, AND EIS FOR PARCEL LOCATED AT TMK: 640010150000.	-	-	,	С	5,000,000	-	С	5,000,0	000	House adds request and \$5,000,000.	The Department is currently involved in several acquisition projects, including the Wahiawa Irrigation System, a property in Wahiawa for a DOCARE substation, and the former Hawaii Pacific University campus in Kaneohe. Adding another acquisition could delay progress on these current acquisition projects. Further, the Department does not have sufficient information as to why the parcel is being acquired. If the purpose of the acquisition is to support the North Shore Sustainable Communities Plan, perhaps the appropriation should be directed to the City.		NA
LNR101 LOWER KAPAHI RESERVOIR REMOVAL, KAUAI	PLANS AND DESIGN FOR BREACH OF LOWER KAPAHI RESERVOIR TO COMPLY WITH DAM SAFETY REGULATIONS.	В	500,000	-	В	500,000	-	-			House concurs			
LNR101 POHOIKI SAFE SWIM AREA, HAWAII	PLANS AND DESIGN INCLUDING FEASIBILITY STUDY AND SITE SELECTION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SAFE SWIM AREA LOCATED IN POHOIKI.	-	-	-	С	1,300,000	-	С	1,300,0	-	House adds request and \$1,300,000.	Land Division does not construct or manage recreational swim areas. The County of Hawaii has Isaac Hale Beach Park in Pohoiki and the Department suggests the County may be a more appropriate recipient of this appropriation. Tasking Land Division with this project will distract from its core mission of public lands management.	NA	NA
LNR101 ROCK WALL REPAIRS AND STORM MITIGATION, MAUI	PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR ROCK WALL REPAIRS AND STORM MITIGATION AT TMK 3-9-001-012-000.	-	-	-	С	294,000	-	С	294,0	-	House adds request and \$294,000.	This parcel is under long-term lease GL4544 to the Episcopal Church in Hawaii for church and allied purposes. Lessee is responsible for maintaining all buildings and improvements on the property in good order, condition and repair. Because the State has no obligation to repair rock walls or mitigate flooding on the property, the Department questions whether CIP funds could properly be expended for the lessee's benefit if appropriated.	NA	NA
LNR101 SHANGRI LA BREAKWATER REMOVAL, OAHU	PLANS AND DESIGN FOR DEMOLITION OF STATE- OWNED STRUCTURE LOCATED IN THE OCEAN SEAWARD OF THE SHANGRI LA MUSEUM.	В	700,000	-	В	700,000	-	-			House concurs.			

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	ROCKFALL AND FLOOD MITIGATION, STATEWIDE		С	2,000,000	2,000,000	C	2,000,000	2,000,000	-	-	-	House concurs.	impact of change	to do v s budget)	opposed reductions
.NR401	WAHIAWA FISHING ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS, OAHU	CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT FOR WAHIAWA RESERVOIR FLOATING DOCK AND PAD AND FISHING PADS ALONG THE BANK ADJACENT TO THE BOAT LAUNCH RAMP, AND RELATED WORK.	С	400,000	-	-	-	-	С	(400,000)	-	House does not concur.	Access to Wahiawa Reservoir for fishing will continue to be limited.		
LNR401	ANUENUE FISHERIES RESEARCH CENTER ANNEX, ROOF REPAIR/PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM INSTALLATION, OAHU (GM #4)	PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR ROOF REPAIR AND INSTALLATION OF A PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM AT THE ANUENUE FISHERIES RESEARCH CENTER ANNEX (AFRC ANNEX)		750,000	-	-	-	-	С	(750,000)	-	House does not concur.	If the project is deferred, DAR staff will continue to work in a leaky building. The Hawaii Coral Restoration Nursery (HCRN) will not be able to expand into this suitable site and may not be able to meet its contractual coral reef restoration obligations. If these improvements are deferred, staff will continue working in suboptimal		
_NR402	POHAKEA FIRE PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION INFRASTRUCTURE, MAUI	PLANS, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPMENT FOR A SECTION OF DLNR LANDS IN WEST MAUI HIGHLY PRONE TO WILDFIRE DUE TO INVASIVE GRASSES. THE RECENT ACQUISITION OF THREE WELLS AND A 750,000-GALLON WATER TANK WILL ENABLE THE BRANCH TO REPLACE HAZARDOUS FUEL LOADS WITH GREEN BREAKS, RIPARIAN CORRIDORS, AND GRAZING BREAKS.	С	1,750,000	-	С	1,750,000	-	-	-	,	House concurs.			
.NR402	INSTALL SOLAR PANELS AND BATTERIES FOR WAIMEA STATE TREE NURSERY AND BASE YARD, HAWAII (GM #4)	CONSTRUCTION FOR SOLAR PANELS AT A BASE YARD THAT SERVES AS DOFAW'S INCIDENT COMMAND POST AND OPERATIONS CENTER FOR RESPONDING TO WILDLAND FIRE AND OTHER EMERGENCIES IN WEST HAWAII. THIS BACK UP SYSTEM IS NECESSARY FOR DOFAW TO RESPOND AND ASSIST IN THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC AND INFRASTRUCTURE.	С	500,000	-	-	-	-	С	(500,000)	ī	House does not concur.	No additional renewable energy capacity		
NR404	DEEP MONITOR WELLS, STATEWIDE	PLANS, LAND ACQUISITION, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION TO CONSTRUCT AND/OR REPAIR DEEP MONITOR WELLS STATEWIDE TO MONITOR THE HEALTH OF DRINKING WATER AQUIFERS; GROUND AND SITE IMPROVEMENTS, AND OTHER RELATED WORK.	С	2,000,000	2,000,000	С	2,000,000	2,000,000	-	-	1	House concurs.			
NR404	KEAUHOU AQUIFER SYSTEM, HAWAII	PLANS, LAND ACQUISITION, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR TWO DEEP MONITOR WELLS FOR THE KEAUHOU AQUIFER SYSTEM TO MONITOR THE HEALTH OF THE DRINKING WATER AQUIFER; GROUND AND SITE IMPROVEMENTS, AND OTHER RELATED WORK.	-	-	-	С	4,000,000	-	С	4,000,000	-	House adds request and \$4,000,000.	CWRM supports. Requested by CWRM outside of Gov's budget because the need was identified after Gov's budget was submitted. Discussed with and supported by the area legislator.	N/A	N/A

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	DOCARE HAWAII BRANCH OFFICE BUILDING RENOVATION, HAWAII	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR THE RENOVATION OF THE DOCARE HAWAII BRANCH OFFICE DUE TO SEVERE TERMITE INFESTATION RESULTING IN MAJOR DAMAGE TO THE STRUCTURE, INCLUDING INTERIOR WALLS, SUPPORT BEAMS, DOORS, AND RELATED WORK.	C	3,000,000	-	С	1,000	-	C	(2,999,000)		House modifies to \$1,000*	Required renovations would not be able to proceed. Facility may be rendered unusable and unfit for employee use due to health and safety issues. DOCARE will need to potentially seek an alternative base of operations within Hawaii County, which may potentially increase costs	1	There are no alternative reductions.
LNR405	DOCARE MAUI BRANCH OFFICE BUILDING RENOVATION, MAUI	PLANS AND DESIGN TO REPLACE THE MAUI DOCARE BRANCH OFFICE BUILDING ROOFING, WINDOWS, DOORS AND ASSOCIATED FRAMING, AND RELATED WORK.	С	800,000	-	С	1,000	-	С	(799,000)	-	House modifies to \$1,000*	Required renovations would not be able to proceed. Facility may have increased potential for mold growth due to continuing roof leakage and window problems, which may increase risk for continued employee use due to health and safety issues. This increased risk may cause DOCARE to seek an alternative base of operations within Maui County, which may potentially increase costs.	1	There are no alternative reductions.
LNR407	KAWAINUI MARSH, OAHU	PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION OF WATER TRANSFER SYSTEM FROM KAWAINUI MARSH ACROSS THE KAWAINUI FLOOD CONTROL LEVEE TO HAMAKUA MARSH AND IMPROVEMENTS TO ROAD AND ACCESS TO KAWAINUI FLOOD CONTROL LEVEE FOR MAINTENANCE TO USACE STANDARDS.		-	-	С	2,200,000	-	С	2,200,000	-	Housea adds request and \$2,200,000.	Public safety improvements to the Kawainui Flood Control Levee and improved water quality in the Kaelepulu stream system. Restoration of a portion of the original water flow for Kawainui.		
LNR407	WATERSHED PROTECTION AND INITIATIVES, STATEWIDE	PLANS, LAND ACQUISITION, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPMENT TO PROTECT AND RESTORE FORESTED WATERSHEDS AND OTHER WATER SUPPLIES, STATEWIDE; EQUIPMENT AND APPURTENANCES, AND ALL PROJECT RELATED COSTS. THE LEGISLATURE FINDS AND DECLARES THAT THE APPROPRIATION IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND FOR THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH, SAFETY AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE STATE.	С	5,000,000	5,000,000	С	5,000,000	5,000,000	-	-	-	House concurs.			
NR407	INSTALL SOLAR PANELS AND BATTERIES IN BASEYARDS, OAHU (GM #4)	PLANS, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPMENT FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR BRANCH OPERATIONS TO ENSURE OPERABILITY DURING EMERGENCIES.	С	150,000	-	-	-	-	С	(150,000)	-	House does not concur.	No additional renewable energy capacity		
LNR801	KAWAIHAE NORTH SMALL BOAT HARBOR, HAWAI	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO HARBOR DOCK, BREAK WALL AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS.	-	-	-	С	9,600,000	-	С	9,600,000	=	House adds request and \$9,600,000.	DOBOR supports. Requested by DOBOR outside of Gov's budget because the need arose after Gov's budget was submitted. Discussed with WAM/FIN and the area legislator.	N/A	N/A
_NR801	LAHAINA SMALL BOAT HARBOR MAINTENANCE DREDGING, MAUI	CONSTRUCTION FOR MAINTENANCE DREDGING OF HARBOR BASIN AND ENTRANCE CHANNEL.	С	5,000,000	-	С	5,000,000	-	-	-	-	House concurs.			
_NR801	LAHAINA SMALL BOAT HARBOR RECONSTRUCTION OF OUTER MARGINAL WHARF, MAUI	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF HARBOR OUTER MARGINAL WHARF DESTROYED BY AUGUST 2023 WILDFIRES.		8,000,000	-	С	8,000,000	-	-	-	-	House concurs.			
LNR801	MANELE SMALL BOAT HARBOR, LANAI	PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR REPAIRS NECESSARY TO OPEN THE CLOSED SECTION OF ROADWAY AT MANELE SMALL BOAT HARBOR.	-	-	-	С	2,500,000	-	С	2,500,000	-	House adds request and \$2,500,000.	DOBOR supports. Area legislator approached DOBOR with the proposal, and DOBOR provided the estimated amount needed.	N/A	N/A

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Prog ID Project Title  LNR802 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION (SHPD) HILO OFFICE RENOVATIONS, HAWAII	Description  PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR RENOVATIONS TO TMK 22058004 THAT WILL PROVIDE A NEW, LARGER, AND COMPLIANT OFFICE AND STORAGE SPACE FOR THE SHPD STAFF ON HAWAII ISLAND AND RELATED WORK.	MOF C	FY 26 700,000	FY 27 -	MOF C	<b>FY 26</b> 1,000	FY 27 -	MOF C	FY 26 FY 3 (699,000)	Description of Change House modifies to \$1,000*	Impact of Change  SHPD's current Hilo office does not provide adequate office space, library space for historic documents, and secure storage space for curation of artifacts relating to historic preservation. The current facility is beyond its useful life and has become a maintenance and safety issue. These funds are needed to plan and design renovations of an existing State facility in Hilo that SHPD can relocate to, which will fulfil SHPD's needs for more office space and secure storage and library space.	(1 = highest priority to restore funding to GOV's budget)	Alternative Reduction to Any Opposed Reductions
LNR804 KAIWA RIDGE TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS, OAHU	CONSTRUCTION OF KAIWA RIDGE TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS, EROSION CONTROL, AND HABITAT RESTORATION, PHASE 2.	-	-	-	С	1,300,000	-	С	1,300,000	- House adds request and \$1,300,000.	Improvements to public safety and environmental quality		
LNR804 POLOLU TRAILHEAD AND HISTORIC TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS, HAWAII	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR TRAILHEAD IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING MINIMAL PARKING CONSTRUCTION; NEW LOOKOUT CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING. HISTORIC TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS WILL REPAIR DECADES-LONG EROSION.	-		-	С	1,000,000	-	С	1,000,000	- House adds request and \$1,000,000.	Improvemnts to a popular recreational and cultural area for public safety, environmental quality, and visitor experience.		
LNR806 STATE PARKS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS, LUMP SUM, STATEWIDE	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO STATE PARKS (WAILUA RIVER SP, PUA'A KA'A SW, WAILOA RIVER SRA, KEOLONAHIHI SHP, KEAIWA HEIAU SRA), STATEWIDE. THIS PROJECT IS DEEMED NECESSARY TO QUALIFY FOR		2,650,000	-	С	1,000	-	-	(2,649,000)	- House modifies to \$1,000*	DSP does not concur with the changes. For health and safety reasons, funding is necessary to proceed with facility improvements.		There are no alternative reductions.
	FEDERAL AID REIMBURSEMENT AND/OR FINANCING.	N	500,000	-	N	1,000	-	-	(499,000)	- House modifies to \$1,000*	Federal funding is necessary to support DSP projects.	1	There are no alternative reductions.

<sup>\*</sup> If \$1,000 means that the information received doesn't line up, that there is missing information from the Department, or that it may be moving in another bill.

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Subtotals by MOF: В 3,200,000 - B 3,200,000 32,700,000 9,000,000 50,948,000 9,000,000 С С 500,000 - N 1,000 TOTALS - ALL MOF 54,149,000 9,000,000 36,400,000 9,000,000

#### **DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

Brog ID	Dreiget Title		FB 2025-27 STS & GM #4	
Prog ID	Project Title	FY 26	FY 27	MOF
A. ECON	OMIC DEVELOPMENT			•
LNR141	ROCKFALL AND FLOOD MITIGATION, STATEWIDE	2,000,000	2,000,000	С
D. ENVIR	ONMENTAL PROTECTION			•
LNR401	WAHIAWA FISHING ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS, OAHU	400,000	-	С
LNR402	POHAKEA FIRE PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION INFRASTRUCTURE, MAUI	1,750,000	-	С
LNR404	DEEP MONITOR WELLS, STATEWIDE	2,000,000	2,000,000	С
LNR405	DOCARE MAUI BRANCH OFFICE BUILDING RENOVATION, MAUI	800,000	-	С
LNR405	DOCARE HAWAII BRANCH OFFICE BUILDING RENOVATION, HAWAII	3,000,000	-	С
LNR407	WATERSHED PROTECTION AND INITIATIVES, STATEWIDE	5,000,000	5,000,000	С
LNR401	ANUENUE FISHERIES RESEARCH CENTER ANNEX, ROOF REPAIR/PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM INSTALLATION, OAHU (GM #4)	750,000		С
LNR402	INSTALL SOLAR PANELS AND BATTERIES FOR WAIMEA STATE TREE NURSERY AND BASE YARD, HAWAII (GM #4)	500,000		С
LNR407	INSTALL SOLAR PANELS AND BATTERIES IN BASEYARDS, OAHU (GM #4)	150,000		С
C. CULTI	JRE AND RECREATION	•		•
	STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION (SHPD) HILO OFFICE RENOVATIONS, HAWAII	700,000		С
LNR806	STATE PARKS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS, LUMP SUM, STATEWIDE	2,650,000		С
LNR806	STATE PARKS INFRASTRUCTURE AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS, LUMP SUM, STATEWIDE	500,000		N
LNR801	LAHAINA SMALL BOAT HARBOR MAINTENANCE DREDGING, MAUI	5,000,000	-	С
LNR801	LAHAINA SMALL BOAT HARBOR RECONSTRUCTION OF OUTER MARGINAL WHARF, MAUI	8,000,000	-	С
K. GOVE	RNMENT-WIDE SUPPORT	•		
LNR101	EAST KAPOLEI TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, OAHU	500,000	-	В
LNR101	CESSPOOL CLOSURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH EPA CONSENT ORDER, STATEWIDE	1,500,000	-	В
LNR101	SHANGRI LA BREAKWATER REMOVAL, OAHU	700,000	-	В
LNR101	LOWER KAPAHI RESERVOIR REMOVAL, KAUAI	500,000	-	В

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The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz Senate Committee on Ways and Means Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 208 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

#### Aloha Chair Dela Cruz:

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Given the uncertainty of federal funding, conversion to MOF A is preferred by DLNR to ensure continued program stability and workforce security. This conversion will increase the capacity of these positions to perform other duties which are not currently performed due to the limitations associated with federal grant requirements – federal aid policy requires expenditures be identifiable and allocable to a particular federal award and incurred specifically for a particular federal grant. Additionally, general funded positions are recoverable indirect costs.

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# STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

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TESTIMONY OF KALI WATSON, CHAIR
HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION
BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
HEARING ON MARCH 18, 2025 AT 10:00AM IN CR 211

#### HB 300, HD1, RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

March 18, 2025

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill 300, HD1, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 and includes funding for our two (2) programs, HHL 602 – Planning and Development for Hawaiian Homesteads and HHL 625 – Administration and Operating Support. House Bill 300, HD1 includes \$16,832,073 in general funds each year for FY 2026 and FY 2027 to cover the department's existing personnel, administrative and operating costs in HHL 625. The increase of \$1 in each fiscal year in HB300, HD1, is a place holder to indicate that additional information is needed on the request for \$2,000,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for personal services reflected in GM4. DHHL is requesting a restoration of funding for nineteen (19.00) unfunded FTE as well as additional FTE for the Department's district offices to provide operational support and ensure that our unencumbered lands and homesteads are maintained and safely managed.

The budget bill also includes requests for \$10 million in general funds, \$4,824,709 in special funds, \$3,740,534 in trust funds, \$7 million in revolving funds, \$24,126,731 in authorization to receive federal funds, and \$20 million in CIP funding for each fiscal year. DHHL supports the addition of \$200,000 in CIP funding for the Haiku Valley Omega Station Access Road that was added in HB300, HD1.

The Hawaiian Homes Commission approved the "Sufficient Sums" budget request, which DHHL submitted to the Governor and the Legislature as detailed in our budget testimony that can be reviewed at:

https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/sessions/session2025/testimony/Info Testimony WAM 01-06-25 HHL.pdf. DHHL's obligation to make this request is clear.

We are most appreciative of the support given by the Legislature to the Hawaiian homes program. Thank you for your consideration of our testimony.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA



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#### **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

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March 17, 2025

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TO: The Honorable Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair

Senate Committee on Ways & Means

FROM: Ryan I. Yamane, Director

SUBJECT: HB 300 HD1 – RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

Hearing: March 18, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Conference Room 211 & Videoconference, State Capitol

<u>DEPARTMENT'S POSITION</u>: The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports this measure and appreciates the House Committee on Finance's focus on core and safety net programs given the State's most recent economic forecast approach and federal policies. DHS provides comments on the impacts of the HD1 amendments. Lastly, DHS respectfully requests an amendment to add the budget of the Office of Wellness and Resilience per the forthcoming Governor's Message.

DHS leadership thanks the Legislature for its continuing support of the department's staff and operational needs. DHS continues to provide vital benefits and services to Hawaii residents as we modernize our information systems and business processes.

We acknowledge that many Hawaii residents are struggling to make ends meet and continue to apply for and require government assistance at near-record levels. We recognize the immense value of the hardworking human services workforce and community providers who strive to provide services with Aloha in timely and responsive ways. We know residents' and workers' success and well-being depend on safe and stable living and working environments, and having resources.

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**PURPOSE**: This bill appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

# **Impacts of HD 1 Amendments**

Relevant to DHS, the Committee on Finance amended DHS budget requests by:

- Changing the Office of Youth Services (OYS) <u>501YA-02</u> funds request for Youth Violence Prevention to **non-recurring** for the out years FY28 and beyond. The impact of designating the appropriation as non-recurring makes long-term planning at both the state level and community provider level difficult. These programs will close if funding ends in FY28.
- Changing the OYS <u>501YA-06</u> funds request for Sex Trafficking Victim Support to **non-recurring** for FY28 and beyond. The impact of designating the appropriation as non-recurring makes long-term planning at both the state level and community provider level difficult. These programs will close if funding ends in FY28.
- Changing the State Office on Homelessness & Housing Solutions (SOHHS) <u>777HH-01</u> request for additional Kauhale funds to a **\$1 placeholder**. The \$1 placeholder impacts future operation and maintenance of existing Kauhale and will stall necessary work to plan and develop additional Kauhale sites statewide.
- Changing the SOHHS <u>777HH-BF1</u> operating budget to a \$1 placeholder. The \$1 placeholder on the operating budget impacts the continuity of the office of the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, the leadership needed for the State to address coordinated solutions to homelessness statewide, and the development of housing initiatives.
- Not concurring with the Benefit, Employment & Support Services Division (BESSD)'s
   <u>903FA-05</u> request for funds to start a SNAP Smart Food Program. Without funding, DHS
   will not be able to establish a program to allow Hawaii food producers and retailers to
   make specific surplus food items available at discounts to SNAP recipients in the specific
   stores where surplus inventories are identified through a mobile application. This
   initiative is to help address food insecurity for SNAP individuals and families.
- Changing MQD's <u>401PE-01</u> request to establish the Special Fund Appropriation Ceiling for the Nursing Facility Sustainability Special Fund to **non-recurring**. If the ceiling is non-recurring, DHS will have to request to establish it again in the next fiscal biennium budget for SFYs 2027-29. The uncertainty for the out years may result in a hesitancy to make any changes to the sustainability program as there would be no authority to spend these funds after FY 2027. If there was no authority to spend from the nursing facility special fund, the increased reimbursement rates and the quality, pay-for-performance program for nursing facilities that these funds support would be cut, which would hurt access to care and threaten the financial viability of the nursing facilities.
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- Changing the Med-QUEST Division's (MQD) 902IA-01 request to establish a Special Fund Appropriation Ceiling for the Hospital Sustainability Special Fund to non-recurring. If the ceiling is non-recurring, DHS will have to request to establish the ceiling again in the next fiscal biennium budget for SFYs 2027-29. The uncertainty for the out years may result in a hesitancy to make any changes to the sustainability program as there would be no authority to spend these funds after FY 2027.
- Changing the MQD's <u>902IA-02</u> request to establish a Special Fund Appropriation Ceiling for the Nursing Facility Sustainability Special Fund **to non-recurring**. If the ceiling is nonrecurring, DHS will have to request to establish the ceiling again in the next fiscal biennium budget for SFYs 2027-29. The uncertainty for the out years may result in a hesitancy to make any changes to the sustainability program as there would be no authority to spend these funds after FY 2027.
- The HD1 funds both years of MQD's 401PE-07 request to add general funds for the Child Wellness Incentive Pilot Program and designates the appropriation as non-recurring. The Child Wellness Incentive Pilot Program established in Act 127, SLH 2022, will sunset on June 30, 2027. Act 127, SLH 2022, makes a \$50 payment to each state Medicaid benefit recipient for each completed well-child examination of that recipient parent's child, provided that only one payment may be made per child each year.

Below are complete descriptions of the budget requests (on page 23, Capital Improvement Project Requests, and on page 26, Operating Budget Requests).

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority will provide its comments on the HD1's impacts on its budget requests.

# Request for Amendments to Add the Budget of the Office of Wellness & Resilience

At the request of the Office of Wellness & Resilience (OWR) and a forthcoming Governor's Message, DHS respectfully requests amendments to include OWR's budget requests. Pursuant to Act 87, SLH 2023 (Act 87), the Office of Wellness & Resilience (OWR) will transfer to the Department of Human Services on July 1, 2025. Per Act 87, positions and appropriations, amongst other things, shall transfer to DHS.

		Budget Request							
		-	MOF	F`	Y 26 Reque	est	F	Y 27 Requ	est
Prog	Dept	Transfer of	Α	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$)	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$)
ID/Org	Pri	6 FTE and							
		Funds for		6.00		470,000	6.0		470,000
		Office of							
		Wellness							
		and							
		Resilience							
		from Gov							
		to HMS							
GOV		Total		6.00		470,000	6.00		470,000
100		Request							

 The HD1 did not concur with OWR's budget request to transfer existing positions from GOV100, Seq #40-001, to HRD200; similarly, the HD1 did not concur with the transfer into HRD200. OWR requests the transfer out of GOV100 to HMS555 or other appropriate HMS program ID:

Transfer of 6.0 FTEs and Funds for Office of Wellness and Resilience from GOV 100/AA. Pursuant to Act 291, SLH 2022, the Office of Wellness and Resilience (OWR) was placed temporarily in the Office of the Governor as a semi-autonomous authority to support and implement the statewide framework for trauma-informed care and will need to be placed in a principal department. Act 87, SLH 2023, further authorized all appropriations, records, equipment, machines, files, supplies, contracts, books, papers, documents, maps, and other personal property heretofore made, used, acquired, or held by the Office of the Governor relating to the functions of OWR to be transferred to the Department of Human Services (DHS) with the functions to which they relate.

This is a request to transfer six (6.00) FTE positions and \$470,000 in general funds for both fiscal years from the Office of the Governor (GOV100/AA) to DHS. This represents all OWR-related positions and funding currently included in the Office of the Governor's budget to the DHS Base Budget.

The breakdown of positions, position numbers, FTE, and salaries include:

- (1) PERM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (#124609; 1.00; 150,000)
- (1) PERM ADMINISTRATIVE ASST (#124638; 1.00; 80,000)
- (1) PERM DEPARTMENTAL LIAISON (#124639; 1.00; 60,000)
- (1) PERM DEPARTMENTAL LIAISON (#124683; 1.00; 60,000)
- (1) PERM DEPARTMENTAL LIAISON (#124685; 1.00; 60,000)
- (1) PERM DEPARTMENTAL LIAISON (#124695; 1.00; 60,000)

		Budget Request							
			MOF	F`	Y 26 Reque	est		FY 27 Req	uest
Prog	Dept	Funding	Α	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$)	FTE	FTE (T)	(\$)
ID/Org	Pri	for other					(P)		
		current				424,528			424,528
		expenses							
		for the							
		Office of							
		Wellness &							
		Resilience							
		Total				424,528			424,528
		Request							

 The HD1 did not concur with the Executive Request to add funds to HRD200 for consultant (200,000) and other expenses (224,528) for OWR. OWR requests these funds be added to HMS555 or other appropriate HMS program ID.

Act 291, SLH 2022, provided funds for consultant services and office supplies for OWR for two years. This is a request to continue to fund the office for essential operations. Consistent with Act 291's intent, consultant services are necessary to continue the momentum gained toward OWR's responsibilities that include:

- (1) Addressing issues identified and implementing the recommendations of the Trauma-Informed Care Task Force;
- (2) Identifying common issues, unmet needs, and challenges encountered by departments and working to solve those issues through a cross-representation of State departments and the private sector, including private donors;
- (3) Seeking funding solutions using moneys that each department has access to, including Federal, State, and private sources, working with philanthropic organizations and other entities from the private sector to re-evaluate the State's funding priorities, and finding funding solutions to implement interdepartmental programming;
- (4) Interacting with community agencies, organizations, and other stakeholders to ensure the office is meeting the needs and wellness requirements of communities throughout the State; and
- (5) Creating an electronic dashboard on the social determinants of health that identifies a baseline of needs and concerns that impede high quality-of-life outcomes.

		Budget Request							
			MOF	F	Y 26 Reque	st		FY 27 Requ	uest
Prog ID/Org	Dept Pri	Requesting 6 FTEs for State of Wellbeing program	A	FTE (P) 6.00	FTE (T)	(\$) 475,000	FTE (P) 6.00	FTE (T)	(\$) 475,000

	Budget Request							
		MOF	F	Y 26 Reque	st		FY 27 Requ	ıest
	within the Office of Wellness and Resilience							
	Other Current Expenses	А			401,000			401,000
HMS 555	Total Request		6.0		876,000	6.0		876,000

- The HD1 did not concur with the Executive request to add 6 additional positions and other current expenses to HRD200.
- OWR requests 6.0 FTEs and funds for the State of Wellbeing (SoWB) program. This
  request continues the SoWB program within OWR at FTE, Personal Services, and Other
  Current Expenditures (OCE) funding levels consistent with current levels.

The Legislature established and funded the SoWB program as a temporary program housed in the OWR through Act 106, SLH 2024. The Act provided funds for personal services and other current expenses for the first year. This is a request to continue to fund the SoWB program for essentials. The consultant costs will support SoWB's efforts to:

- (1) Assess and enhance existing mental health training and ongoing support services to public schools, public community centers, first responder groups, police departments, fire departments, hospitals, and medical staff and, when nonexistent, build out culturally grounded community-informed well-being programming;
- (2) Track and measure aggregate mental health trends; and
- (3) Hire and train mental health specialists and work with approved partner organizations to lead project execution across tier 1 and 2 mental health support services in each key stakeholder community.

The breakdown of positions, position numbers, FTE, salaries, consultant services, and office supplies include:

- (1) PERM DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF WELLNESS AND RESILIENCE (#125505; 1.00; 128,496)
- (1) PERM FISCAL AND CONTRACT SPECIALIST (#125506; 1.00; 83,520)
- (1) PERM WELLNESS AND RESILIENCE COORDINATOR MAUI (#125526; 1.00; 66,000)
- (1) PERM WELLNESS AND RESILIENCE COORDINATOR KAUA'I (#125525; 1.00; 66,000)
- (1) PERM WELLNESS AND RESILIENCE COORDINATOR O'AHU (#125528; 1.00; 68,004)

(1) PERM WELLNESS AND RESILIENCE COORDINATOR O'AHU - LIVED EXPERIENCE (#125527; 1.00; 62,980)
CONSULTANT SERVICES (300,000)
OTHER OFFICE SUPPLIES (101,000)

		Budget Request							
			MOF	F	Y 26 Reques	st		FY 27 Requ	ıest
Prog ID/Org	Dept Pri	Funding for Collective Bargaining	A	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$) 48,276	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$) 48,276
HMS 555		Total Request	Α			48,276			48,276

 The HD1 did not concur with this Executive Request to add funds for personal services to HRD200. OWR requests funds for collective bargaining to HMS555 or other appropriate HMS program ID.

Funding for collective bargaining adjustments for \$48,276 in incremental funding to account for two collective bargaining increases that have taken place since OWR's establishment in FY 2023. At establishment and in subsequent periods, consideration for collective bargaining (CB) increases were not provided. The request would provide for an equitable work environment in line with other salary range positions with similar credentials and qualifications.

		Budget Request							
			MOF	F	Y 26 Reques	st		FY 27 Requ	ıest
Prog ID/Org	Dept Pri	Funding for Personal services	A	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$) 40,804	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$) 40,804
HMS 555		Total Request	Α			40,804			40,804

The HD1 did not concur with the request to add funds for personal services to HRD200.
 OWR requests the funds for personal services be added to HMS555 or other appropriate HMS program ID. This request for \$40,804 will provide adequate funding for personal services and an equitable work environment in line with other salary range positions with similar credentials and qualifications.

# **DHS Biennium Budget Priorities**

It is our highest priority to support the child welfare workforce as we work with the Office of Wellness & Resilience and the Malama Ohana Work Group and stakeholders to improve the child protective system and respond to community concerns. These budget requests reflect the

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need for continued investment in the human services workforce and the work environment to improve the technology available to the public and staff and to ensure workplace safety. The budget includes investment in Hawaii's health care programs, providers, and institutions that serve residents with Medicaid health coverage.

Highlights of our priorities in this fiscal biennium (FB) budget for 2025-2027 include requests for:

- Shortage differential for the recruitment and retention of child protective services workers;
- Funds for the Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System (CCWIS);
- Funds to support victims of sex trafficking;
- Funds to continue the Family Resource Centers pilot program aimed to increase services
  for families in communities, schools, and a correctional facility as a prevention strategy
  to reduce child abuse and neglect and improve children's and parents' engagement in
  school;
- Increased funding for In-home Home and Community-Based services that keep kupuna and people with disabilities in the community and avoid having to move them to significantly more expensive nursing facilities;
- Sustained funding for increased reimbursement rates for most medical professional services to 100% of Medicare as funding is non-recurring;
- Sustained funding for Applied Behavioral Analysis services, Child Wellness Pilot program, as funding is non-recurring;
- Funds for increased payments for death benefits as funding was only appropriated in Act 108, SLH 2024 for FY 2025;
- The Hospital Sustainability and Nursing Facilities Sustainability Special Funds that support increased payments to hospitals and nursing facilities that serve residents on Medicaid;
- Increased funds to address and reduce homelessness with continued development, maintenance, and operations of Kauhale;
- Sustained funding for homeless services: Family Assessment Centers, Housing First, Homeless Outreach including legal services, and Rapid Rehousing – these items are currently non-recurring;
- An additional year of funding to continue temporary housing and other recovery efforts for Maui Wildfire survivors;
- Funds to continue the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer Program (S-EBT) for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits for public school children during the summer break;
- Funds to support youth mental health services provided through the Office of Youth Services;

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- A CIP request to continue modernizing the Benefits Eligibility System to improve the application for and delivery of financial Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Benefits (SNAP) and benefits; and
- A ceiling increase of the Randolph Sheppard Revolving Account that supports the blind vendors program.

Notably, the general fund additions that serve as state matching funds required for federally funded programs will allow DHS to access approximately \$58.89M in additional federal matching funds or federal reimbursement for FY2026 and an additional \$54.66M in FY2027 in federal funds. <sup>1</sup>

The Department continues to process a high number of monthly applications, and Medicaid and child care caseloads remain above pre-COVID-19 pandemic levels as individuals and families continue to need assistance to meet Hawaii's high cost of living. DHS leadership is mindful of the impacts of a slowing economy or higher consumer costs that have a direct relationship with more residents seeking public assistance. Housing instability and evictions are major long-lasting disruptions to the well-being of children, families, and individuals, and increased funding to address housing instability and increasing housing inventory is necessary.

From a workforce perspective, DHS continues to have high vacancy rates influenced by another year of long-term employees retiring in 2024. There is also a general shortage of human services workers due to wage gaps and the cost of providing services to residents with complex needs. However, DHS continues to recruit and fill positions, and has utilized the opportunity of the Governor's Emergency Proclamation 25-02, Operation Hire Hawaii, to hire former federal workers.

We must continue to have the resources and flexibility to innovate, train, and support career pathways and the professional development of the current and future human services workforce.

The significant conditions impacting DHS operations and ability to meet all program goals are:

- High vacancy rates across the department;
- Continued high application rates and caseloads above pre-COVID-19 pandemic levels;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> DHS strategizes to maximize available federal funds. The various federally funded or split-funded benefit programs often provide federal matching funds for operations, including personnel costs, or use a reimbursement model where the State upfronts 100% of the expenditures and then seeks federal reimbursement for a percentage of the expenditures. Notably, these budget requests do not consider potential policy and fiscal changes that may be forthcoming by the federal.

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- A return to pre-COVID-19 pandemic program rules while implementing other new program rules or processes;
- Resources need to conduct 2023 Maui Wildfire response and recovery lines of effort,
- The consequences of Hawaii's high cost of living and doing business, and
- Uncertainties of new federal policies and impact on programming and funding with the current administration.

With low unemployment and better-paying opportunities in the private sector, DHS will continue to face difficulty filling positions that will impact the department's ability to deliver timely benefits and services. We continue to see high application and enrollment rates for SNAP and Medicaid programs as Hawaii residents continue to struggle to meet high housing and consumer prices, even as Hawaii's unemployment rate remains low. If the national and state economies slow or face disruptions that increase consumer prices, we anticipate additional increases in applications and program enrollment as residents seek assistance.

The SNAP program is hampered by the inability to fill eligibility worker positions necessary to authorize SNAP applications and benefits. The November 2024 SNAP caseload serving 83,364 households is above the caseload of pre-COVID January 2020 (=79,672 households). COVID-19 pandemic program waivers that allowed a high of 111,900 households in July 2021 ended in 2024.

As previously reported, DHS experienced a high error rate during the height of the pandemic, resulting in the U.S. Food & Nutrition Service issuing a fiscal penalty to the State. DHS has an administration measure for an emergency appropriation that will provide funds to improve the IT system to reduce errors as part of the penalty.

Additionally, the return to regular program rules includes reinstatement of additional steps that have caused applicants and recipients to experience long wait times to have eligibility determined or maintained. Congress also made additional adjustments to the SNAP program that DHS is addressing, along with amending program rules and modifying its system to address the changes that will increase program eligibility.

However, in the summer of 2024, the SNAP program successfully implemented the first Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (Summer-EBT) program to 90,000 public school students with \$177 each during the summer break. DHS is working on the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the S-EBT program, which will require additional program requirements.

The Medicaid program is also experiencing high application rates and enrollment levels. In 2024, the Med-QUEST Division (MQD) successfully redetermined eligibility for all Medicaid enrollees as a part of the "unwinding" from COVID-19 pandemic programming. In December 2024, the "new normal" for Medicaid program enrollment is hovering at 406,337; this is a decrease from the peak pandemic enrollment of 468,120 in 2023. However, the current

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enrollment level is nearly 80,000 more residents than the number enrolled in March 2020. Of note, the "unwinding" included a reduction of the percentage of the base federal match for Medicaid, which may require a higher general fund appropriation to support the enrollment at the 400k "new normal."

We anticipate continued housing instability and low inventory amongst Hawaii's low-income residents. The State Office on Homelessness and Housing Solutions requests funding to increase the number of Kauhale ("tiny homes") projects statewide and to maintain the current Kauhale inventory. Restoration of homeless services funding that supports Housing First (the State's permanent supportive housing program), homeless outreach including legal services, family assessment centers, and rapid rehousing services.

Child care is also experiencing high participation rates as DHS distributed COVID-19 pandemic funds and implemented the state-funded expanded Preschool Open Doors (POD) program for Hawaii's 3- and 4-year-old children. Parents benefit from child care subsidies to access affordable quality child care. Parents and caretakers can go to work or school with confidence that their children are being well cared for.

DHS dispersed \$114,000,000 from the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law No. 117-2) (ARPA). These ARPA funds sustained and buffered child care providers through the most tumultuous parts of the pandemic and recovery period. Between December 2021 and September 2023, DHS distributed \$72,000,000 of ARPA child care stabilization funds directly to 616 licensed and registered family child care homes, group child care centers, group child care homes, infant and toddler centers, before and after school facilities, and exempt center-based providers of afterschool A+ services. In November 2024, DHS concluded its supplemental grant program, providing an additional \$42,000,000 directly to 617 child care providers between May and November 2024.

The supplemental grants were intended to prevent permanent closures and support child care businesses by offsetting providers' operating expenses, improving quality, and increasing workforce compensation so that child care providers could recruit and retain a skilled workforce. Providers received two (2) rounds each of operating expense and staff retention awards which directors, teachers, assistant teachers, lead caregivers, and caregivers received a disbursement of \$4,500, and all other caregiving staff received a disbursement of \$3,000. DHS is currently working on data collection and analysis of the supplemental grant program.

The end of ARPA funding is a significant concern for the child care sector, and the Legislature may need to consider additional funds to support child care providers.

DHS Child Care Programs Office successfully implemented the POD program's First Come First Served open application period, which runs from July 1, 2024 – January 31, 2025. The change in

application processing per Act 153, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2024, allows DHS to process applications on a first-come, first-served basis after the priority period closes to allow a continuous enrollment process throughout the program year. The change facilitates more access to subsidies and a school readiness program without delay. Nearly 2,000 applications have been received, with July 2024 bringing in the highest total of 938 applications. As of November 2024, 1,963 3- and 4-year-old children are enrolled in POD. By the end of November, POD will achieve an enrollment count of more than 2,000 children. This is a significant increase from the previous school year by more than 600 children. The department is also considering rule amendments to further support the expansion of POD through increased eligibility limits and lowered co-payments for families.

DHS leadership continues to lead the department's emergency management efforts. The Director's Office continues to lead the Rent Assistance Program, the development of interim housing at Ka Lai Ola, and the FEMA Disaster Case Management grant program. The SOHHS also maintains the Pu'u Honua o Nene field shelter for individuals who were experiencing homelessness prior to the August 2023 wildfires. The TANF program also maintains the Maui TANF Recovery Program providing cash assistance to families with children. The Director's office also established a temporary auditor position to ensure that all Maui-related expenses are adequately documented and the recent hiring of the administrative assistant position in the Director's office should assist with updating the department's emergency management and continuity plans.

# **Summaries by Division and the Office of Youth Services**

#### Benefit, Employment & Support Services (BESSD)

Table 1. BESSD Position Counts.

BESSD Statewide Branch - Processing Centers								
<u>POSITION</u>	POSITION COUNT	FILLED	VACANT	% VACANT				
Eligibility Worker	301	231	70	23.3%				
Office Assistants	84	35	49	58.3%				

BESSD continues to experience high vacancies in its Statewide Branch Processing Centers due to retirements, a lack of interested applicants, and opportunities for higher-wage jobs, making positions difficult to fill. The challenge of filling Eligibility Worker (EW) and Office Assistant (OA) positions is a national issue. We continue to process the work despite having only three-fourths (76%) of the optimal workforce of Eligibility Workers and less than half (49%) of the clerical support needed to manage the ongoing demand. BESSD continues to recruit for both EW and OA positions actively, utilizes Wiki Wiki Hire, and conducts weekly interviews on Oahu. However, despite recruitment efforts, vacancies for OA positions have increased. In an entry-

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level position, as OAs gain more experience, they often move to positions within the state that have more responsibilities and higher pay.

The continued high rate of vacancies highlights the critical need to fill and retain Eligibility Workers and clerical positions as the number of phone calls and applications for SNAP continue to increase. Over the past year, the number of calls for interviews required for SNAP and other benefits has increased due to a combination of changes in federal policy and the ending of pandemic-era waivers. In calendar year 2023, the number of interview calls was 8,050 per month. The number of interview calls increased to over 17,000 by September 2024 and to 40,233 calls in November 2024.

Table 2. BESSD Applications, Renewals, and Calls

BESSD Statewide Branch – Processing Centers							
Applications Received Daily	260						
Applications Received Monthly	7,797						
Eligibility Renewals Processed Monthly	7,397						
Number of Calls Received Daily	2,235						
Number of Call Received Monthly	40,233						

The SNAP caseload as of November 2024 (=158,425 individuals) is higher than the prepandemic levels of February 2020 (=153,047 individuals). However, the number of monthly applications in November 2024 (=7,129) is higher than the number of monthly applications received pre-pandemic in February 2020 (=4,412). In October 2024, the number of applications (=9,083 applications) was more than double the average number of 4,500 applications received prior to the pandemic.

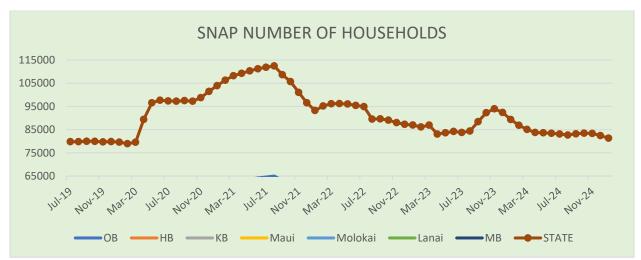


Figure 3. Graph of SNAP Households July 2019 - November 2024

Despite the high rate of applications, caseloads have remained relatively stable, though trending upward, due to a high rate of application denials for various reasons, such as being over-income or failing to submit all required documents for verification. In November 2024, over half (=58%, or 4731/8186 applications) were denied.

In addition, in 2024, the federal law changed, authorizing SNAP eligibility for Compact of Free Association (COFA) citizens living in the United States. The Consolidated Appropriation Act (CAA) of 2024 changed the federal law for Compact residents authorizing eligibility for SNAP, TANF, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and FEMA assistance. The CAA had a positive impact on residents from Compact nations and on states allowing federal assistance for its residents from COFA nations.

In early 2025, DHS anticipates that the number of applications for SNAP will further increase due to a planned rule change to implement Broad Based Categorical Eligibility (BBCE) provisions and remove the net income limit for eligible households. DHS has drafted amendments to the Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) to implement this change, and a public hearing was held on December 12, 2024. A report by the University of Hawaii Economic Research Organization (UHERO) estimated that this policy change would add 14,000-15,000 additional households to the SNAP caseload.

The unwinding of pandemic-era waivers has contributed to the increase in the workload for BESSD Processing Centers. Prior to October 2024, the United States Department of Agriculture Food & Nutrition Services (FNS) authorized a waiver enabling DHS to conduct a desk review for eligibility renewals for SNAP and other benefits instead of requiring an interview. During the COVID-19 pandemic, this waiver allowed DHS to process the highest volume of applications as residents struggled during the economic shutdown. However, with the waiver's end, the interviews for eligibility renewals restarted in October 2024. In November 2024, over 10,000

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clients required eligibility renewals, which contributed to the increased number of individuals calling for interviews.

BESSD is working to prioritize staffing on its call center to better respond to the increased number of calls. The Processing Centers also continue to work overtime four Saturdays per month to address the application and renewal backlog.

A continued priority for the Division is the development of a new Benefits Eligibility Solution (BES) eligibility system to replace the 40-year-old Hawaii Automated Welfare Information (HAWI) legacy system. The BES is scheduled to be implemented in mid-2026 and will include an automated rules engine and online Self-Service Portal that will streamline and increase efficiency in processing SNAP and other related benefits.

In addition, BESSD continues to work on its oversight of other programs, such as Child Care Subsidy, Child Care Licensing, Employment & Training, the Homeless Programs Office (HPO), and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). In 2024, BESSD launched a new online system for providers and residents and the Preschool Open Doors program to increase access to child care for eligible households with 3- and 4-year-old children.

As we enter the 2025 legislative session, BESSD requests the Legislature's continued support to meet our resource needs. This will allow us to improve our delivery of needed benefits and services to Hawaii's residents and our working environment and conditions.

#### **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVR)**

DVR administers statewide vocational rehabilitation services programs for persons with physical, cognitive, and mental health disabilities. These programs include independent living rehabilitation services for persons with disabilities, general services for persons who are blind and visually impaired, and the disability determination of claims for Social Security Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income benefits issued by the Social Security Administration.

DVR provides vocational rehabilitation programs as required by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Randolph-Sheppard Vending Stands Act, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and other applicable federal and state laws, regulations, policies, and agreements with other state agencies and the federal government.

**DVR MISSION** – DVR serves participants who require assistance to prepare for, secure, retain, or advance in competitive, integrated employment. DVR staff works as a team so that participants can achieve their hopes and aspirations for meaningful employment through timely and individualized vocational rehabilitation services.

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DVR estimates that federal vocational rehabilitation funding will be \$16,380,877 in FFY 2025 (October 1, 2024-September 30, 2025) with a required State match of \$4,433,452 starting in FFY25.

In 2024, DVR commenced work on the Neighbor Island Blind and Visually Impaired pilot program authorized by Act 253, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023. The 2023 Maui Wildfire response delayed DVR's work on the pilot. However, DVR procured a contractor, met with stakeholders, and developed a plan. DHS is proposing an administrative measure (SB 1419 SD1 RELATING TO ACT 253, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2023) to revise the pilot. Additional appropriations will be required and are pending a Governor's Message. The pilot program will assist neighbor island residents who are blind or have low vision to gain skills that will improve their communication and independence. The pilot will serve individuals who may not be interested in employment and who do not qualify for services available through the Department of Education or to individuals 55 years or older.

DVR is seeing an increase in applications for services from Hawaii residents with disabilities who are eager to prepare for, obtain, retain, or advance in competitive integrated employment in the workforce. Additionally, DVR continues to work with employers in all sectors to encourage them to hire qualified individuals with disabilities.

The Randolph-Sheppard Revolving Account ceiling increase request of \$669,800 for HMS 802 will ensure that DVR has access to the special funds supporting necessary services to our blind vending program. This ceiling increase does not affect or increase DVR's current State funding.

In Program Year 2023 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024), the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) was tasked with achieving five performance indicators set by our federal funder, the Rehabilitation Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Education. These measures include:

- 1. Credential Attainment Rate The percentage of participants enrolled in an education or training program (excluding those in On-the-Job Training and customized training) who obtain a recognized postsecondary credential or a secondary school diploma or its equivalent during participation or within one year after exiting DVR's program services;
- 2. Employment Rate for the 2nd Quarter After Exit The percentage of participants who are still employed six months after exiting DVR;
- 3. Employment Rate for the 4th Quarter After Exit The percentage of participants who are still employed twelve months after exiting DVR;
- 4. Median Earnings The median earnings of consumers who are employed six months after exiting DVR; and

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5. Measurable Skills Gains (MSG) Rate – The percentage of consumers enrolled in training programs who achieve documented skills gains. \*Note: Although MSG was initially set as a negotiated performance level, national data has proven unreliable for measuring performance and, therefore, was not utilized in Program Year 2023.

DVR achieved two out of four performance indicators (Credential Attainment Rate and Median Earnings) for Program Year 2023 (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024). While DVR did not meet two of the four indicators, no sanctions were imposed since the actual employment rates for the 2nd and 4th quarters after exit were above the Indicator Score of 50%, with scores of 80.8% and 75.8%, respectively.

Table 3. DVR Performance Indicators, Program year (PY) 2023

Indicator	PY 2023 (Required Level vs. Achieved)	Indicator Score (Actual Level/Adjusted Level)
Credential Attainment Rate (CA)	20%/Achieved 43.3%	115.6%
Employment (Second Quarter After Exit)	37%/Achieved 33.9%	80.8%
Employment (Fourth Quarter After Exit)	39.5%/Achieved 34.1%	75.8%
Median Earnings (Second Quarter After Exit)	\$4,500/Achieved \$5,669	124.6%
*Measurable Skill Gains (MSG)	n/a	n/a

The achievement of two out of four performance indicators is significant, especially considering DVR's high vacancy rate, which is currently around 40% due to retirements and resignations. Initiatives are in progress to retain our excellent staff and fill vacancies. These initiatives include revision of minimum qualifications, streamlining processes, reviewing pay rates, planning for additional needed positions, and enhancing clear, positive communication.

#### Med-QUEST Division (MQD)

The Med-QUEST Division (MQD) administers Medicaid that provides health coverage, and state-funded medical assistance programs, primarily through managed care plans, to eligible Hawai'i residents. Medicaid started in 1965 under Title XIX of the Social Security Act and is administered as a joint federal-state program that provides health coverage and long-term care for children, pregnant women, parents of eligible children, low-income adults, former foster care children, aged, blind, and disabled individuals. MQD's mission is to empower Hawai'i's

residents to improve and sustain well-being by developing, promoting, and administering innovative and high-quality healthcare programs with aloha.

As of March 10, 2025, the Med-QUEST Division (MQD) provides Medicaid coverage for over 404,000 residents, representing about 28 percent of Hawaii's population. While this percent is higher than before the start of the pandemic, it is a decrease from the 468,120 enrollees at the peak of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency in April of 2023. The "new normal" is over 70,000 members higher than the 327,000 caseloads that preceded the COVID-19 pandemic.

In 2024, MQD completed one of its largest undertakings to date: redetermining the eligibility of all Medicaid enrollees as required by the end of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, which is known as the "unwinding."

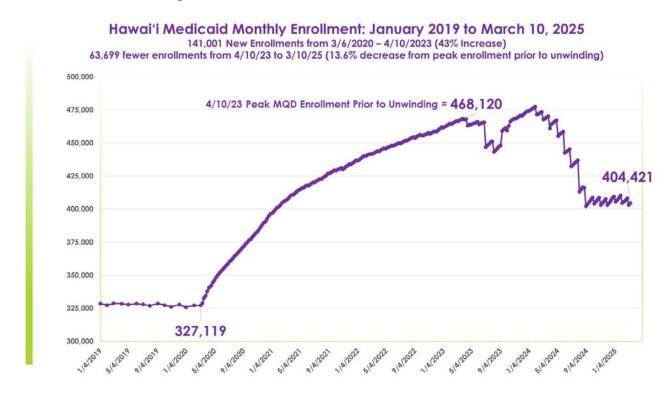


Figure 4. Medicaid Enrollment, January 2019 – March 10, 2025

The following figure reflects the changes in Medicaid enrollment by County:

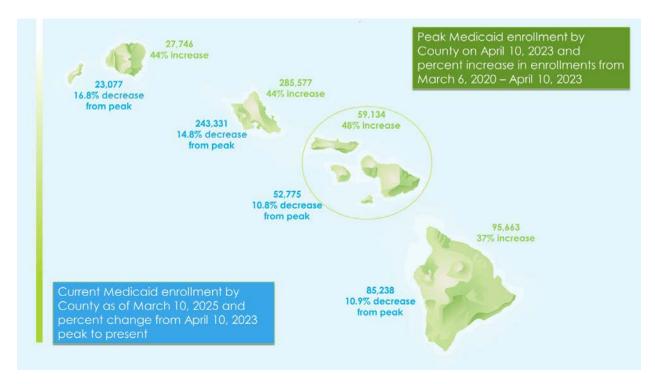


Figure 5. Medicaid enrollment by County.

#### Social Services Division - Child Welfare Services and Adult Protective & Community Services

The Social Services Division (SSD) provides services to eligible families and individuals. The Child Welfare Services Branch (CWS) provides prevention and intervention services to reduce the incidence and impact of child abuse and neglect. The Adult Protective & Community Services Branch (APCS) responds to reports of adult neglect or abuse and oversees the Adult Foster Care Program, Senior Companion Program, Foster Grandparent Program, Nurse Aid Training, and Re-Certification curriculum.

The Division's priorities are to work with the Office of Wellness & Resilience and the Malama Ohana Working Group to address community concerns, implement pay differentials for child welfare services workers as a retention strategy, and add additional security in child welfare offices. Notably, SSD continues to modernize its case management systems so case workers and administrators can access case information to better serve children and families. Social workers need better tools that improve processes and give workers more time to spend with children and families, and connect with providers and resource caregivers.

CWS is moving forward with its Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System (CCWIS), named HI-THRIVE. CCWIS financing is eligible for 50% federal reimbursement. Currently, DHS estimates the overall planning and implementation cost of CCWIS in the range of \$35 million to

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\$40 million, with a 50/50 federal reimbursement. However, costs to other states that have already developed their CCWIS project range from \$60 million to \$80 million.

Once in place, CCWIS will improve the workers' and supervisors' case management, enable easier extraction for reporting requirements, and give CWS more opportunities to draw down available Title IV-E funds.

APCS is moving forward with modernizing its data system, Living Aloha for Vulnerable Adults (LAVA), with the assistance of Federal grant money and requests general funds to build upon the completed work.

Once implemented, CCWIS and LAVA will facilitate data entry, support higher-quality data, allow for more accurate and timely reporting, offer decision-making guidance, and provide more access to and data sharing with clients and our external partners.

#### Office of Youth Services

With a solid commitment to meeting the needs of children and families, the Office of Youth Services (OYS) is responsible for the planning, case management, and delivery of services to youth at risk (section 352D-1, HRS). In addition, OYS oversees the Hawaii Youth Correctional Facilities (HYCF), the Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center (section 352D-7.5, HRS), and the support staff for the Hawaii State Youth Commission (section 352D-11, HRS).

Community-wide juvenile justice reform, including an investment in OYS contracted programs, has had a positive impact on reducing juvenile arrests and successfully diverting youth from the justice system. Figure 1 shows the number of individual juveniles arrested for both status and law offenses. Arrests in both categories for FY23 are lower than in pre-pandemic fiscal years 2017 through 2019.

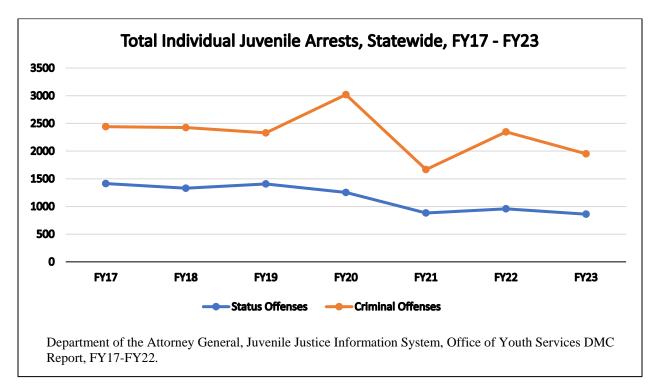


Figure 6. Individual Juvenile Arrests, Statewide FY2017- FY2023

These positive results are due to upfront system prevention programs and services for at-risk youth, including positive youth development, cultural programs, outreach and advocacy, housing, and diversion programs. Reductions of these programs or failure to address the increased needs of children will counteract these positive trends, decrease public safety, and increase youth entering into and moving deeper through the juvenile justice system.

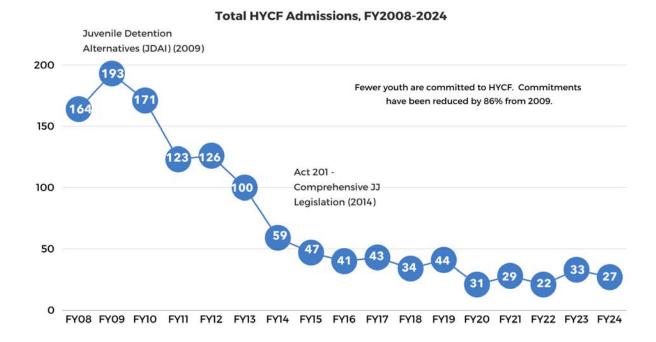


Figure 7. Total HYCF Admissions FY2008 - FY2024

Figure 7 above shows juvenile admissions to HYCF from fiscal years 2008 through 2023. From 2009, when Hawaii invested in the national Juvenile Detention Alternatives (JDAI) program, to 2023, admissions to HYCF were reduced by 83%. Alarmingly, admissions to HYCF in FY23 increased by 64% from the preceding year, with a slight decrease in FY24. With concerns that youth behavioral and mental health issues are rising, it is expected that more youth will enter the juvenile justice system and HYCF.

Any increase in the population at HYCF demonstrates a system that is not meeting the community's need for increased support post-pandemic. With the additional displacement and trauma experienced by victims of the 2023 Maui wildfires, community needs will continue to increase in the upcoming years. Investment in front-end programs and services is needed to maintain progress and to reduce justice system involvement for at-risk youth. OYS includes a request for funds for youth mental health programs.

#### Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women

In 1964, Governor John A. Burns created the Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women (CSW or Commission) by Executive Order. The work of the CSW is codified in sections 367-1 and 367-3 (1) through (8), HRS.

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In November 2024, the CSW filled the Executive Director position and anticipates that the Commission will restart its important advocacy.

Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) will report separately.

#### Federal Funds

The DHS Fiscal Biennium (FB) 25-27 budget includes federal fund adjustments of \$58,897,960 N and 19,550,000 P funds, for projected totals of \$2,962,272,804 N and \$38,310,191 P funds for FY 26, and \$54,622,441 N and \$19,550,000 P funds, for projected totals of \$2,957,997,285 N and \$38,310,191 for FY 27. Note that these amounts are projected amounts that DHS may access. However, to access federal funds, programs may require general fund contributions, or the federal funds are available for reimbursement to the State. A majority of the federal funds are for health care premiums or pass directly to recipients as benefits.

Hawai'i Public Housing Authority (HPHA) will report separately.

#### Non-General Funds

The report on non-general funds for DHS, pursuant to section 37-47, HRS, may be accessed at: <a href="https://humanservices.hawaii.gov/reports/legislative-reports/">https://humanservices.hawaii.gov/reports/legislative-reports/</a>.

# <u>Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Budget Requests</u>

#### HMS 904 – General Administration for DHS

Req							
Cat	Dept Pri	Prog ID	Proj No.	Project Title	MOF	FY 26	FY 27
				IT MODERNIZATION FOR THE BES SYSTEM,			
		HMS 904		STATEWIDE	С	10,000,000	

#### IT Modernization for the BES System

This additional \$10M request for FY26 is for additional work needed for the Design, Development, and Implementation (DDI) associated with BES in the upcoming year. The additional \$10M is needed to refine system functionality, including refinements to correspondence, the automated rules engine, and the development of the BES Self-Service Portal (SSP) and to support testing for this functionality as it is developed.

The current functionality of the BES development incorporates a manual workaround because the functions were not fully developed due to the limited funding and compressed timeline that the system build was working within prior to receiving the US Food & Nutrition Services (FNS)

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penalty letter (see below discussion). Considering that FNS is allowing DHS to reinvest 50% of the penalty towards implementing more fully developed functionality, DHS knows that 50% of the penalty is not enough to ensure all root cause areas impacting the payment error rate that can be automated will be automated to reduce the chances of user error being introduced into the workflow.

This budget request is to supplement the reinvestment of the 50% penalty amount that will support BES system development and testing of functionality. Specific functionality in BES that will improve worker accuracy and reduce payment errors include the elimination of manual forms for interview documentation, the development of an interview workflow builder to guide an Eligibility Worker through the interview process, and an automated rules engine that will apply Hawaii Administrative Rules and federal policies based on inputs to the system.

The anticipated completion of BES, including functionality to reduce payment errors, will be in the Fall of 2025. Additional funds for the coming biennium will allow BESSD to complete the system development work, including testing of new functionality, roll out BES into production, and be available to both the public and the BESSD line staff. The development will be done through a contract and BESSD's current system developer. The entire \$10M for FY26 is needed in addition to the \$5,467,164 requested through an Emergency Appropriation for FY25 (HB1099 HD1/SB1418 SD1 MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES) to ensure that BES is implemented with full functionality and that Hawaii has a functioning eligibility system that will reduce payment errors and help the State to avoid further financial. A capable and modern eligibility system should improve residents' experiences.

On June 28, 2024, FNS notified Hawaii that it had failed to achieve a SNAP payment error rate for federal fiscal year 2023 at or below the national average of 11.68%. Hawaii's payment error rate was 20.94%. This marked the second year in a row that Hawaii failed to perform below the national payment error rate. As a result, FNS accessed a penalty of \$10.9 million against Hawaii. FNS offered Hawaii the option of paying the penalty in whole or agreeing to reinvest 50% of the penalty into improvements that would result in an improvement of its payment error rate. Hawaii elected to enter into an agreement with FNS to reinvest 50% of the penalty into system improvements to automate the eligibility and payment determination process. The 50% of the \$10.9M FNS penalty will be requested through an emergency appropriation for FY25 for \$5,467,164. The emergency appropriation is needed in this fiscal year to align needed modifications with ongoing BES development.

HMS 503 – Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center

Req							
Cat	Dept Pri	Prog ID	Proj No.	Project Title	MOF	FY 26	FY 27
М	1	HMS 503	FY26.1	KYFWC MASTER PLAN, OAHU	С	3,500,000	
				KYFWC SECURED CUSTODY FACILITY REROOF,			
М	2	HMS 503	FY26.2	OAHU	С	3,720,000	

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#### FY26.1 - KYFWC Master Plan, Oahu

DAGS002 04-02-21 The original budget is to create and develop a process for the Master Plan to upgrade and renovate the Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center (KYFWC). This project will prioritize the CIP Implementation plan, provide budgetary estimates, and prepare an Environmental Impact Statement. These improvements will add another 25 years of longevity to the campus and create a safe space for a transitional/residential/Mental Health program for Hawaii high-risk youth and their families.

The KYFWC campus, on the Kailua grounds of the Hawaii Youth Correctional Facilities, is 96 years old, built in 1928 as the Kawailoa Training School for Girls by the Territorial Government of Hawaii. The Master Plan will allow for much-needed upgrades for campus infrastructure, demolish condemned buildings, and create additional needed program space for youth mental health programming. The Master Plan is needed for KYFWC to adapt to the changing needs and services the youth require.

Youths need a higher level of mental health treatment. Currently, the State sends youths with multiple mental health diagnoses to the mainland for treatment when in-state services are not available. The community alternatives for mental health residential-type programming are limited, and there are no readily available alternatives to assist high-risk youth. Hawaii needs to increase planning for the care of the high-risk population so these youths can get proper treatment, be near their support systems and community, and not have to be relocated to another state.

KYFWC is also being designed to manage social service gaps in our state systems (Department of Health, Child Adolescent & Mental Health Division (CAMHD), Department of Education (DOE), DHS Child Welfare Services (CWS), the Judiciary, and OYS to focus on older youth and young adults from 14 - 24 years of age. The programs at KYFWC will be primarily designed to assist in the transitioning of youths out of state services while providing critical support needed for youth and young adults to leave KYFWS's programs successfully.

#### FY26.2 - KYFWC/HYCF Secured Custody Facility (SCF) Reroof Oahu

This request is to assess and evaluate the structural integrity of the roof, and design and construct new roofing. The roof design and construction have to be within the scope of the state historical site standards and are part of the building's overall maintenance.

The HYCF Secured Custody Facility was built in 1995 to house male wards of the state. This 30-bed correctional structure currently houses both male and female juveniles who were committed to the Office of Youth Services by Family Court. SCF serves as the state's only juvenile correctional facility.

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Repairs to the roof are necessary to maintain the overall structural integrity after 30 years of use. The weather has taken its toll, and there is water leakage after heavy rains, which impacts electrical security systems, causing safety issues. There are no alternatives to fixing the leaking roof.

The project intends to increase the life of the correctional structure and reduce our operational and maintenance costs.

# **Operating Budget Requests**

## Office of Youth Services (OYS)

HMS 501 - In-Community Youth Programs

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		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26			FY27		
Prog	Dept				FTE			FTE	
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	FTE (P)	(T)	\$ Amount
		Add 1.00 Perm FTE							
		Positions and Funds for							
		the Office of Youth							
501YA-01	38	Services	Α	1.00		35,508	1.00		71,016
501YA-02	37	Youth Violence Prevention	Α			115,000			115,000
		Youth Mental Health							
501YA-03	22	Support	Α			1,000,000			1,000,000
		Sex Trafficking Victims							
501YA-06	31	Support	Α			500,000			500,000

501YA-01: Add 1.00 Permanent FTE Position and Funds for the Office of Youth Service (OYS)

This request adds 1.00 permanent FTE and funds for OYS. In 2007, the OYS was staffed with 30 positions, including 12 Program Specialists and seven clerical staff. In 2024, OYS is currently staffed with 19 positions, including 8 Program Specialists and three clerical staff. Two of these Program Specialists and one clerical staff are specifically assigned to our statewide Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Title II federal grant program, and another Program Specialist specifically oversees the Youth Commission. As a result, all other responsibilities of the program development office and OYS administration are performed by the remaining 14 staff members.

Since 2007, OYS' responsibilities and workload have increased significantly to include 13 additional contracts for a full continuum of care for at-risk youth and Grant-In-Aid (GIA) assignments, implementation of diversion programs (Act 201, SLH 2014), the Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center (SLH 2018), Youth Commission (SLH 2020), Safe Spaces for Youth Pilot Program (Act 130, SLH 2022), development of a Pacific Islander Youth Program List (HCR

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71, SLH 2023), collaboration with the Family Court to identity strategies for partnering with community partners (HCR 72, SLH 2023), and other initiatives to improve collaboration, partnerships, and promotion of system changes for positive outcomes for youth.

OYS HMS 501 respectfully requests 1.0 FTE permanent civil service Program Specialist V grant writer position to leverage federal grant dollars for youth programs that will enhance our continuum of care to increase positive outcomes for youth.

Ideally, to adequately meet our statutory goals and responsibilities, OYS would need to restore some of its positions, including 1.0 FTE for a permanent civil service Administrative Assistant II SR14 position for the Program Development Office, which oversees all contracts and GIAs, diversion programs, program planning and development, and many other initiatives. This position would assist with the current workload and be able to cross-train and cover duties when the only Administrative Assistant is on leave.

#### 501YA-02: Youth Violence Prevention

OYS currently budgets \$385,500 annually for outreach and advocacy services, which serves approximately 90 youths who are at-risk, status offenders, or gang-involved. Of these funds, \$38,500 is dedicated to the Honolulu Police Department, District 8 (D8), which includes Nanakuli and Waianae, which serves approximately 20 youth annually. This budget request is to triple violence prevention outreach and advocacy services in D8, Ewa, Makakilo, Nanakuli, Waianae, and Makaha.

Recent data shows increases in reported violence in D8, where homicides were up 80% and weapons offenses were up 42% between 2022 and 2023. The number of recent violent incidents involving youth on the Nanakuli-Waianae Coast is alarming. A few of the high-profile cases are as follows: In April 2024, three teens were accused of attacking and robbing a man; in February 2024, a 17-year-old was arrested in connection with the murder of a rancher; in January 2024, a youth was arrested in the shooting of a man killed by a stray bullet while in the man was sitting in his driveway; in November 2023, a 16-year-old male and a 21-year-old female were stabbed at a beach park; in September 2023, a teen was arrested for murder in an incident that left two people dead; and in June 2023, a 17-year-old female was shot in the head at Maili Community Park. Many of the youth involved in these violent acts are not ganginvolved.

Youth violence has significant and prolonged effects on young people's mental and physical health as well as on the community. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), youth violence impacts development, decision-making, the ability to learn and cope with stress, as well as connections to peers and adults. It is linked to adverse health outcomes that disproportionately affect communities of color. Exposure to violence increases the risk for behavioral and mental health difficulties, which include future violence perpetration and victimization, as well as depression, academic difficulties, and suicide. Hawaii's youth are in need of extra support, outreach, and advocacy to improve well-being and reduce violence.

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### 501YA-03: Youth Mental Health Support

This request is to increase funding to four residential safe houses, including one girl safe house on Hawaii Island and boys safe houses on Maui, Hawaii Island, and Oahu (\$650,000). This request also serves to provide specialized funding to increase mental health services to LGBTQ+ youth, a population identified as being at high risk for self-harm, substance abuse, behavioral and mental health issues, and becoming victims of abuse and trafficking (\$200,000).

In 2024, the Legislature provided the following amounts that are non-recurring: This request is is restore the funds for the biennium and for the funds to be recurring as part of OYS' base budget:

- Safe House boys \$162,500 x 3
- Safe House girls \$162,500 x1
- LGBTQ+ \$200,000
- Non-Eligible CAMHD Youth \$150,000

Total = \$1,000,000

In accordance with section 352D-D, HRS, OYS is responsible for providing services to at-risk youth and facilitating optimum service delivery, preventing delinquency, and reducing recidivism through prevention, rehabilitation, and treatment. OYS creates opportunities for at-risk youth to become productive, responsible citizens through community-based and family-focused interventions. Among these interventions are housing and mental health services for youth. Since the pandemic, youth have been displaying increased criminogenic risk factors and behavioral and mental health issues.

Additionally, OYS has worked with CAMHD to provide mental health treatment to youth who are not eligible for CAMHD services. OYS' original 2017 contract was for \$300,000 annually. In 2021, due to budget cuts, this contract was reduced to \$60,000 annually. In 2022, OYS increased funding to \$150,000 annually to address the increased demand for mental health services for youth in the community. However, this amount of funding is not meeting the needs of youth. In the calendar year 2022, OYS received 49 referrals for services. In only the first six months of 2023 (January - June), OYS received 56 referrals. During this same period, costs for mental health services to these youth were \$230,606.07 annually, well beyond the capacity of OYS' current contract costs.

The proposed budget reduces OYS' appropriations in the amount of \$1,632,500, for youth residential programs. This includes \$800,000 for Safe Spaces youth homelessness that may be alternative appropriated in HB613. This also includes \$832,500 in non-reoccurring funds allocated in FY25 to cover lost COVID-19 programmatic funds. These funds have been allocated to Safe House contract cost increases. The loss of these funds will have significant impact on youth residential services.

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501YA-06: Sex Trafficking Victims Support

The current \$400,000 funded by the 2024 Legislature is non-recurring under HMS 503. This budget request is for \$500,000 to be recurring to support victims who were sex trafficked on Oahu and Maui under HMS 501.

\$400,000 - Provides short-term, 30-day, or less emergency shelter services for youth 12-17 years old who are suspected or determined to be victims of commercial sexual exploitation or labor trafficking. This program accepts referrals from DHS CWS, the Family Court, law enforcement agencies, parents/guardians, other youth-serving agencies, and youth victims. Under section 352D-7.5, HRS, access to services will be made available by OYS to all youth at risk of being sexually exploited and to youth victims of sex trafficking at the Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center. While the shelter has moved off campus, youth at Kawailoa continue to be referred to this program.

Research shows a pathway of sexual exploitation, especially for girls involved in the juvenile justice system, including those committed to the Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility (HYCF). The majority of female youth at HYCF have a history of sexual exploitation and abuse. These emergency shelter services for exploited children have contributed significantly to the reduction of girls committed to HYCF over the past decade and reached a milestone of zero girls incarcerated in 2022 for 80 days. Overall, there has been a significant reduction in youth, especially girls, being committed to HYCF, where the general population of girls is 1-5. The current funding is non-recurring. This budget request is for recurring funds as a part of OYS' base budget.

\$100,000 - Ongoing support to female children experiencing sexual exploitation and abuse on Maui. Following the Maui wildfires, OYS saw an increase in female youth victims requiring emergency shelter and support. With the temporary closure of Oahu's shelter and resulting cost savings, OYS diverted \$100,000 to Maui. However, funding to continue the emergency shelter for girls in Maui should be recurring and part of OYS' base budget.

HMS 503 – Kawailoa Youth and Wellness Center (also known as Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility)

		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26			FY27		
Prog	Dept			FTE	FTE	Amount	FTE	FTE	
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	(P)	(T)	(\$)	(P)	(T)	\$ Amount
		Additional Positions at the							
		Kawailoa Youth and							
		Wellness Center(formerly							
		Hawaii Youth Correctional							
503YB-01	39	Facility)	Α	2.00		69,576	2.00		139,152

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<u>503YB-01</u>: Additional Positions at the Kawailoa Youth and Wellness Center (also known as Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility)

Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center (KYFWC), on the grounds of the Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility (HYCF), has seen an 83% decrease in its incarcerated population within the past decade as a result of Juvenile Justice Reform. This decrease resulted in the closing of two of its three correctional structures. However, through staff attrition, we no longer have the staff required to maintain the level of programs and safety of the environment for KYFWC's correctional structure.

The profile of the currently incarcerated population has a significant increase in medical and mental health concerns that often require professional expertise outside of KYFWC staff and require more detailed attention by our on-site staff, Youth Correctional Officers. Common medical issues include dental issues (lack of oral care), sexually transmitted diseases, heart conditions, diabetes, autism, and other conditions. These youth represent the most vulnerable of Hawaii's high-risk youth and require additional services.

Two additional Youth Correctional Officer (YCO) positions are requested and would (in addition to normal position duties) be utilized for transportation purposes so as not to shorten the line staff needed to maintain the integrity of programs to include education, substance abuse, mental health, recreation, and daily living. Ideally, however, a total of 5 YCOs would allow HYCF to maintain full operations, including programs, transportation, and safety measures. The 5 YCO positions would represent a partial restoration of 10 youth correctional facility positions (8 Youth Correctional Officers, 1 Youth Corrections Supervisor, and 1 Social Worker III) that were abolished as part of Act 88, SLH 2021.

In order to continue the development of the KYFWC campus, our current and future needs will be a Planner VI position to assist and manage the Kawailoa Youth and Family Wellness Center (KYFWC) programs. Act 208 (SLH 2018), Relating to Juvenile Justice Reform, created the KYFWC for services and programs that may include but are not limited to mental health services and programs, substance abuse treatment programs, crisis shelters for homeless youth, crisis shelters for victims of human sex trafficking, vocational training, group homes, day treatment programs, aftercare, independent and family counseling services, educational services, and any other services and programs. These programs require contractual management, organization, and systemic alignment to multiple state services for Hawaii's most vulnerable at-risk youth and vulnerable young adults. The multitude of programs by collaborating state agencies and community service providers is a model that Hawaii can be proud of. As KYFWC is adapting to the services youth need, the load of managing KYFWC is increasing, and we need a Planner VI position to ensure continued success on behalf of our youths.

## Benefits, Employment & Support Services Division (BESSD)

**HMS 224 - Homeless Services** 

		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26			FY27		
Prog	Dept			FTE	FTE		FTE	FTE	
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	(P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	(P)	(T)	\$ Amount
		Funds for Family							
224HS-01	17	Assessment Center	Α			1,550,000			1,550,000
		Funds for Housing First							
224HS-02	14	Program	Α			3,750,000			3,750,000
		Funds for Outreach and							
224HS-03	15	Civil Legal Services	Α			1,750,000			1,750,000
		Funds for Rapid Re-							
224HS-04	16	Housing Program	Α			3,750,000			3,750,000

#### <u>224HS-01</u>: Funds for Family Assessment Center

Homelessness continues to persist as one of the most pressing issues facing Hawaii. Additionally, the demand for homeless services has steadily increased from 2022 to the present, reflecting the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. During this period, the number of homeless individuals per the annual statewide Point in Time Count has increased by 7% from 5,967 to 6,389. Based on a review of data following the 2009 economic recession, homelessness is projected to continue steadily increasing for the next several years and is expected to impact both single adults and families with minor children. Specifically, between 2009 and 2016, the number of people experiencing homelessness increased from 5,782 to a high of 7,921, a 37% increase over the 7 years. Accordingly, there is a need to sustain effective homeless services that emphasize placement into permanent housing to mitigate future increases in the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

This request will sustain funding for the Family Assessment Centers (FACs), which are a successful and critical tool to address homelessness specifically for families with minor children. The state framework to address homelessness includes a focus on a "Housing First" approach statewide. The FAC is a model of low-barrier shelters utilizing the "Housing First" philosophy to quickly move families with minor children off the streets and into transitional shelters or permanent housing. There are currently two FACs in operation - one in Waianae and one in Puna - that would be adversely impacted if funding for FAC services is not sustained.

The first FAC in Kakaako opened in September 2016, accommodating 12-15 families (up to 50 people) at any one time. In the last eight years of operation under the management of Catholic Charities Hawaii, the center served 326 households, placed 52.67% into permanent housing, and increased the income for 59% of families served.

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The original FAC in Kakaako closed in late 2022 when the city reclaimed control of the facility. To replace it, DHS relocated the FAC to a new site on Oʻahu. During the interim year, the FAC operated remotely, focusing on supporting families who had previously exited the program to ensure they maintained their permanent housing. The FAC later relocated to serve the Waianae Coast. The Point in Time Count (PIT) reports indicated that Waianae had the largest percentage of unsheltered individuals on the island, with 27% or 630 individuals in 2023 and 28% or 785 individuals in 2024.

The relocated FAC in Waianae officially reopened on March 18, 2024. From July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, the new FAC achieved a 100% housing placement rate by transitioning all eight families it served into permanent housing. On average, the FAC in Waianae transitioned families into permanent housing within 77 days, or just under three months.

In 2019, the Legislature passed Act 62, with an appropriated \$800,000 for the operation of a second FAC. DHS procured the services for a second FAC, operated by Neighborhood Place of Puna. This center can accommodate up to 9 families (up to 27 people) at any one time. This FAC was the first of its kind on a neighbor island. From July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, the Puna FAC transitioned 21 of 32 families into permanent housing, achieving a 66% placement rate. Families moved into permanent housing within an average of 89 days or just under three months. From July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, the FAC of Puna successfully transitioned 20 of 33 families into permanent housing, achieving a 66% placement rate. Families were moved into permanent housing in an average of 77 days, just under three months, which represents a 12-day improvement over the previous year's average. In the last five years of operation, the Puna FAC served a total of 200 households, placed 49% into permanent housing, and increased the income for 54% of families served.

A key benefit of the FACs is the focus on placements into permanent housing. Additionally, FACs address the social determinants of health and provide case management services with an emphasis on building social capital. Social capital can be described as increased peer support and a sense of community; connections to family, friends, and neighbors; participation in community and faith-based organizations; school and workplace connections; leadership and professional development programs; engagement with case managers or career coaches; and other social networks. It produces information, emotional or financial support, and/or other resources. Research shows that individuals with higher levels of social capital are happier and healthier, find better jobs, and live longer. Communities with higher levels of social capital have higher educational achievement, faster economic growth, and less crime.

The requested level of funding will support the continued operation of both the Waianae and Puna FACs. While the FAC program targets homeless families with minor children, it is just one piece of a larger state strategy that includes other interventions (e.g., street outreach, rapid rehousing, etc.) that address the broader population of homeless persons, including homeless youth and chronically homeless adults.

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## 224HS-02: Funds for Housing First Program

This request will sustain funding for the state Housing First program, which focuses on the most visible, chronically homeless population - the same population who frequently utilize healthcare services and cycles in and out of the criminal justice system. Supportive case management services are key to moving chronically homeless individuals off of the streets, ensuring that they remain successfully housed, and reducing the utilization of high-cost emergency room services. The Housing First program provides housing and supportive case management services with an emphasis on building the social capital of unsheltered, chronically homeless persons. DHS currently contracts for state Housing First services in each major County - on Oahu, Hawaii island, Maui, and Kauai. These services would be adversely impacted if funding for state Housing First is not sustained. In particular, the clients who are currently in the program will likely be displaced back to homelessness if these supportive services are not continued.

The state Housing First program has been active on Oahu for more than nine years and on the neighbor islands for more than seven years. Currently, the program supports 258 chronically homeless individuals, boasting a housing retention rate of 91%, well above the national average of 80%.

Between June 27, 2023, and June 26, 2024, the program successfully transitioned 36 individuals to permanent housing through its Move On strategy. The Moving On strategy is a framework designed to help individuals transition from Housing First programs while ensuring their continued success and mobility. It focuses on increasing program capacity by freeing up Housing First units for those in greater need and supporting tenant choice by acknowledging that the Housing First program may not be the final destination for everyone, thereby enabling more people to move on to other housing options.

Historically, the state Housing First program has been funded on a year-to-year basis except during Legislature Session 2023, wherein it was funded for the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium. It is critical that funding be recurring and sustained in the base budget. Without sustained funding, the individuals who are currently housed in the program will be at immediate risk and will likely return to homelessness as program participants require supportive case management to remain housed. Investment in a Housing First program keeps people housed (91% retention rate) and results in significant public cost savings over time. A preliminary analysis by the University of Hawaii Center on the Family of a subset of state Housing First clients found that estimated healthcare costs for clients dropped an average of 43% in just six months following housing placement – from an average of \$10,570 per client per month to \$5,980 per client per month.

Social capital is another component addressed through Housing First services. Social capital can be described as increased peer support and a sense of community; connections to family, friends, and neighbors; participation in community and faith-based organizations; school and

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workplace connections; leadership and professional development programs; engagement with case managers; and other social networks. Individuals with positive social connections have access to information, emotional or financial support, and/or other resources. Research shows that individuals with higher levels of social capital are happier and healthier, find better jobs, and live longer. Further, communities with higher levels of social capital have higher educational achievement, faster economic growth, and less crime.

While the state Housing First program targets the chronically homeless, it is one piece of a larger state strategy, which includes other interventions (e.g., street outreach, rapid re-housing, etc.) that address the broader population of homeless persons, including homeless youth and families.

## 224HS-03: Funds for Outreach and Civil Legal Services

This request will sustain funding for the Homeless Outreach and Civil Legal Services program. Homeless Outreach is the primary method for identifying and assisting unsheltered homeless individuals and connecting them to other homeless services, such as shelter, Housing First, Rapid Re-Housing, and other interventions to help them transition off the streets or other public lands.

This outreach effort is closely integrated with enforcement actions targeting visible homeless encampments on public lands. To prevent merely displacing individuals, outreach providers collaborate with state agencies to move unsheltered persons into long-term housing solutions.

Additionally, civil legal services enable outreach and other service providers to obtain identification documents for individuals experiencing homelessness who need state-issued identification to access housing and employment. Sustained, year-round funding is crucial for maintaining and expanding outreach and civil legal services, as inconsistent funding could hinder efforts to manage the increasing number of unsheltered individuals.

Outreach services include helping individuals obtain identification documents, find suitable housing, assist with job searches, and apply for public benefits. Building strong relationships with those who have previously avoided services, outreach staff play a key role in connecting people to essential resources, addressing immediate needs, and ultimately reducing the negative impacts of rough sleeping and vagrancy arrests. If homeless outreach and civil legal services are not sustained, this will dilute the state's ability to respond to unsheltered individuals and make it more challenging to maintain a focus on reducing unsheltered homelessness.

Since FY18, homeless outreach services have been provided to an average of 2,976 individuals each year, with 382 individuals, on average, placed into permanent housing from the streets. On average, another 1,718 individuals were placed into appropriate settings such as homeless

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shelters. Outreach performance and outcome measures target 15% or less for a return to homelessness, and Outreach services have exceeded expectations with an average rate of 10.47%.

Civil legal services assisted an average of 732 individuals each year since FY18, with an 84.5% success rate in obtaining vital documents and identification cards. From June 15, 2023, to June 14, 2024, civil legal services successfully secured 616 vital documents for 756 individuals, achieving an 81.4% success rate.

Homeless outreach and civil legal services reflect a 'Housing First' approach to ending homelessness and remain a critical and challenging component of our current care system. While the Homeless Outreach and Civil Legal Services program specifically targets unsheltered homelessness, it is one piece of a larger state strategy, which includes other interventions (e.g., Family Assessment Centers, Housing First, rapid re-housing, etc.) that address the broader population of homeless persons that include homeless youth and families.

Like the other strategies, this performance measure is aligned with the implementation of the DHS 'Ohana Nui strategy, which emphasizes building social capital as one of the pillars of the social determinants of health. Consistent with the 'Ohana Nui strategy, homeless outreach services address the social determinants of health and provide case management services with an emphasis on building social capital. Social capital can be described as increased peer support and a sense of community; connections to family, friends, and neighbors; participation in community and faith-based organizations; school and workplace connections; leadership and professional development programs; engagement with case managers; and other social networks. It produces information, emotional or financial support, and/or other resources. Research shows that individuals with higher levels of social capital are happier and healthier, obtain permanent housing, find better jobs, and live longer. Further, communities with higher levels of social capital have higher educational achievement, faster economic growth, and less crime.

As noted above, homelessness remains a persistent and pressing issue facing Hawaii. Additionally, the demand for homeless services has steadily increased from 2022 to the present, reflecting the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. During this period, the number of homeless individuals per the annual statewide Point in Time Count increased by 7% from 5,967 to 6,389. Based on a review of data following the 2009 economic recession, homelessness is projected to continue steadily increasing for the next several years and is expected to impact both single adults and families with minor children. Specifically, between 2009 and 2016, the number of people experiencing homelessness increased from 5,782 to a high of 7,921, a 37% increase over the 7 years. Accordingly, there is a need to sustain effective homeless services that emphasize placement into permanent housing to mitigate future increases in the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

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## 224HS-04: Funds for Rapid Re-Housing Program

This request will sustain funding for the Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) program. RRH is a nationally recognized best practice, and its core components are housing identification and location services, time-limited move-in and rental assistance, and short-term case management and services. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has long endorsed this practice as an effective way to end homelessness among families with minor children.

In particular, RRH plays a key role in helping to maximize space in homeless shelters by targeting individuals and families currently staying in shelters and providing them additional support to quickly transition to more permanent housing. By targeting homeless individuals and families who are currently in shelters, the RRH program accelerates the placement of families with children into more permanent housing and allows the state to maximize its existing shelter inventory.

Currently, many family shelters are at maximum capacity and are experiencing a "backlog" because families are challenged to move quickly from homelessness to being housed with stability. RRH assists in moving families much more quickly through shelter and into permanent housing. For example, if a family came into a shelter with a dedicated source of income but without enough savings to afford the first month's rent and move-in costs, the RRH program could assess the family's sustainability and provide the financial support immediately to have the family either avoid entering or at least limit the amount of time spent in a homeless shelter. This approach is especially important for rural and neighbor island communities, which have limited shelter space. In addition, this use of RRH recognizes that it is extremely cost-intensive to construct and fund additional homeless shelters and that the construction of new shelters is inconsistent with national best-practice approaches to addressing homelessness that minimize the number of interim transitions from homelessness to permanent housing.

In addition to supporting homeless individuals and families with rental assistance and placement into housing, RRH also provides supportive services to assist a family in maintaining their housing. If a family encounters difficulties with paying rent shortly after moving to permanent housing, the RRH program connects the family with appropriate resources and support to stabilize and maintain their permanent housing. In this way, Rapid Re-Housing is effective in ending and preventing homelessness.

The state's Rapid Re-Housing program has served an average of 1,468 individuals in 591 households each year since FY18. Between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024, 1,669 individuals in households received Rapid Re-Housing services, with a permanent housing rate of 60.7%. This rate is derived from 1,014 individuals who exited RRH programs during the year. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) data indicates that the average duration from intake to permanent housing for individuals in RRH programs was 174 days or approximately five and a half months. RRH services aim for a return-to-homeless rate of 15% or lower, and they have consistently exceeded this target with a rate of 12% each year.

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Aligned with the DHS 'Ohana Nui Strategy, the RRH program addresses the social determinants of health and provides increased housing stability for families with minor children with case management services that emphasize building social capital. Social capital can be described as increased peer support and a sense of community; connections to family, friends, and neighbors; participation in community and faith-based organizations; school and workplace connections; leadership and professional development programs; engagement with case managers; and other social networks. It produces information, emotional or financial support, and/or other resources. Research shows that individuals with higher levels of social capital are happier and healthier, obtain permanent housing, find better jobs, and live longer. Further, communities with higher levels of social capital have higher educational achievement, faster economic growth, and less crime.

While the state RRH program focuses on placing individuals and families into housing and providing support to sustain housing, it is one piece of a larger state strategy, which includes other interventions (e.g., Family Assessment Centers, Housing First, homeless outreach, and civil legal services, etc.) that address the broader population of homeless persons, including homeless youth and families.

As previously noted, homelessness is one of the most persistent and pressing issues facing Hawaii. Additionally, the demand for homeless services has steadily increased from 2022 to the present, reflecting the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. During this period, the number of homeless individuals per the annual statewide Point in Time Count increased by 7% from 5,967 to 6,389. Based on a review of data following the 2009 economic recession, homelessness is projected to continue steadily increasing for the next several years and is expected to impact both single adults and families with minor children. Specifically, between 2009 and 2016, the number of people experiencing homelessness increased from 5,782 to a high of 7,921, a 37% increase over the 7 years. Accordingly, there is a need to sustain effective homeless services that emphasize placement into permanent housing to mitigate future increases in the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

HMS 236 – Case Management for Self-Sufficiency

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		BUDGET REQUEST			FY 2	6	FY27		
Prog	Dept			FTE	FTE	Amount	FTE	FTE	
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	(P)	(T)	(\$)	(P)	(T)	\$ Amount
		Transfer out 1.00 FTE and							
		Salary from HMS 236 to							
236LC-05	1	HMS 3022	Α	(0.57)		(20,062)	(0.57)		(20,062)
		Transfer out 1.00 FTE and							
		Salary from HMS 236 to							
236LC-05	1	HMS 3022	N	(0.43)		(24,820)	(0.43)		(24,820)
236LC-01	24	Funds for Security Guards	Α			794,488			794,488
236LC-01	24	Funds for Security Guards	N			599,265			599,265
		Funds for the Wahiawa							
236LC-02	36	Civic Center Move	Α			201,894			-
		Funds for the Wahiawa							
236LC-02	36	Civic Center Move	N			152,306			-
		Transfer out FTE and							
		Salaries of 5.00 Perm							
		Positions from HMS 236 to							
236LC-03	12	HMS 903	Α	(1.63)		(51,926)	(1.63)		(51,926)
		Transfer out FTE and							
		Salaries of 5.00 Perm							
		Positions from HMS 236 to							
236LC-03	12	HMS 903	Ν	(1.37)		(74,761)	(1.37)		(74,761)

236LC-05: Transfer out 1.00 FTE and Salary from HMS 236 to HMS 302

This request is to transfer the FTE and salary of position #31066 from HMS 236 to HMS 302. It is a companion to the HMS 302 request (302DA-01) to transfer an Office Assistant IV position from the Oahu Section 2 Kapolei Processing Center to the Child Care Subsidy Unit (CCSU).

Act 248, SLH 2022, approved 25 permanent positions and operating costs to implement the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) program within DHS with the intent to improve efficiency, timeliness, payment accuracy, and communication with families. Subsequent to that legislative approval, the CCSU was established in January 2023 with approval to transfer one permanent Office Assistant (OA) IV position from the Oahu Section 2 Kapolei Processing Center to the CCSU to bring the total number of positions for this newly established CCSU to 26 positions. The CCSU will service families statewide under a statewide model to be able to efficiently and effectively manage the statewide CCS caseload.

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The OA IV will play a key role in providing the CCSU clerical support to two CCSU Supervisors, 16 Eligibility Workers (EW), and 6 Social Service Assistants (SSA) in managing the CCSU administrative duties and client-related activities.

## <u>236LC-01:</u> Funds for Security Guards

DHS Benefit, Employment and Support Services Division (BESSD) has processing centers, care licensing offices, and first-to-work offices statewide. These processing centers house all the office assistants, eligibility workers, self-sufficiency and support services staff, human services professionals, and social workers who provide services and eligibility determination to most of our programs, including Supplemental Nutrition Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Aged, Blind and Disabled payments, General Assistance Payments, Child Care, and First-to-Work.

Security guards play a crucial role in the safety of all employees, clients, and visitors in each of our offices by ensuring a secure environment, and as a protective physical deterrent. Their presence also prevents unauthorized access and criminal activity. These contracted security guards work with the processing center staff to oversee who enters, exits, and moves around the facility. With the presence of security guards, people within our offices feel safe, and employees feel valued at work, which boosts their morale, allowing them to focus on their work.

Act 164, SLH 2023 appropriated additional funding for security guard services, though it is limited to FY24 and FY25. The appropriation should be recurring and made part of the base budget. The rate of security guard services has increased over the years, and currently, the rate per hour is \$29.04. With the re-opening of our offices post-pandemic, our lobbies are busier, and we are now utilizing a total of 28 security guards statewide.

Below is the calculation for the amount being requested.

Hourly Rate	Total salary per month per security guard (\$31.67 x 40 hrs x 4.333 weeks)	Number of Security Guards	Total Wages per month for 28 security guards	Total Wages per year for 28 security guards
\$ 31.67	\$ 5,489.04	28	\$ 153,693.24	The second secon
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		Total Needed for	Currelty on base	Additional funding
		FY26	budget for FY26	needed for FY26
	A (57%)	\$ 1,051,261.78	\$ 256,774.00	\$ 794,487.78
N (43%)		\$ 793,057.13	\$ 193,792.00	\$ 599,265.13
	Total	\$ 1,844,318.92	\$ 450,566.00	\$ 1,393,752.92

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### 236LC-02: Funds for the Wahiawa Civic Center Move

DHS continues to maintain a presence in communities around the state to provide services efficiently and accurately. For the residents of Wahiawa, North Shore, and the surrounding areas, our Wahiawa First-to-Work and Wahiawa Processing Center will soon be co-located in the new Wahiawa Civic Center. This move will allow DHS to maximize the use of our allotted space and provide streamlined services to our clients. The building of the new civic center started in October 2023 and is expected to be completed by the end of FY 2025. With completion next year, DHS requires funds to move current offices to the civic center. The civic center will also house offices for the Judiciary and the Department of Health.

The funds being requested are to furnish the new space and for moving and disposing of equipment and furniture from the old offices. It also includes expenses for the installation of phones and cabling of the new Wahiawa Civic Center, and the removal of cabling from the old offices. This funding is required for DHS to relocate staff and all required equipment and other necessary items.

As of September 2024, Wahiawa Processing Center and Wahiawa First-to-Work are currently serving a combined 2,727 households. There will be 23 employees from the Processing Center and First to Work office that will be consolidated at the Wahiawa Civic Center. Failure to fund the move may adversely impact operations for Wahiawa and impact the 2,700 clients receiving financial and SNAP benefits or receiving First to Work services.

236LC-03: Transfer out FTE and Salaries of 5.00 Perm Positions from HMS 236 to HMS 903

This request is to transfer out the FTE and salaries of five permanent positions from HMS 236 to HMS 903. This is a companion of the HMS 903 request (903FA-01) to transfer in and redescribe the positions to address the division's staffing needs.

Transferring the five positions will enable the division to function more efficiently and will support compliance with federal regulations. The positions will also support more timely and accurate processing of public benefits, thereby improving services for clients and reducing the risk of federal penalties related to delays in timeliness and increases in payment errors.

HMS 302 – General Support for Child Care

		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26			FY27		
Prog	Dept				FTE			FTE	
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	FTE (P)	(T)	\$ Amount
		Transfer in 1.00 FTE and							
		Salary from HMS 236 to							
302DA-01	1	HMS 3022	Α	0.57		20,062	0.57		20,062
		Transfer in 1.00 FTE and							
		Salary from HMS 236 to							
302DA-01	1	HMS 3022	N	0.43		24,820	0.43		24,820

### 302DA-01: Transfer in 1.00 FTE and Salary from HMS 236 to HMS 302

This request is a companion to the HMS 236 request (236LC-05) for transferring the 1.00 FTE and salary of position #31066, Office Assistant IV.

The child-care subsidy program implements federal and state child-care subsidy programs to help families afford child care, reduce their child-care expenses, and provide equal access to high-quality care for both underserved and at-risk families. The Child Care Subsidy Unit (CCSU) receives and processes applications; determines eligibility and issues child-care subsidy payments; provides technical assistance and resource and referral activities; and conducts background checks on all applicants, their household members, and licensed and registered providers to determine their risk with respect to children in care.

Act 248, SLH 2022, approved 25 permanent positions and operating costs to implement the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) program within DHS with the intent to improve efficiency, timeliness, payment accuracy, and communication with families. Subsequent to that legislative approval, the CCSU was established in January 2023 with approval to transfer one permanent Office Assistant (OA) IV position from the Oahu Section 2 Kapolei Processing Center to the CCSU to bring the total number of positions for this newly established CCSU to 26 positions. The CCSU will service families statewide under a statewide model to be able to efficiently and effectively manage the statewide CCS caseload.

The OA IV plays a key role in providing the CCSU clerical support to two CCSU Supervisors, 16 Eligibility Workers (EW), and 6 Social Service Assistants (SSA) in managing the CCSU administrative duties and client-related activities, including but not limited to:

- Answering and/or routing incoming questions based on knowledge and understanding
  of the CCSU to address situations that may occur in the absence of the unity supervisors,
  referring visitors and callers to appropriate staff.
- 2. Receiving and processing incoming mail and responding to routine correspondence.

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- 3. Issuing Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) cards and working with the client to activate the card.
- 4. Conducting simple procurement activities for the CCSU.
- 5. Assisting with registering applications and cases in the system of record and uploading documents into the electronic case file (ECF) record.
- 6. Preparing Administrative Hearing requests and monitoring/maintaining hearing schedules and decisions.
- 7. Preparing and managing CCSU reports for submission to the Supervisors.
- 8. Making arrangements for equipment and technology maintenance, upgrades, refreshes, and replacement.
- 9. Preparing telecom and staff training requests.
- 10. Maintaining position inventory.
- 11. Processing travel arrangements.
- 12. Preparing Human Resource documents, attendance and leave records, reallocation requests, and requests to fill.

As the CCSU works to become fully staffed, it is imperative to have this OA IV position transferred into the applicable Program ID, HMS 302, to complete the recruitment process to fill this key support role in the new CCSU.

HMS 903 – General Support for Self-Sufficiency Services

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		BUDGET REQUEST			FY	26		FY27		
Prog	Dept				FTE			FTE		
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	FTE (P)	(T)	\$ Amount	
903FA-01	12	Transfer In FTE and	Α	1.60		92,178	1.60		92,178	
		Salaries of 5.00 Perm								
		Positions from HMS 236 to								
		HMS 903; Redescribe								
		Positions								
903FA-01	12	Transfer In FTE and	N	1.40		135,054	1.40		135,054	
		Salaries of 5.00 Perm								
		Positions from HMS 236 to								
		HMS 903; Redescribe								
		Positions								
903FA-03	20	Add 1.00 FTE and Funds	Α	0.50		1,738,556	0.50		1,734,310	
		for the Summer Electronic								
		Benefits Transfer (S-EBT)								
903FA-03	20	Add 1.00 FTE and Funds	N	0.50		1,761,060	0.50		1,757,206	
		for the Summer Electronic								
		Benefits Transfer (S-EBT)								
903FA-05	35	Funds for SNAP Smart Food	Α			1,500,000			-	
		Program								
903FA-07	3	Funds for Benefits	Α			1,060,000			1,060,000	
		Eligibility Solution (BES)								
		Ongoing Software Costs								
903FA-07	3	Funds for Benefits	Ν			940,000			940,000	
		Eligibility Solution (BES)								
		Ongoing Software Costs								

<u>903FA-01:</u> Transfer in FTE and Salaries of 3.00 Perm Positions from HMS 236 to HMS 903; Redescribe Positions

This request is a companion to the HMS 236 request (236LC-03) transferring the FTE and salaries of 3.00 permanent positions. In addition, the purpose of the request is to redescribe the positions to meet the needs of the division. The Purchasing Tech II, Investigator III, and Outreach Manager (Self-Sufficiency Support Services Specialist V) positions are especially critical due to the increasing number of applications and calls for assistance received by the Statewide Branch (SB). For example, currently, the SB receives 33,600 calls monthly and 8,800 applications monthly compared to 4,412 applications in February 2020 (pre-pandemic).

The FNS recently informed DHS in June 2024 that we will face financial penalty for increased error rates in processing during the pandemic waiver years and has placed DHS in corrective

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action for not meeting federal timeliness standards for SNAP. The five positions listed below will support increased efficiency in the overall operations of the BESSD, increase capacity to respond to and comply with federal requirements regarding program integrity and restitution of overpayments, and enable the SB to refine outreach, the call center, and business processes to increase timeliness and reduce instances of payment error in benefit processing.

### **Purchasing Tech II**

BESSD Administrative Management Services Office (AMSO) and Support Services Office (SSO) had a Purchasing Technician position that was defunded in FY21 and unfortunately abolished in FY22. This position is very crucial as it is the only purchasing technician for our division. The position is responsible for purchasing supplies and equipment for the entire Division. The position also reviews supplies and equipment requests from the Statewide Branch (SB) and recommends approval/disapproval or suggests alternatives/substitutes to the Staff Services Supervisor; conducts procurement of leased equipment such as multi-function devices, postage machines, and monthly air conditioning maintenance for SB units; assists in processing pCard/Purchase Orders (PO)'s and invoices for security guards, courier services, janitorial services, telephones, etc., assists with units' moves to other offices, and contacts the various vendors for moving services, equipment disposals, etc. The Purchasing Tech position also processes inventory paperwork for the Division administrator's signature. Since we currently do not have a purchasing technician position, all of these responsibilities are added to the duties of the Staff Services Supervisor, alongside managing several positions at the central files office. In particular, funding the Purchasing Tech II position would better enable the division to support the operations of SB, which provides direct assistance to clients applying for and receiving SNAP and financial assistance benefits.

#### **Investigator III**

The primary function of the Restitution Control Staff (RCS) of the Investigations Office (INVO) is to establish and implement the Department's statewide program to control and enforce restitution due to DHS because of overpayments and overissuances made in the various public assistance programs administered by DHS. One Investigator III position in this office was abolished in FY22.

The primary purpose of the Investigator III positions is to provide investigative services to recover monies due to the Department; locate persons of interest for other DHS program offices and other State Departments as requested; provide mandated support to the FBI Fleeing Felon Program; and conduct other investigations as directed.

The workload for the Restitution Control Staff requires a minimum of three investigators. Additionally, due to the sensitivity of information in some of the tasks, access to the information is only granted to one investigator. In the past, the workload was divided among three investigators to maintain efficiency, accuracy, and confidentiality. For example, INVO receives an FBI fleeing felon list of over 1,000 pages, with at least 100 names on each page every three months. The RCS Investigators must screen the list to identify individuals who have

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outstanding warrants and are residing in Hawaii. Once they identify those individuals, they then must attempt to locate those individuals. The tasks for completing this function are extensive and require the investigator to research various databases and coordinate with other agencies to verify and locate the individual.

Other functions include, but are not limited to, screening restitution accounts for accuracy, providing testimony in bankruptcy proceedings, and identifying and locating family members of deceased account holders. With only one Investigator III, RCS would not be able to continue to function efficiently and effectively and would negatively impact DHS's ability to fulfill its obligations and oversight requirements mandated by FNS.

### **Outreach Manager**

As we continue to provide services for the most vulnerable members of our community, SB coordinates outreach efforts with various community partners. There has been an increased demand for eligibility staff to attend outreach events to assist with eligibility processing, including Rapid Response with the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) when businesses shut down or reduce operations and community service fairs. Outreach staff assist attendees with applying for benefits and services, conduct and complete interviews, and provide answers to questions about programs or case status. DHS is requesting a position to manage and oversee this service provision.

The Outreach Manager would ensure staffing for outreach events, coordinate with the community partners, manage the field operations, and troubleshoot during events (including supervising staff during events, providing clarification on basic policy and procedures of determining eligibility, and assisting eligibility staff as needed), create and maintain policies and procedures for SB Outreach, continue to build partnerships within the community and manage logistics and equipment needs for events and operations. Allowing someone to focus on this important outreach effort fully will also assist SB in more fully developing its outreach coordination and activities. Residents will benefit from services in their communities that generally take place during non-traditional office hours. It is the goal of SB to eventually have a separate group of eligibility staff that would devote their time to outreach in the community.

903FA-03: Add 1.00 FTE and Funds for the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (Summer EBT)

The Consolidated Appropriations Act 2023 (P.L. 117-328) authorized a permanent, nationwide Summer EBT program that began in 2024. Branded as "SUN Bucks" in Hawaii, Summer EBT intends to reduce hunger and food insecurity for children who lose access to free and reduced-price meals through the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program during the summer when school is not in session.

Hawaii's participation in the new federal Summer EBT program required and continues to require a 50/50 match of state funds to federal funds to administer the program. Act 155, SLH

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2024 established the Summer EBT program in DHS, subject to the availability of funds, and provided the general funds needed for the federal fund match to implement Summer EBT for FY2024-2025 that was used for the 2024 Summer break. The inaugural Summer EBT program served approximately 90,000 children statewide by providing each child with a food benefit of \$177 to purchase approved food items and address their food needs during the summer break period. These benefits were 100% federally funded and totaled nearly \$16 million in food purchasing benefits that could be spent at local food retailers. Notably, each \$1 of this benefit spent has a multiplier effect of generating \$1.80 in economic stimulus for the local economy.

This budget request completes the intent of Act 155, SLH 2024, by establishing permanent administrative funding for the continued operation of the Summer EBT program. Act 155, SLH 2024, authorized 1.00 FTE position in DHS to be the administrative and implementing lead for Hawaii's SUN Bucks program. Act 155, SLH 2024, further appropriated funds for the contracting of the operational services and technical system development services.

The Summer EBT contracts break down as follows:

- \$1,431,920 On-going system costs.
- \$1,344,000 Summer EBT/SUN Bucks Customer Service (call center & application processing);
- \$ 500,000 EBT vendor costs; and
- \$ 120,000 Notice printing and mail distribution.

As mentioned previously, administration of this program requires a 50% state match. Without the State match, the only alternative to consider is not to operate the program. However, given the high cost of food, continuing access to federal nutrition benefits for school children on summer break is a priority to reduce food insecurity and child hunger.

## 903FA-05: Funds for SNAP Smart Food Program

Hawaii has an estimated food insecurity rate of 13.1%, with approximately 10.9% of Hawaii's population receiving benefits from the SNAP program. Food insecurity is associated with numerous adverse social and health outcomes and is increasingly considered a critical public health issue. Key drivers of food insecurity include unemployment, poverty, and income shocks, which can prevent adequate access to food.

Additionally, food prices in Hawaii continue to increase.

To address food insecurity and rising food prices, DHS will implement the Smart Food supported by the Governor's office. The Smart Food Program matches surplus food with local SNAP recipients. This program will allow Hawaii food producers and retailers to make specific food items, including fresh produce, available at discounted prices to SNAP recipients in specific stores where surplus inventories are identified through a mobile application. This virtual

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marketplace will coordinate the offers of food as digital coupons to be shared with participating SNAP recipients. Moreover, the mobile application will deliver tailored nutrition information to SNAP recipients to encourage healthy food choices. The State of Delaware will be the first state to use this mobile application, and Hawaii proposes to be the next State to implement this.

The service will be done via contract. The deliverable will be a mobile application that SNAP recipients could voluntarily enroll in. This application would provide them alerts of reduced-priced food items and access to other cost-saving information, allowing them to have greater purchasing options with their limited benefits.

### 903FA-07: Funds for Benefits Eligibility Solution Ongoing Software Costs

DHS is currently working on the development and implementation of its new Benefits Eligibility Solution (BES) eligibility system, which is the replacement eligibility system for the department's legacy Hawaii Automated Welfare Information (HAWI) eligibility system. DHS expects to implement the BES statewide in late 2025. BES will be the system to determine eligibility, authorize benefits, and provide ongoing eligibility case management for the department's public benefits programs, including Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Temporary Assistance for Other Needy Families (TAONF), General Assistance (GA), and Aid to the Aged, Blind, and Disabled (AABD).

Previous funding for maintenance & operations (M&O) for BES was appropriated initially in 2018 and was adjusted last legislative session to add \$288,177 A funds and \$255,500 N funds. While implementation was initially scheduled for mid-2024, implementation has been delayed, and the M&O estimates have been reevaluated to include additional ongoing software costs at \$2M per year on a recurring basis. The additional \$2M being requested includes annual Google Cloud subscription services supporting multiple environments (Engineering, Development, Testing, Integration, Staging, Production, Security, Training, and Disaster Recovery) that are necessary for the BES system modernization.

In addition to this request, there is a separate one-time budget request (above) for \$10M in FY26 for BES development and testing, as well as a legislative proposal to request a \$5.4M Emergency Appropriation (EA) in FY25. The EA is specifically to reinvest a portion of a federal penalty for payment errors to build additional functionality in BES aimed at improving the accuracy of SNAP benefit processing and reducing errors related to overpayments and underpayments. All three requests are necessary to support the full development and implementation of BES.

BES is especially critical to address the FNS penalty for failing to achieve a SNAP payment error rate for federal fiscal year 2023 at or below the national average of 11.68%. The BES will

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include necessary functionality to reduce and prevent payment errors, such as an automated rules engine that will increase efficiency and streamline existing processes. If BES development is not completed and does not have sufficient funding for ongoing operation and maintenance of critical BES environments, Hawaii will be at increased risk of high payment error, potentially delayed timeliness in processing benefits, and may be at increased likelihood of incurring additional financial penalties from FNS in future years.

# **Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)**

#### HMS 802 - Vocational Rehabilitation

		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26				FY27		
Prog	Dept				FTE			FTE		
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	FTE (P)	(T)	\$ Amount	
		Randolph Sheppard								
		Revolving Account Ceiling								
802GA-02	30	Request	W			669,800			669,800	

## 802GA-02: Randolph Sheppard Revolving Account Ceiling Request

This request is to permanently increase the revolving fund appropriation ceiling for DVR's (HMS 802) Randolph-Sheppard Revolving Account from \$1,330,200 to \$2,000,000. Additional Governor discretion to raise the ceiling in increments of \$1,000,000 as needed would also facilitate the administration of the Randolph-Sheppard program.

The Randolph-Sheppard (or "Blind Vending") program exists to provide quality employment opportunities for blind entrepreneurs licensed by the State of Hawaii DHS/DVR/Ho`opono-Services for the Blind Branch (the "SLA" or State Licensing Agency"). The Randolph-Sheppard program is mandated to continuously seek new opportunities for requesting to keep the ceiling for the Randolph-Sheppard S-350 Account at \$2 million. The account funds are used to assist licensed blind vendors statewide at county, state, and federal locations with costs of renovations, purchases/repair of equipment, supplies, vendor benefits, and professional development. This includes new facilities, as well as providing necessary upgrades, renovations, equipment, and supplies to existing facilities, which can range from small sundry shops to larger-scale cafeterias on county, state, and federal properties.

The income that funds this account comes primarily from the Honolulu Airport Settlement Agreement and non-assigned vending machines on federal property and is sufficient to maintain the budget at \$2 million permanently. The Randolph-Sheppard Revolving Account is used for these purposes, as well as the overall provision of management services, training, equipment, retirement and medical benefits, and travel for blind vendors. The ever-increasing cost of medical services causes a need to increase annual medical benefits for the vendors.

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Funding for renovations to blind vending stands (\$415,276), increased medical insurance (\$167,450), and increased retirement costs for blind vendors (\$87,074) have been deemed non-recurring and are not considered part of the base budget. Therefore, the ceiling of \$1,330,200.00 is insufficient to cover these ongoing expenditure requirements.

## Med-QUEST Division (MQD)

# **HMS 401 – Health Care Payments**

HIVIS 4U1	– Hear	th Care Payments							
		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26			FY27		
Prog	Dept			FTE	FTE		FTE	FTE	
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	(P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	(P)	(T)	\$ Amount
		Establish a Special							
		Fund Appropriation							
		Ceiling for the Nursing							
		Facility Sustainability							
401PE-01	1	Special Fund	В			30,000,000			30,000,000
		Establish a Special							
		Fund Appropriation							
		Ceiling for the Hospital							
		Sustainability Special							
401PE-02	2	Fund	В			200,000,000			200,000,000
		Increase Payments to							
		Professional Services							
401PE-03	3	Providers	Α			12,053,060			12,053,060
		Increase Payments to							
		Professional Services							
401PE-03	3	Providers	N			17,402,121			17,402,121
		Increase Provider							
		Payment Rates for							
		Applied Behavioral							
401PE-04	4	Analysis (ABA) Services	Α			2,690,000			2,690,000
		Increase Provider							
		Payment Rates for							
		Applied Behavioral							
401PE-04	4	Analysis (ABA) Services	N			3,810,000			3,810,000

		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26		FY27	
		Increase In-Home					
401PE-05	5	HCBS	Α		-		-
		Increase In-Home					
401PE-05	5	HCBS	Ν		14,060,000		14,060,000
		Add General Funding					
		for the Death Benefits					
401PE-06	6	Program	Α		277,600		277,600
		Add General Funding					
		for the Child Wellness					
		Incentive Pilot					
401PE-07	7	Program	Α		750,000		750,000

<u>401PE-01:</u> Establish Special Fund Appropriation Ceiling for the Nursing Facility Sustainability Special Fund

The purpose of this request is to establish a special fund appropriation ceiling in HMS 401 for the Nursing Facility Sustainability Special Fund, which is established in Chapter 346F, HRS. This appropriation ceiling was established in Act 109, SLH 2023, and not in the executive budget act. This special fund collects revenue from the Nursing Facility Sustainability Program, which was made permanent in 2023. Expenditures from this special fund support Hawaii's nursing facilities through increased Medicaid reimbursement rates and covering the quality improvement programs. The program helps ensure continued access to care for Medicaid beneficiaries in nursing facilities.

<u>401PE-02:</u> Establish Special Fund Appropriation Ceiling for the Hospital Sustainability Special Fund

The purpose of this request is to establish a special fund appropriation ceiling in HMS 401 for the Hospital Sustainability Special Fund, which is established in Chapter 346G, HRS. This appropriation ceiling was established in Act 110, SLH 2023, and not in the executive budget act. This special fund will collect revenue from the Hospital Sustainability Program, which was made permanent in 2023. Expenditures from this special fund support Hawaii's private hospitals through increased reimbursements and supporting a pay-for-performance program. The program helps maintain access to care for Medicaid beneficiaries, and to improve health outcomes/care.

401PE-03: Sustain Increase Payments for most Medical - Professional Services

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This request is to sustain the increased reimbursement rates for most medical professional services (e.g., Doctor's visits) to 100% of the Medicare fee schedule. Without this increase, the fee schedule would be reduced back to approximately 60% of the Medicare fee schedule for most of the medical/professional services. This request makes these funds a recurring item in the base budget as funds appropriated for this increase in fiscal biennium FY23-FY25 were non-recurring.

401PE-04: Increase Provider Payment Rates for Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) Services

This request is to provide recurring funding increases for Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services. The appropriation in 2024 was non-recurring. In 2023, Senate Concurrent Resolution 132, Senate Resolution 152, and House Resolution 207 requested DHS to take necessary steps to ensure adequate provider rates are established for ABA services. DHS contracted Miliman to do the study, which was completed and submitted to the Legislature in December 2023. The study uses a payment model based on an Independent Rate Model methodology, which means building the component parts of the rates from the ground up. Key components of this rate study included outreach and engagement with ABA provider agencies, providers, and their associations, collecting provider agency cost and wage survey data, and getting feedback on draft rate calculations. The rate study provided three scenarios (Scenario 1, 2, and 3), and this request is based on Scenario 1.

### 401PE-05: Increase In-Home HCBS

This request is to authorize federal funds to increase rates for in-home Home and Community Based Services (HCBS). In 2022, the Legislature requested that the DHS study the feasibility of increasing rates for Community Care Family Foster Homes, Adult Residential Care Homes, and other Home and Community Based Services (HCBS). As a result, the Med-QUEST Division worked with actuaries to do the rate study. A key part of the rate study included stakeholder outreach and engagement with HCBS providers and their associations, collecting provider cost and wage survey data, and getting provider feedback on draft rate calculations. Not surprisingly, the provider surveys showed significant wage pressure given the current labor market. The rate study methodology used wage and salary data for direct care staff and supervisors, employee-related expenses, transportation and administration, program support, overhead, and Bureau of Labor and Industry Wage Indices to pay for employee benefits such as health insurance. The final rate study was presented in December 2022 with three options for levels of funding - Low, Medium, and High. This request represents the "Low" option for the In-Home HCBS services.

These services provide eligible members with daily living services and supports (meal preparation, cleaning, bathing, community residential, home modifications, personal care) that help individuals live in the community or in their own homes instead of in institutional (nursing facility) care. The Legislature provided funding to increase the rates for all of the other Home

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and Community Based Services. The In-Home service increases, even at the "Low" option, reflect the competition for workers for this type of work (e.g., the hospitality sector). Without the increase, it will become increasingly difficult to find personal care workers needed for our kupuna and individuals with disabilities wishing to remain living in their own homes. If people cannot remain in their own homes, they will likely need more support in a more costly setting such as a nursing facility or other community residential setting.

The general fund portion of this request will come from the existing general fund appropriation for HMS 401.

## 401PE-06: Add General Funding for Death Benefits Program

In 2024, Act 108 appropriated \$277,600 to the DHS, Med-QUEST Division, to increase payments for the cost of the mortuary, crematory, or hydrolysis facility services for unclaimed dead human bodies from \$800 to \$1,600. Funding was only appropriated for FY 2025, so this request is to include the funds in the base budget on a recurring basis to make this increase permanent.

## 401PE-07: Add General Funding for Child Wellness Incentive Pilot Program

This request appropriates funds to the Med-QUEST Division's budget for the Child Wellness Incentive Pilot Program established in Act 127, SLH 2022. Act 127, SLH 2022, makes a \$50 payment to each state Medicaid benefit recipient for each completed well-child examination of that recipient parent's child, provided that only one payment may be made per child each year. Med-QUEST requested and received an appropriation in the Fiscal Biennium FY23-FY25 budget, but this funding was designated as non-recurring. This program is established for five years, ending on June 30, 2027; thus, funding needs to be included in the Med-QUEST budget in order for the program to continue to make these incentive payments through June 20, 2027.

HMS 902 – General Support for Health Care Payments:

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		BUDGET REQUEST			FY 2	26		FY27		
Prog	Dept				FTE			FTE		
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	FTE (P)	(T)	\$ Amount	
902IA-01		Establish Special Fund Appropriation Ceiling for the Hospital Sustainability Special Fund	В			25,000,000			25,000,000	
902IA-02		Establish Special Fund Appropriation Ceiling for the Nursing Facility Sustainability Special Fund	В			5,000,000			5,000,000	

<u>902IA-01:</u> Establish Special Fund Appropriation Ceiling for the Hospital Sustainability Special Fund

The purpose of this request is to establish a special fund appropriation ceiling in HMS 902 for the Hospital Sustainability Special Fund, which is established in Chapter 346G, HRS. This appropriation ceiling was established in Act 110, SLH 2023, and not in the executive budget act. This special fund will collect revenue from the Hospital Sustainability Program, which was made permanent in 2023. 10% of the special fund fees are designated for the administration of the Medicaid program.

<u>902IA-02:</u> Establish Special Fund Appropriation Ceiling for the Nursing Facility Sustainability Special Fund

The purpose of this request is to establish a special fund appropriation ceiling in HMS 902 for the Nursing Facility Sustainability Special Fund, which is established in Chapter 346F, HRS. This appropriation ceiling was established in Act 109, SLH 2023, and not in the executive budget act. This special fund collects revenue from the Nursing Facility Sustainability Program, which was made permanent in 2023. Up to 12% of the fees collected in the special fund are to be used to support the Medicaid program administration.

### Social Services Division (SSD)

HMS 301 – Child Protective Services

		BUDGET REQUEST			FY 2	26		FY27		
Prog	Dept				FTE			FTE		
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	FTE (P)	(T)	\$ Amount	
		Add Funds for								
		Comprehensive Child								
		Welfare Information								
301SA-01	19	System (CCWIS)	Α			3,500,000			3,500,000	
		Child Protective Services								
		Shortage Differential for								
301SA-02	1	Recruitment and Retention	Α			3,000,000			3,000,000	

301SA-01: Add Funds for Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System (CCWIS)

This budget request is the first request for funding maintenance and operations necessary for HI-THRIVE. The funding will be used to procure a vendor to provide these services so that HI-THRIVE runs smoothly and does what it is expected to do.

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A modernized data system, with the use of current technology, is needed for Child Welfare Services (CWS). CWS continues to move forward with the implementation of its HI-THRIVE data system (aka the Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System (CCWIS)). HI-THRIVE is expected to provide the technological ability to access the system remotely, to be more user-friendly, to provide real-time data for a more efficient way of doing practice, and a means of having more accurate data needed in decision-making and progress monitoring.

HI-THRIVE is at the stage where the first phase of implementation should be in place by the end of Spring 2025. Once that is done, it will be necessary to have funding to provide the maintenance and operations (M&O) necessary to ensure the computer system runs smoothly. M&O will also troubleshoot identified issues that may prevent the system from optimal operations.

The funding includes the costs for various software licenses, e.g., Adobe eSign, Oracle Rule, Azure Integration, Dell Boomi, etc., which are necessary to meet the needs of the practice. The funding request also takes into account inflation and possible unanticipated reasonable expenses related to maintaining and operating HI-THRIVE, e.g., replacing incompatible equipment, updating current programs, etc. The amount requested is appropriate given the current stage of HI-THRIVE and the size of the system. Federal reimbursement for up-front costs is also available at the appropriate Title IV-E reimbursement rate.

Investing in a new system is critical in meeting the demands of daily operations and provides the ability to access and use data more effectively. Maintaining a computer system so that it operates correctly is critical to documentation and communication. Without this funding, if there are problems with the HI-THRIVE, there is no immediate remedy to resolving it; CWS will not have a data system that is necessary to perform the essential protective services and effectively help the children and families we serve.

There are no alternatives. M&O is a necessary part of having a functional data system.

301SA-02: Child Protective Services Shortage Differential for Recruitment and Retention

The work that Child Welfare Services (CWS) workers do is vital to keeping children safe and thriving while working to reunite them with their families as soon as possible or find an alternative permanent home when families cannot be reunified. The CWS vacancy rate has remained at least 30% for the past four years, and efforts to decrease the vacancy rate have made little impact.

This workforce capacity issue with CWS is a nationwide problem. Without a shortage differential, recruitment and retention will remain challenging, and vacancies will continue to increase as more workers become eligible to retire, find higher-paying jobs, or resign due to the challenges of the job and working conditions. Non-government employers can offer wages that are much more competitive than the salaries of positions in CWS. Many critics of CWS point to

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the capacity issue as a factor in child death, poor and untimely assessments, and delays in reunifying children with their families. Without this funding, CWS will continue to struggle to fill vacancies and retain experienced staff.

The additional workload adds more stress to already demanding jobs, leading to burnout. New recruits also decline job offers to accept higher-paying jobs. The Legislature previously appropriated funds for a shortage differential; however, it was a non-recurring expense and only for professional staff, e.g., line workers in social worker positions.

This request is to make the shortage differential part of the base budget and to include CWS support staff as well. Vacancies of support staff positions are also problematic, and those positions are critical to meeting the expectations of all the work that needs to be done by CWS. While the professional staff does the assessments for investigations and case management, it is the support staff that arranges for medical appointments, transports and supervises visits, completes all the paperwork for travel, makes referrals and completes applications for services, makes copies of reports for hearings, and keep the physical files organized and up-to-date, amongst many other things necessary to meet the daily operations of CWS. It is anticipated that to build and stabilize the workforce so that CWS can operate using best practices; the differential will continue to be needed in the years to come to increase the recruitment and retention of CWS workers.

Alternatives to a shortage differential are to increase the salaries of the CWS positions or to offer regular financial incentives as recruitment and retainment tools.

HMS 601 – Adult Protective and Community Services

		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26				FY27		
Prog	Dept				FTE			FTE		
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	FTE (P)	(T)	\$ Amount	
		Adult Protective and								
		Community Services								
601TA-01	11	Computer System Build	Α			550,000			550,000	

601TA-01: Adult Protective and Community Services Computer System Build

This request is for \$550,000 in recurring funds to continue the development of an information system for the Adult Protective and Community Services Branch (APCS). In 2020, APCS began working with a contracted provider, the University of Hawaii, Maui College, on the vision, design, and build of a new and updated technology infrastructure to address the specific needs of Hawaii's APCS program. The current CPSS system is antiquated, having been conceived and implemented over 30 years ago. It was created primarily for the State's Child Welfare Services

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Branch programs and is modified in small measures for APCS. Due to the age of the system and because it was never intended for Adult Protective Service data, it has been and remains inadequate for capturing information that is needed both internally as well as for state and federal reporting. It also results in laborious, ineffective, and time-consuming work for staff, who need a system that is responsive, portable, and effective for the work we do in this modern age.

The UH Maui College Software Development Center is working closely with APCS and continues to develop a new, single-entry system of record with identified functional program requirements, including modularized components from intake to investigatory abuse analysis and determination, retrieval of information to generate protective service documents, and ability to retrieve and display protective determination evidence expediently. We utilize departmental and contracted technical information technology (IT) support for the APCS new system of record, termination of data entry into the legacy system, and the ability to retrieve old data from the legacy system.

APCS has relied heavily on the beginning phases of the system, built on a series of Federal Grants (CRSA and ARPA) awarded to the program. Now that these grants are ending, we must continue to build upon the momentum and see the system-build project to fruition. For this, we will need State funding for \$550,000 built into our base budget. We will utilize these funds to continue the progress in developing a comprehensive system for assessment, investigation, case management, referral management, reporting, and business intelligence.

Many of the components are already in place, including the intake subsystem and a web-based reporter form coupled with auto-population of information into the APCS worker's intake report, making the reporting of abuse and screening process more efficient and timely, as well as an assessment tool to identify clients' areas of risk and needs, coupled with case management processes to reinforce that clients are supported with referrals and/or linkages to access needed goods and/or services.

Without adequate funding, this important project would likely be halted, and APCS would be left without a system of record as the CPSS system is phased out. APCS not having what is being requested may result in a negative impact on the most vulnerable people we service in our state, as APCS will not be able to access cases as readily, not be able to maneuver quicker to respond, and not be more mobile. We respectfully request the Legislature's support for APCS to reach our goal to adapt and change our environment so we can continue/improve service to the public efficiently and effectively.

The current antiquated system hinders the ability to serve and protect vulnerable adults. APCS needs a system that is user-friendly and supports staff in performing their essential work efficiently and successfully. The current system is DOS-based and limited in its data capacity as well as in its adaptability. Very little can be done to improve upon the system to meet the

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current demands; it is counter-intuitive and is very difficult to train staff to use, and largely inaccessible outside the traditional office space where it is housed with the mainframe system. The system lacks built-in logic, requiring staff to perform many tedious steps, such as data code entry and navigating multiple screens, to capture documentation of incoming reports of abuse and investigations.

APCS needs a system that is responsive and understandable to the current workforce and that enables us to access information and input data outside the traditional office space. As social workers and nurses, most of the work we perform is done "in the field." Without the ability to access information or input data remotely, our work is delayed and less efficient. APCS needs a system that supports our ability to protect vulnerable adults seamlessly, whether working in the office or remotely.

HMS 901 – General Support for Social Services

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		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26			FY27		
Prog	Dept				FTE			FTE	
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	FTE (P)	(T)	\$ Amount
		Additional Funds for							
901MA-01	23	Training	Α			300,000			-
		Add funds for Security							
		Measures for Social							
901MA-02	32	Services Division	Α			500,000			-

### 901MA-01: Additional Funds for Training

Training is essential in building capacity for a stable and competent workforce. This request will provide the funding to enhance the training resources available to division staff. For the past four years, the Division has been trying to enhance the capability of the Staff Development Office, with limited success. Audits and comprehensive quality improvement assessments identified the need to provide a better curriculum to train staff regularly as one of the key factors in building staff capacity and competency.

Despite receiving technical assistance to improve the training, the Division recognizes the need to seek services from external experts to train its trainers and create a curriculum that is evidence-based, comprehensive, and better suited to the needs of the current staff. Without external expertise, it will be a challenge to provide the skills and knowledge to move the Division towards a more efficient and knowledgeable workforce.

Other states similar to Hawaii in terms of number of staff have training academies and staff development teams that are double the size of Hawaii's. The expectation of the community is to provide the necessary training to staff so that they become more competent in the work they do. The training will provide a safety curriculum, cultural training to serve families better,

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legal training so workers can be more aware of legal rights, and enhancement of their knowledge about applicable statutes, administrative rules, and policies and procedures that impact their daily work. Training to stay up-to-date with best practices must also be provided, as well as training on trauma-informed approaches and self-care to address the concerns related to burnout.

Nationwide, states are facing a shortage of workers, and without the proper training and support, workers are quick to leave to find less demanding jobs. This Division, which includes Child Welfare Services and Adult Protective and Community Services, needs to build and stabilize its workforce to keep vulnerable children and adults safe. Training will assist in providing the skills, knowledge, and support to retain workers. Without the enhanced training that this funding would be used for, the Division will be unable to meet the training demands of its workers and will continue to be unable to recruit and retain employees.

The time to seek expertise from external sources to assist with and improve training needs is now if the improvements demanded by the community are to be met. Otherwise, the lack of training will continue to be a problem that will be scrutinized by the public and put the State in a vulnerable position.

901MA-02: Add funds for Security Measures for the Social Services Division

Threats and harassment to workers in the Division have increased, requiring the Department of Law Enforcement (DLE) to provide sheriff presence in offices and periodic patrolling by the sheriff in sheriff's vehicles. The Court also issued protective orders to keep targeted individual staff safe. Additionally, staff have had to make police reports related to threats about shooting workers, written attacks targeting workers on social media, and protests being held outside of offices due to fear of harm and/or threat to their physical safety.

DLE conducted an assessment of safety measures available, and additional funding is requested for the purchase of walk-in metal detectors and wand metal detectors, increased security presence and patrolling, panic buttons in each office, and software applications that can be downloaded on a worker's phone so that their location can be found if they need assistance while out in the field, doing their work.

There have been incidents of aggressive clients walking right into offices to confront workers. Protective screens at the front desk and doors with better locks, which can prevent the public from walking directly into offices, need to be installed in various offices to mitigate easy access to office spaces. The funds would also be used to purchase and install security cameras inside of office as well as in the parking lots where State vehicles are parked. There are increased incidents of state cars being stolen and/or tampered with after work hours.

This is the first time the Division is making this type of request. It is necessary to increase security measures to protect workers so they feel safe and comfortable while working in the

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office and out in the field. If workers do not feel safe, they may look for employment elsewhere, which is detrimental to the work that needs to be done and increases the workloads and stress of the remaining staff.

## Statewide Office on Homelessness & Housing Solutions (SOHHS)

HMS 777 – Office on Homelessness & Housing Solutions

		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26			FY27		
Prog	Dept			FTE	FTE		FTE	FTE	
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	(P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	(P)	(T)	\$ Amount
777HH-		Add Funding for							
01	10	Kauhale	Α			50,000,000			50,000,000
777HH-		Operating Cost for							
BF1		SOHHS	Α			308,960			308,960

## 777HH-01: Add Funding for Kauhale

This request is for \$50 million a year to fund the construction and operation of Kauhale over fiscal biennium 2025-2027 (FB 25-27).

Despite necessary investments in outreach, temporary shelter, and transitional housing, the number of "unsheltered" homeless on the street continued to climb as of January 2024; however, SOHHS has since reduced homelessness in Hawaii by over 500 in less than one year. Bringing an end to homelessness requires that, in addition to these essential services, we also invest in new approaches to housing and healing people for the long term. Without long-term space for people to transition into, homeless individuals will continue to cycle in and out of shelters and temporary spaces, waiting months and years for placement into long-term housing where they can heal and grow.

Kauhale offers one such solution. Kauhale or "village-style" housing is typically envisioned as tiny homes, prefabricated homes, or other modest, low-cost housing units with bathrooms and kitchens that are shared by multiple units. Kauhale are more affordable to construct than typical transitional or permanent housing due in part to the use of existing home units and shared baths and kitchens. In addition to lowering development costs, there are communal baths, communal living spaces, kitchens with shared space for cooking and eating, recreation, a garden for growing and sharing food, and other activities so that it will reduce the physical footprint of development and can help to foster a sense of community cooperation and shared responsibility. A Kauhale could also be created in an existing apartment, dormitory, or office building, as long as there is a communal living space, a kitchen, and bathrooms. When we build Kauhale using existing homes, apartments, condos, and/or office spaces, we reduce costs

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significantly because we do not need to place other infrastructure like water, sewer, and electricity.

The Kauhale pilot project was inspired by successful community-based efforts to house and heal people using communal design and operations. Leading examples include Hui Mahiai Aina in Waimanalo, Kama Oku Kauhale in Kalaeloa, and Puuhonua O Waianae in Waianae.

Kauhale can be created through partnerships between the state, counties, and private entities. For instance, a county may have usable land, private donors may be willing to fund construction, and the state may contract with a community organization to operate the village. Alternatively, a church may have land and be willing to operate a kauhale but need help from the county for infrastructure and from the state to pay for vertical construction. The goal is for state kauhale funds to fill funding gaps rather than shoulder the full cost of kauhale construction and operation.

The Administration is currently assessing the viability of Kauhale projects and sites. Our goal in January 2024 was to establish a minimum of 12 Kauhale in the next three years, with six on Oahu and two (2) in each of the neighbor island counties before the end of 2025.

Today we have surpassed that target and have upgraded our projected target to 24 Kauhale by the end of 2025 and no less than 30 Kauhale before the end of Governor Green's first term (2026).

To date, we have built 16 Kauhale within 10 months (January 2024 to October 2024): Waikiki Vista with 120 beds (Homeless families), Salvation Army Hilo with 25 beds, Middle Street with 19 beds, PaePae Hou-Wilson Street with 24 beds (drug detox – rehabilitation), Village of Redemption (re-entry) 20/24 with aquaponic and hydroponic features, Fernhurst YWCA with 29 beds (Women's re-entry), HI Public Housing (medical respite), Cedar Church Kalihi with 26 beds (Kupuna & Medical Respite), Ka Malu Ko'olau with 34 beds (Windward), Pu'uhonua O Nene (built-in 2023), Iwilei FHB with 32 beds inside (Medical Respite) and 30 tiny homes outside (Transitional Housing), Iwilei Kauhale with 54 tiny homes, Iwilei Resource Center with 100 beds, Maui Medical Respite, with 10 beds, US Vets Waianae (60 beds for families and single Adults), and House of Redemption 2 on Halina Street (Re-entry).

This is the list of upcoming Kauhale: 1. Youth Kauhale with 20 beds (First Lady Jaime Green's vision); 2. YMCA Atkinson First Kauhale for Diversion/Re-entry with 30 beds; 3. YMCA Nuuanu has 72 beds, Housing instability; 4. 550 Halekauwila with 80 beds, Diversion/Re-entry; 5. Kaneohe Windward with 11 bedrooms, fully ADA-compliant residence for Medicaid, Hospice, and Palliative care patients; 6. Kauai, Mahelona, Homeless with 24 beds; 7. Edwin Thomas Building, Chinatown, 30 Units Permanent Supportive Housing for Kupuna; 8. Cedar Church Waianae, Homeless, 100 beds; and 9. YMCA Waianae, 25 tiny homes.

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SOHHS has housed many people so far - approximately 563 people/beds. At our current pace, we will secure over 1,500 beds for individuals experiencing homelessness before the end of 2026.

First Lady Jamie Green is a part of the SOHHS Team as she is currently working with our office to open a youth Kauhale by November 2024, serving 18 homeless youth in the downtown area. She and Governor Green have helped SOHHS in presenting a \$235,000 grant to Residential Youth Services and Empowerment (RYSE), a nonprofit organization dedicated to youth services and empowerment, which offers emergency shelter for Hawaii's homeless youth.

Additionally, SOHHS is in the process of partnering with other nonprofit organizations for youth kauhale, hospice, and palliative care.

Construction costs for Kauhale will vary widely depending upon the design of the Kauhale and how much infrastructure and site work is needed for a particular property. Some sites may only require renovations to existing structures or installation of prefabricated homes, while others may require new construction and installation of water and sewer lines. Our estimate is an average capital cost per kauhale of \$2.5 million, with a wide range around that average figure. For 12 Kauhale over 3 years, the total cost would therefore be \$30 million. We aim to house an average of 75 residents per Kauhale for a total of 900 people housed. This reflects a per-person cost of \$33,000 to house an individual, far below typical development costs for housing a similar number of people.

Operating costs for a Kauhale/ohana zone pilot program may initially be similar to operating costs for shelters or transitional housing projects of a similar size. For example, transitional housing for 75 people costs approximately \$2.08 million annually to operate, based on estimates from homeless service providers. Total annual operating costs for 12 kauhale under these assumptions would be \$25 million. Note that some of these costs will be covered by resident rents. It may also be possible to blend state funding with other sources of funding for Kauhale operations.

We aim to demonstrate that Kauhale operating costs can be reduced over time as residents (with help from housed community supporters) grow their capacity to assume roles and responsibilities for aspects of village operations such as security, groundskeeping, maintenance, and community governance. Increasing resident participation and ownership of village operations will reduce annual costs and their sense of ownership and responsibility. At the same time, with stable housing, residents will have greater opportunities to increase their incomes through education and employment.

This is a pilot program to demonstrate the cost-effectiveness and impact of Kauhale. As such, there are no prior expenditures.

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Key performance metrics of the Kauhale pilot program will be the number of homeless individuals housed, the number who retain their placement in a kauhale, and the cost of housing individuals in a kauhale compared to other alternatives.

This is a new initiative that provides a complement to existing services and housing options. Ending homelessness requires investing in long-term affordable communities and trying new approaches, and the Kauhale pilot program is such an approach.

## 777HH-BF1: Operating Costs for SOHHS

This request is for the operation costs for SOHHS. Act 164, SLH 2023, as amended by Act 230, SLH 2024, shows that the funds for travel, office supplies, cell phone line, miscellaneous other current expenses, staff training, and registration, facilitation or consulting contract, routine and maintenance of machines, office furniture and equipment are non-recurring funds. These funds are necessary for the operation of SOHHS in FB 25-27.

## **General Administration for DHS**

HMS 904 - General Administration for DHS

		BUDGET REQUEST		FY 26			FY27		
Prog	Dept				FTE			FTE	
ID/Org	Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	(T)	Amount (\$)	FTE (P)	(T)	\$ Amount
		Support for IT Operations							
904AA-01	21	& Modernization	Α			4,000,000			-
		Add Funds for Family							
904AA-03	26	Resource Center	Α			605,000			605,000
904AA-04	8	DCMP-RAP	Α		3.00	411,216		-	-
904AA-04	8	DCMP-RAP	N		6.00	12,500,153		-	-

<u>904AA-01</u>: Add Information Technology Budget to Support IT Operations & Modernizations.

This request supports department IT operations and modernization. Today, the public is used to having online access at any time and from anywhere, quickly and seamlessly. Government services have not always been designed with the public's needs and priorities in mind. Many programs struggle to keep up with or stay ahead of our constituent needs, as external conditions change much faster than policy, rules, or laws can be adjusted.

As we look to move beyond the COVID-19 public health emergency, DHS must continue to make investments in technology and its technology workforce to deliver simple, seamless, and secure customer experiences more in line with common consumer experiences we are accustomed to in our personal lives. Whether through the provision of DHS benefits, programs, and services or the support provided to the divisions and agencies that deliver them, our

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collective commitment is the same: to improve the well-being of Hawaii's families and communities.

Our implementation of 'Ohana Nui aims to make strategic, intentional changes that enable us to reach our commitment even more effectively. Irrespective of people's age, digital ability, financial situation, disability, education, or English proficiency, our residents need a government that understands who they are, what they need, and how best to deliver for them. As such, every interaction between DHS and the public is an opportunity to show that the government can and will deliver the services people expect and deserve.

The investment decisions made today about how to shape, direct, and secure our infrastructure set the foundation for decades into the future. We must proactively plan to ensure we are positioned to react to the economic uncertainty of our local economy, rising inflation, potential recession, and the financial stock market impacts as the economy eventually recovers, both in the near and long term. Poorly designed, out-of-date, and inefficient government services are a burden to the workforce and the residents we serve. DHS must also compete with the highly competitive private sector to attract, hire, retain, develop, train, and empower talented individuals who are well-suited and well-prepared to face the challenges that we will face over the next five to ten years. As one of the largest employers in the state, we must take what we have learned from the pandemic and post-pandemic nationwide workforce and workplace trends to make the department and the Hawaii state government an ideal, modern, and forward-thinking employer.

'Ohana Nui is a proven approach that capitalizes on Hawaii's unique multigenerational family structure and provides a framework for human service delivery that positions whole families for a chance at greater well-being. Translated as extended or large family, 'Ohana Nui is an adaptation of the national two-generation approach. The approach addresses the needs of children, parents, and grandparents early and concurrently, resulting in better outcomes for the family. Practically speaking, this philosophy requires us to tear down our silos, think beyond the limitations of funding streams, and work across divisions, programs, and teams.

With the support of ETS and the IT Project Advisory Committee (PAC) throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, DHS has proven that we can successfully provide digital services quickly and efficiently by using technology to power outstanding experiences, engaging with our private-sector partners and nonprofit organizations, and collaborating with other state and county agencies to reduce the burdens of interacting with government by simplifying both public-facing and internal processes to improve efficiency, and empowering the workforce so that they can best deliver services from anywhere at any time. The primary focus was on urgent actions to keep our networks and systems up and running and to build additional capacity to increase our online capabilities to as many as possible. DHS kept operating throughout the pandemic, maintaining access to Hawaii residents while keeping clients and staff safe.

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DHS made significant investments leveraging emergency COVID and ARPA funds and grant funds from federal funding partners such as the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), FNS, and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to digitize several applications while increasing cybersecurity, antifraud, automation, artificial intelligence, and IT services. DHS has accelerated the adoption and use of secure cloud infrastructure and services to establish a platform for highly agile and responsive technical infrastructure that can easily expand and contract as resource needs change.

As more legacy and paper-based systems are modernized and made accessible to the public over the internet, the outdated systems and technical debt accumulated over decades limit the effectiveness of government and our ability to implement modern security practices as we continue to increase our online footprint. Continued investments are needed to provide new features and online capabilities, technology that enhances customer service capabilities, provides more resiliency in telecommunications and networks, and double down on automation and integration to remove wasted time in manual data entry and inefficient tasks that span across multiple systems so that the workforce can focus on delivering the benefits and services the public need.

Cybersecurity - \$500,000

Cybersecurity management, monitoring, and detection tools and training for Security staff and DHS employees address data loss or theft, hacker attacks, and ransomware attacks to ensure DHS remains compliant with federal, state, and local requirements and regulations.

Secure Cloud Infrastructure - \$250,000 Secure Government Cloud subscription for sensitive or other protected data or systems

Telecommunications and Network Redundancy - \$200,000

To provide multiple dedicated, high-speed network transport services between DHS offices, DHS computing data centers, and the public cloud services that DHS receives from Google and Microsoft.

Antifraud and Identity Proofing - \$650,000

Software and Services that provide electronic identity proofing for online applications that minimize, detect, and help prevent fraudulent applications, block known bad internet systems and networks, and Antifraud Analytics solutions that assist DHS investigations to prevent and detect potential fraudulent claims for food, financial, and Medicaid health insurance benefits. DHS distributes over \$3 billion each year in federal and state funds to support the nutrition, financial, and health insurance benefit programs to nearly one-third of Hawaii's residents.

Software-based Robotic Process Automation (RPA) - \$450,000

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Software tools that mimic the mundane human tasks (i.e., eliminate double data entry and repetitive system tasks) to increase the speed and accuracy of data entry tasks between multiple systems within DHS and systems outside of DHS where programmatic or system-to-system integrations are not possible.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) - \$400,000

DHS has invested in AI/ML technologies as a result of the pandemic and the sudden and sharp increases in demand for DHS benefits, increased number of new applications and clients, and the need to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of staff. At the same time, the state suffered from a shortage of workers due to a statewide hiring freeze, defunding of vacant positions, and a dramatic number of retirements over the past 3 years. The AI/ML technologies use natural language processing and intelligent searching to process and present data that is locked in the unstructured text, like case notes in mainframe applications or transcriptions for voice and chatbots tied to our cloud-based contact center to better serve DHS clients.

Customer Service Technologies that provide more client self-service capabilities 24x7x365 - \$400,000

Cloud-based DHS-wide contact center/call center software services, constituent issue tracking system for consolidated reporting and seamless transfers between AI virtual voice agents and virtual chatbots, emails and "contact us" form DHS websites, internal case or eligibility staff, and external DHS partners where clients can get information that they want 24x7, the help they need during business hours without having to repeat their story or situation over and over if they are transferred from one person to another.

IT Consulting Services - \$300,000

The IT consulting services needed in support of the DHS initiatives and investment areas are needed to ensure that these technologies are effectively implemented, managed, and maintained while DHS works to recruit and rebuild its IT workforce and provide sufficient training to existing and new staff. DHS, like many other state agencies, has operated with legacy systems that are outdated, unsupported, and unable to be enhanced or modified effectively. The legacy systems are costly to maintain, and the workforce with expertise in those systems has retired or will retire within the next 3-5 years.

Data Management - \$800,000

DHS seeks to establish and implement a formalized Data Management program based on industry best practices and frameworks that include Data Governance, Data Integration, Data Sharing, Reporting, and Analytics capability. During the pandemic, DHS established a technical solution and platform tool that enables DHS to integrate, transform, or orchestrate the movement of data from one system to another, from one format to another, or with any

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combination with a number of systems to build quick web interfaces leveraging the data, centrally storing master data records for reporting, and enabling secure sharing and hosting datasets in a data catalog. However, DHS needs to continue investing in both technical and, more importantly, non-technology people, process, and organization practices to establish a formal data management and data governance program which will allow DHS to expand its data sharing capabilities as the state moves toward closer collaboration and sharing of data between state and local agencies, and providing more transparency of government services through advanced reporting and analytics.

IT Workforce Development & IT Innovation Projects - \$50,000

The department seeks to invest \$20,000 in IT Workforce Development and \$30,000 in IT Innovation Projects as a commitment to the ongoing IT Modernization and DHS Transformation initiatives. This annual investment enables the transformation of the way DHS builds, buys, delivers, and shares technology using modern methodologies and technologies to assist the department in improving the public's experience with DHS. The department will focus investments to help make our IT services more accessible, efficient, and effective by building and providing technology applications, platforms, processes, training and certifications for staff, and supplemental software solutions. DHS will continue to build the foundation for digital transformation with a focus on putting users first, building, sharing, and using open source code, public and private cloud, and platform technologies, and improving upon our existing shared services, enterprise platforms, and security.

#### <u>904AA-03:</u> Add Funds for Family Resource Centers

Act 129, SLH 2022, relating to Family Resource Centers (FRC), is a five-year pilot program within DHS. This request is to fund one full-time equivalent (1.0) family resource center coordinator position to 1) further develop and implement a statewide network of school- and community-based FRCs; 2) establish definitions, standards, and best practices; 3) identify and align available services, goals, and outcomes; and 4) develop referral and data tracking protocols.

Family Resource Centers (FRCs) are safe, welcoming, and culturally appropriate spaces that support and strengthen families; utilize a multigenerational, strengths-based, and family-centered approach; and provide concrete supports, activities, and programs designed to reflect and be responsive to the specific needs, cultures, and interests of the communities and populations served.

According to the National Family Support Network (NFSN), FRCs play a critical role in preventing child abuse and neglect, strengthening children and families, connecting family-impacting agencies and programs, creating connections to resources and parent support systems, and

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increasing family engagement, which all lead to greater student success in school. The local statewide network is the Hawaii Ohana Support Network (HOSN).

#### Current resources:

Act 129, SLH 2022, \$300,000 Family Resource Center for FY 2022-2023, for a five (5) year pilot project.

Act 125, SLH 2022/Act 133, SLH 2023, \$305,000 relating to incarcerated individuals for a child visiting and family resource center at Waiawa Correctional Facility. Funds were encumbered: \$274,500 (\$305,000 minus 10% restriction).

#### Expenditures in the prior year:

Funds were appropriated through Act 125, SLH 2022/Act 133, SLH 2023 for a child visiting and family resource center at Waiawa Correctional Facility. A vendor was procured in November 2023 and awarded in January 2024. The contract was executed in May 2024. Of the \$305,000 appropriated funds, 10% was restricted under execution policies, and \$274,500 was released and encumbered. For FY24, family resource centers expended \$219,950 out of the \$270,000 (\$300,000 minus 10% restriction) to develop HOSN, contract a vendor to establish the Waiawa Correctional Facility child visiting and family resource center, offer training, and purchase school furnishings to transform space into a family resource center. The total expended was \$494,450.

#### Other relevant factors:

The devastation from the Maui Wildfires and the continuing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic highlight the need for mental health services and opportunities to build social capital for both children and adults. FRCs assist families by providing a safe and caring place, resources, and support to strengthen families, connect them to public benefit programs, address the lingering mental health issues of children and families, and provide family engagement for increased school readiness and academic success.

#### Impact on program performance measures:

The current target group size is statewide, and the current total of FRCs is eight (8) community-based (aka Neighborhood Places), 13 school-based, and one (1) correctional facility. Over the last two years, five (5) more school-based FRCs were started (only 5 in 2022), with three (3) others in the development stages (hiring staff and finding a space on campus). One community-based organization launched a community-based FRC in October 2023, and a child visiting and family resource center started at Waiawa Correctional Facility in April 2024.

Notably, a memorandum of understanding was signed in July 2024 among the Departments – of Education (DOE), Health (DOH), and Human Services (DHS), giving school principals the authority to create FRCs on their campuses in partnership with full support of the

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Superintendent and in partnership with DOH and DHS. As a result, principals are finding that FRCs are the added support teachers need for family engagement and parent participation on campuses. As an example, one school has several students who are raised by grandparents. Those grandparents formed a group and call themselves the "kupuna crew" and are on campus. They plan and execute Native Hawaiian activities with the students. Many of the grandparents also attended the same school when they were in elementary school. The presence of grandparents on campus changed the campus culture. In addition, the FRC offers concrete supports of food, clothing, and household items through community partnerships. The FRC is a gathering place to meet and engage with other families of varying cultures and ethnicities. Previously, one of the schools that now has an FRC had tension between ethnic groups. Now, families bring things to share. They give as well as take items they need.

Families with children find it challenging to navigate and maneuver through state systems for public benefits and seek help to meet their specific needs of mental health, parenting education, and further learning opportunities for their children. Some parents experience traumas from their own childhood school experience. FRCs bridge the communication gap between families and school faculty and provide parents with training to help their children succeed in school by increasing family engagement, which helps to motivate students to become academically successful, reduce chronic absenteeism, and increase graduation rates.

In addition, the fathers incarcerated at Waiawa Correctional Facility are eager to learn parenting skills and healthy relationships to reconnect with their children and caregivers. The partnership with the newly created Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR) (previously known as the Department of Public Safety) and DHS is working well, and inmates indicated that reconnection to their children is a great incentive to reduce recidivism.

#### Accomplishments:

The Implementation Plan resulted in the FRC network governance, definition of roles, operational guidelines, and membership agreement. Also, the three departments (education, health, and human services) memorialized Act 129, SLH 2022, with a memorandum of understanding that was signed in July 2024. In addition, training sessions are offered on the NSFN Standards of Quality for Family Strengthening & Support, and Parent Advisory Council (PAC). Additionally, courses were offered to train the trainers on the 5 Protective Factors for family strengthening and parent leadership (as a precursor to PAC training).

HOSN presented at numerous conferences, meetings, and collaboratives at the local and national forums, including informational sessions for potential school-based FRCs, national and congressional delegate briefings, continued collaborative work with the DOE Community School model for Title 1 schools with principals and coordinators, and special focus on Comprehensive Support and Improvement Schools, which are usually the schools with the lowest graduation rates. HOSN continues to host meetings every other month with the larger community of FRCs

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and family strengthening organizations, Network Executive and Steering Committees meetings monthly, as well as individual school-based FRC coaching and monthly technical assistance for regional school-based FRCs.

Procurement and selection of a vendor for the child visiting and family resource center at Waiawa Correctional Facility were completed and the contract was executed in May 2024. Waiawa Correctional Facility, including the men incarcerated there, built the center and patio area and installed a playground with a regulation foundation and padding.

The contracted vendor is building trusted relationships with fathers who are incarcerated. It is conducting intake assessments with fathers and families and has started conducting parenting classes specifically for dads. They are offering virtual healthy relationships courses for teens and complete pre- and post-visit sessions with children and moms/caregivers before in-person visitation with their dads. The pre-and post-visit sessions are aimed at reducing anxiety and emotional or behavioral issues and provide tools and resources for coping with the emotions of a visit with a dad and easing the transition back to daily life with mom/caregiver.

#### Alternatives:

If the pilot project is not funded for additional years, then children, families, and communities will not have the essential space, training, and technical assistance to help families address their concerns about their child when concerns first arise. Having a trusted person to turn to in a familiar location supports the child's, family's, and community's overall well-being so the child and family can thrive. Pandemic rules and restrictions resurfaced a more profound need and inequities requiring healing from historical and cultural trauma that was not adequately addressed prior to the pandemic. In particular, the schools with FRCs are seeing positive impacts on campuses and increased family engagement. Discontinued funding of the five (5) year pilot project would disrupt these nurturing and safe space avenues to seek family strengthening and mental health alternatives for students, families, and even faculty, who often use or staff the FRCs.

Other alternatives explored in the past, including the establishment of a navigator position(s) to help families with complex cases of multiple challenges and needs, were suggested prepandemic. Vacant positions to set up this position were difficult to find or were defunded during the pandemic. Social workers or case managers have been difficult to hire or keep due to non-competitive salaries or early burn-out. For greater efficiency, state programs have moved from case management to task orientation to accommodate the increased volume and need for public assistance programs. Lastly, the loosely formed group of state agencies and community organizations needed a way to establish FRCs at the state level. Grassroots efforts are important, but determined FRCs needed more recognition, committed funding, and standards or a framework embedded into state law.

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This request is to provide continued funding for the five-year Family Resource Center Pilot Program, which aims to establish a family support network and increase the number of family resource centers serving children, families, and communities in Hawaii.

FRC Network	FY25	FY26		
Training	\$12,500.00	\$12,500.00		
Contract Coordination	\$474,500.00	\$474,500.00		
Dues & Subscriptions	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00		
Administration	\$115,600.00	\$115,600.00		
Total	\$605,000.00	\$605,000.00		

904AA-04: Disaster Case Management Project - Rental Assistance Program

DHS requires general fund appropriations to support the department's Maui wildfire emergency management and long-term recovery response, including the State's Disaster Case Management Program (DCMP). This request includes approval and requests for appropriations for eight (8) temporary exempt administrative positions dedicated to the Maui response, operations, and IT support and funds to meet the needs of survivors, including those who may also be ineligible for FEMA or other federal disaster assistance. Specifically, this request is to ensure the continuity of the assistance and programs led by DHS for the first three (3) years of the Maui wildfire disaster response and recovery efforts.

Six (6) of the positions are specific to the DCMP, which is currently 100% funded by a FEMA grant for the first 24 months following the date of disaster. FEMA funds are expected to be extended an additional 12 months—for a total of 36 months of 100% FEMA funding. Thus, while FEMA will fund the first 36 months of the program, given the level of devastation from the disaster, it is expected that this program will be needed for five years to ensure successful recovery for survivors.

The remaining two (2) positions that require 100% general funds are for the administrative (including responses to Uniform Information Practices Act requests and attendance at meetings) and operations functioning of the state's Rental Assistance Program. This request will ensure the Director's Office continues to have staff and resources dedicated to the 2023 Maui wildfire relief efforts to lead an equitable recovery.

Significantly, DHS is the State's lead agency for the State's DCMP that provides intensive disaster case management for all survivors of the Maui wildfires. At Governor Green and HIEMA's request, DHS was the State's applicant for the FEMA DCMP grant, which is initially 24 months of performance with a possible single extension of 12 months. Thus, FEMA funding cannot exceed 36 months. DHS was initially awarded \$17.2M by FEMA on November 8, 2023, for an initial performance period from August 10, 2023, through August 10, 2025. During the first year, FEMA has provided additional funds. To date, DHS has received a total of \$25.15M from FEMA to ensure sufficient funds to serve approximately 3,000 households for the first 24

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months of this program. Currently, the DCMP has served over 5,000 individuals and has active cases for over 3,800 survivors. Given the documented high level of need for recovery, additional funding for years 4 and 5 of this program is required.

To immediately implement the DCMP and other Maui Wildfire response and recovery efforts, DHS created a special project for six additional temporary exempt administrative positions in the Director's Office to oversee both the DCMP and all Maui recovery efforts. This special project was expanded and includes additional positions, including (two) 2 additional positions for the DCMP. The FEMA grant covers the salaries of all 6 DCMP positions, including the DCMP Director (\$150,216), DCMP Administrator (\$113,940), DCMP Financial Director (\$120,576), DCMP Administrative Assistant (\$62,400), DCMP Screening, Eligibility, and Outreach Care Navigation Branch Program Manager (\$76,788), and the DCMP Communications and Outreach Director (\$109,992).

The DCMP serves as a connection point for all other DHS wildfire response initiatives. The DCMP includes seven Maui community-based organizations and up to 55 disaster case managers, as well as 20 Outreach Care Navigators, and all requisite support staff for a total program footprint of approximately 90 individuals. The DCMP provides case management and navigation assistance for all Maui fire survivors and has the funding capacity to serve approximately 3,000 households—or nearly 8,000 individuals.

Ultimately, DHS continues to strive to provide a program that is available for all fire survivors, regardless of FEMA eligibility, to assist in navigating recovery and identifying resources across all stakeholders to ensure all unmet needs of survivors that arose from the disaster are met. The consistency and continuity of this program are vital to support survivors' recovery, hence the importance of funding to ensure uninterrupted program operations.

Now that we are in the second year of the program, we will soon apply for a 12-month extension of the FEMA grant. However, given the magnitude of the disaster, we forecast the DCMP will be a three- to five-year effort.

The Maui Emergency Response Director (\$112,944) and Emergency Management Finance, Procurement, and Grants Manager (\$109,308) will continue to coordinate the Rental Assistance Program and other DHS-led Maui response efforts that are not DCMP-specific. Since the August 8, 2023 wildfires, DHS has actively worked to address the immediate needs of individuals, families, and community providers. DHS facilitated the state's Emergency Support Function (ESF) 6 – Mass Care & Feeding, and at the direction of the Governor, DHS developed and launched the state's Rental Assistance Program, in partnership with Airbnb, Global Empowerment Mission, and most recently with the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement.

#### Auditor VII:

This position is necessary to provide audit reports to the Legislature and the Governor and to ensure that accounting, reporting, expenditures, contracts, procurement, and finances comply

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with laws, rules, regulations, and grant requirements. Reporting includes, but is not limited to, responding to Act 10, SLH 2024

The Auditor VII position is essential to ensure the integrity and accountability of federal and state funds allocated for Maui wildfire recovery efforts and future disasters. This role will play a critical function in safeguarding public resources and promoting transparency in government operations.

This position will conduct audits of the department's financial, operational, and compliance activities. Audit activities include assessing the effectiveness of internal controls, identifying risks, and recommending improvements to ensure compliance. Failure to comply with federal grant requirements can lead to a variety of penalties, ranging from financial penalties, such as cost disallowances, interest charges, or loss of future funding, to program termination.

This position will prepare audit reports that clearly communicate audit findings, recommendations, and management responses. This position will also support the training of fiscal and budget officers to ensure compliance with laws, rules, regulations, and grant requirements. This position will further assist in plan formulation for implementing audit recommendations, including as it may relate to federal grant opportunities.

The Auditor VII position is crucial for several reasons:

- Accountability and Transparency: By conducting independent audits, this position will help ensure that public funds are used appropriately and for their intended purposes.
- Risk Mitigation: Identifying and addressing risks associated with disaster recovery efforts will help protect public resources and improve the effectiveness of disaster response.
- Compliance Assurance: Ensuring compliance with laws, regulations, and grant requirements will help avoid penalties and maintain eligibility for future funding.
- Improved Efficiency: Auditor recommendations can help improve the efficiency and effectiveness of departmental operations.
- Public Trust: This position will help maintain public trust in the government's ability to manage funds responsibly.

#### **DHS Overall**

**Federal Fund Adjustment Requests** 

					FY 26				
Prog ID/Org	Dept Pri	Description	MOF	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	\$ Amount
401PE-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			51,457,265			51,457,265
902IA-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			15,834,833			15,834,833
206PF-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			2,641,432			2,641,432
302DA-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			1,000,000			1,000,000
903FA-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	Р			19,550,000			19,550,000
802GA-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			54,287			54,287
220RH-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			10,342,944			15,592,944
222RA-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			6,095,975			9,766,700
601TA-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			39,905			39,905
303WP-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			1,502,000			1,502,000
301SA-FF	1	Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			1,639,500			1,639,500
501YA-FF		Increase Federal Fund Ceiling	N			515,865			-

#### Form FF Reconciliation

Additional federal fund ceiling is requested based on a comparison of federal fund appropriations under Act 164, SLH 2023, amended by Act 230, SLH 2024, and anticipated federal fund requirements for FY26 and FY27.

<u>Key Performance Indicators for SFY 2024</u> may be accessed in the previous testimony on HB300 on page 169,

https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/sessions/session2025/Testimony/HB300\_TESTIMONY\_FIN\_03-05-25\_.PDF.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of this measure.



## STATE OF HAWAI'I OFFICE OF PLANNING & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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## Statement of MARY ALICE EVANS, Director

## before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211

in consideration of BILL NO HB 300, HD1

## RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means:

Highlights of OPSD's supplemental budget request includes the following:

- Transfer Out Budget Line Items to BED103 \$-786,875; -7.00 Permanent FTE; -1.00 Temporary FTE, to comply with Act 153, SLR 2021, to avoid the appearance of a conflict of interest and to better align two separate programs, Land Use Commission (LUC) and Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD), with their separate missions within the state program structure.
- Convert Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program salaries of 5.00 Permanent FTE from MOF N to A Funds:

Reduce MOF N by 5.00 FTE and \$663,329 Increase MOF A by 5.00 FTE and \$411,408

- O Background: From 1975 to 2009, the positions were general funded. In 2009, the positions were converted to federal funding following a decline in State revenues. The provision of federal funds from NOAA were conditioned on the State taking active steps to restore State funding.
- Outcome: Restores general funds for five staff positions, ensuring that 50% of CZM's staff positions are funded with State funding to help satisfy the condition(s) of the federal cooperative agreement, including one-to-one match requirements, which maintains the CZM Program's eligibility to receive its annual federal award of approx. \$2.5 million.

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- Federal Fund Ceiling Increase of \$255,964. Increase CZM appropriation ceiling (N) due to Federal Grant continuing support and inflation.
- Add \$300,000 General Funds for 1.00 FTE temporary position and funds for Special Funds Project Coordinator and administration costs for the second year (FY 2026) of the Hawaii State Planning Act Phase 2. Additional funding is required to continue this multi-year process to update HRS 226 pursuant to Act 36, SLH 2024.
- Add 3.00 FTE Temp Pos and Funds in SPB \$282,060; 3.00 Temporary FTE for <u>filled</u> positions (Pos. Nos. 124200, 124251, and 124288).
  - Personnel General Funds are essential to retaining staff who support the state's Economic Development District (EDD) designation, which unlocks additional federal funding and enhances economic development and resilience efforts statewide.
  - OPSD won't be able to retain critical SPB staff without General Funds, jeopardizing the state's EDD designation and leading to the loss of associated benefits and federal funding opportunities.
- Add General Funds to Restore Full-Year Funding for Permanent Special Plans Branch Planning Program Manager, \$45,570.
- Add 1.00 FTE and Funds for Statewide Sustainability Branch \$35,508 FY26 \$71,016 FY27 to support statewide climate and sustainability coordination/implementation.
  - Background: Established by HRS §225M-8 (Act 45, SLH 2020) and HRS §225M-2 (b) (9), the Sustainability Branch coordinates and implements climate and sustainability policies statewide, evaluates legislation, and advises the Governor, Legislature, and agencies on sustainability and climate resilience. Currently, the Branch has only 1.00 FTE (State Sustainability Coordinator).
  - Outcome: This request would expand capacity to meet climate resilience demands. While original Form A requested 3 positions to adequately staff a Statewide Climate and Sustainability Branch, the Executive Budget reduced this request to 1.00 FTE. Considering the urgent climate adaptation demands facing the state, the Branch supports staffing provided by 1.00 FTE, but strongly supports the 3.00 FTE request being restored.

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- BED144 \$500,000 (CIP, Item K.1) East Kapolei TOD Infrastructure, Oahu. Funds for preparation of a programmatic EIS for projects in the East Kapolei TOD Infrastructure Implementation Plan being prepared by OPSD.
- BED144 \$2,000,000 (CIP, Item K.2) State Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Planning, Statewide. Plans, feasibility and cost studies, and coordination of TOD projects, TOD public infrastructure requirements, and related environmental review documents for TOD projects in State TOD strategic plan, statewide.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



## STATE OF HAWAI'I Executive Office on Early Learning

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SUBJECT: Testimony on H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1 - RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Committee: WAM

Date: Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Conference room 211

Executive Office on Early Learning's Position: SUPPORT

The Executive Office on Early Learning (EOEL) offers the following comments in support of H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1 and requests your consideration of the following budget requests.

#### **Expansion of EOEL Prekindergarten (Pre-K) classrooms**

The EOEL's highest priority request is for funds and positions to support the expansion of EOEL Prekindergarten (Pre-K) classrooms over the next biennium. We are requesting \$5,027,927 and 58 positions in FY26, and \$8,236,302 and 108 positions in FY27. This will allow the EOEL to add an additional 50 classrooms over the next two years. Both the Governor's proposed budget and the House Draft provided funding for this expansion, and we respectfully request that Ways and Means also include these positions and funds in the Senate Draft.

In 2020, the Hawai'i State Legislature passed Act 46 which established a framework and benchmarks for achieving universal access to early learning for 3- and 4-year-olds. The requested expansion of EOEL Pre-K classrooms helps advance our progress toward these goals and supports educational equity through priority enrollment for at-risk children.

Since the passage of Act 46, the number of EOEL prekindergarten classrooms has grown. The EOEL currently partners with the Hawai'i State Department of Education (HIDOE) to administer 92 Public Pre-K classrooms in 74 HIDOE campuses across the State. However, demand remains

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high, with the number of applications far exceeding the number of available classroom seats for the 2024-25 school year.

As the program continues to grow, EOEL also works closely with HIDOE to ensure children enrolled in our classrooms receive high-quality early childhood development and early learning experiences that promote Kindergarten readiness. We are happy to report that the program is consistently recognized by the National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER) for meeting benchmarks for quality standards, and as of their 2023 report, Hawai'i is one of only five states that met all 10 benchmarks for state preschool programs.

#### **Family Child Interaction Learning Programs**

The EOEL also respectfully requests your consideration of funding to support Family Child Interaction Learning Programs (FCILs), which was approved by the Early Learning Board but not included in the Governor's budget request. We are requesting \$800,000 in FY26 and FY27 for contracts with third-party providers of FCIL programs.

FCILs are an important component of a strong, mixed-delivery early learning system, offering families flexibility in choosing the type of early childhood development and learning experiences that best meet their needs.

They promote children's well-being by supporting families in their growth as their children's first and most important teachers. The programs provide activities and opportunities for families who may not be interested in or able to participate in more traditional child care or preschool programs.

These programs are characterized by a multi-generational, culturally responsive approach that values and incorporates the diverse backgrounds of participating families. With a dual focus on parent education and early learning, they provide opportunities for children and caregivers to grow together. The setting often resembles a child care classroom, but with the key distinction that families are responsible for their own children while attending the program. Activities often include group circle time, outdoor play, and a variety of learning stations designed to foster engagement and development. In addition to these interactive experiences, family members receive instruction on child development, workforce readiness, financial literacy, and other essential life skills, equipping them with the tools to support both their children's and their own success.

EOEL strongly supports these budget requests which will expand access to high-quality early learning, advance educational equity, and help fulfill the state's commitment to universal access to early learning for 3 and 4-year-olds. We appreciate the Legislature's continued investment in our youngest keiki and their families and respectfully request your support of this funding.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. Governor

> SYLVIA LUKE Lt. Governor



SHARON HURD
Chairperson, Board of Agriculture

**DEAN M. MATSUKAWA**Deputy to the Chairperson

## State of Hawai'i DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE KA 'OIHANA MAHI'AI

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## TESTIMONY OF SHARON HURD CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

#### BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS ANS MEANS

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025 10:00 A.M. CONFERENCE ROOM 211

HOUSE BILL NO. 300, HD1
RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 300, HD 1. This bill appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget for the Fiscal Biennium 25-27. The Department supports this bill.

We appreciate that the House Committee on Finance included much of the Department's Executive Budget requests into H.D.1. We respectfully request that those items as well as those requested in Governor's Message No. 4 be included in the Senate budget. The requests submitted in the Governor's Message will aid in keeping irrigation water rates affordable for users and supports agricultural production.

In the capital improvements program budget, we request that consideration be made to fund the Halawa Animal Industry Facility Improvements, Oahu project. This project will modernize the veterinary laboratory and allow the program to perform various testing for animal and aquaculture diseases locally and support biosecurity efforts.

Another important CIP request that was deleted in the House draft budget is the Royal Kunia Agricultural Park, Oahu project. The funds are needed to allow the Department to subdivide 150 acres of prime agricultural land, which was dedicated to the Department of Agriculture via June 3, 2004 Executive Order (EO). The Department regularly hears from the agricultural community that the availability of agricultural land is the number one concern to increasing and promoting food security in Hawai'i. The



development of this new Agricultural Park is a key opportunity to address ongoing community requests for agricultural land.

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

JOSH GREEN. M.D.
GOVERNOR



## MAKALAPUA ALENCASTRE, ED. D CHAIRPERSON

#### STATE OF HAWAI'I

## STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION ('AHA KULA HO'ĀMANA)

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FOR: HB 300 HD1 Relating to the State Budget

DATE: March 18, 2025

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

COMMITTEE: Committee on Ways and Means

ROOM: Conference Room 211 & Videoconference

FROM: Ed H. Noh, Ed. D., Executive Director

State Public Charter School Commission

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Committee:

The State Public Charter School Commission ("Commission") appreciates this opportunity to submit this testimony in **SUPPORT with Amendments of HB 300 HD1** which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

As the sole authorizer of charter schools in the state, the Commission oversees the executive budgetary process for itself (program ID- EDN 612), and for all 38 operating public charter schools (program ID- EDN 600).

Public charter school enrollment for the 2024-2025 fiscal year is 13,054 students, which represents an increase of 3% from the previous year's enrollment of 12,657 (397 students). These enrollment numbers are based on the October 15<sup>th</sup> enrollment count which determines per pupil charter school funding.

While the Commission appreciates the continuation of its operating budget and the increase in funding for charter school per-pupil funds, we humbly request that the committee amend this measure and restore the requests that were approved by the governor in the executive budget but not provided in the House draft. These requests are:

#### Additional Teacher Differential Funding for EDN 612

Increase in general funding: (\$465,000) for FY2026 & FY2027
 Purpose of request: To cover the actual costs of teacher differentials for eligible charter school teachers in Hard-to-Staff geographic areas and in Hawaiian Immersion schools.

## Transfer of Teacher Differential Funds: \$2,000,000 from EDN 600 to EDN 612 for FY2026 & FY2027

 Purpose of request: To transfer reoccurring, budgeted funds allocated for the payment of charter school teacher differentials between Program ID EDN 600 (Charter Schools) to EDN 612 (Charter School Commission and Administration).

#### o Funding for Hawaii Keiki: Ready to Learn Expansion

Increase in general funding: (\$1,050,000) for FY2026 & FY2027
 Purpose of request: To provide additional funding for the Hawaii Keiki: Ready to
 Learn program in order to expand the program from ten charter schools to sixteen charter schools. The ten charter schools currently served are on four islands- Hawaii Island, Kauai, Molokai, and Oahu.

We appreciate your continuing support of Hawai'i's 38 public charter schools and over 13,000 students and the opportunity to submit this testimony.



## STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION KA 'OIHANA HO'ONA'AUAO P.O. BOX 2360

HONOLULU, HAWAI`I 96804

**Date:** 03/18/2025 **Time:** 10:00 AM

**Location:** CR 211 & Videoconference **Committee:** Senate Ways and Means

**Department:** Education

Person Testifying: Keith T. Hayashi, Superintendent of Education

Bill Title: HB 0300, HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

**Purpose of Bill:** Appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the

Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. Effective 7/1/3000.

(HD1)

#### **Department's Position:**

The Hawai'i State Department of Education (Department) supports HB 300, HD 1 with concerns.

For the operating budget, the Department is very appreciative of this measure as it funds nearly all of the Department's requests as initially proposed, as submitted by the Governor, and as passed by the House. Nevertheless, the Department also respectfully requests the Committee's support of a funding issue that is rapidly surfacing within our school food services budget.

For the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) budget, the Department appreciates the Legislature's attentiveness in choosing projects that are largely based on our priority lists; however, the Department remains concerned that the generous number of line-item appropriations may delay projects that require prompt attention. The Department is mindful that its previous approach to implementing CIP projects was less than stellar. As such, over the long term, a risk-based, proactive approach as initially proposed by the Department with lump-sum "buckets" in managing school facilities will yield better dividends in meeting the needs of students across all islands.

We are grateful for the Legislature's long standing support for and investment in public education and are hopeful that the Committee can continue to accommodate our budget requests.

#### Operating Budget:

HB 300, HD 1 funds nearly all of the Department's requests as initially proposed in its flat budget,

which the Department appreciates. Yet, challenges abound in providing predictable, reliable, and adequate funding of public education.

Amongst the issues facing the Department, one is of particular concern: adequate funding to feed students. The school food services program is facing a projected shortfall that has only manifested itself recently. The Department requests that the Committee include an additional \$20 million for Fiscal Year (FY) 26 and \$24 million for FY 27 to avert the projected deficit.

To bolster the Department's leadership capacity, the Department requested an Assistant Superintendent position, which was denied in HB 300, HD 1. The Department humbly requests that the Assistant Superintendent position be added back into the budget.

#### Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Budget:

The Department appreciates the lump-sum funding that matches or exceeds the amounts originally requested in HB 300. The additional amounts included in HB 300, HD 1 to the Deferred Maintenance and to the Health and Safety lump-sum "buckets" will help the Department's efforts to create and maintain adequate learning facilities for students statewide.

However, the Project Completion lump-sum "bucket" was not included in HB 300, HD 1. This lump sum is critical as it funds construction management services and contingency costs associated with completing a construction project. The efficiency and effectiveness of executing CIP projects will be greatly hampered without funding in this lump sum.

Funding for the construction of Lahaina Elementary School was moved from EDN 100 to EDN 450. The Department would like to humbly request that the HB 300 funding amount of \$131,000,000 be moved back to EDN 100.

#### Conclusion:

The Department is hopeful that the Committee can accommodate our budget requests, including the latest request for school food services. A sound system of financing public schools is critical as the National Conference of State Legislatures has recommended:

Stability in revenues and expenditures is important for all publicly funded services, but in particular it is critical for education where wide fluctuations in funding levels may be disruptive.

Dramatic reductions in revenues for a period as short as a year may impair the quality of children's education and have long-term effects on their academic success.

-Principles of a Sound State School Finance System, National Conference of State Legislatures

In addition, the State's commitment to public education is enshrined in the State Constitution, Article X, Section 1: "The State shall provide for the establishment, support and control of a statewide system of public schools . . . ."

The mission of the Department is to develop the academic achievement, character development, and social-emotional well-being of our students. We are deeply committed to working alongside our families, communities, and stakeholders to ensure that every student can achieve their aspirations — from early learning to post-secondary education and citizenship. This mission is at the heart of every decision we make and is the foundation of our budget.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and for your continued support of public education.

SYLVIA LUKE LT. GOVERNOR



GARY S. SUGANUMA

KRISTEN M.R. SAKAMOTO
DEPUTY DIRECTOR

### STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

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## TESTIMONY OF GARY S. SUGANUMA, DIRECTOR OF TAXATION

#### **TESTIMONY ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:**

H.B. No. 300 H.D. 1, Relating to the State Budget

**BEFORE THE:** 

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 18, 2025

**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.

**LOCATION:** State Capitol, Room 211

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Taxation (DOTAX) <u>supports</u> H.B. 300, H.D.1, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years (FYs) 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

DOTAX notes the following highlights from the budget to support its operations:

- 1. Add \$338,150 for FY26 and \$1,343,400 for FY27 for monitoring and maintenance of the Tax System Modernization (TSM) project. This request covers annual vendor price increases and the replacement of DOTAX's document scanners, which process paper forms and payments.
  - DOTAX requests a correction to the budget worksheet for this request as follows: "\$750,400 NON-RECURRING" should be "\$750,000 NON-RECURRING." See Budget Worksheet, Seq #100-001, at p. 656.
- 2. Establish two permanent positions and add funds (\$65,000 for FY26 and \$205,000 for FY27) for a Perm Senior Software Developer (#26009T) and Perm Software Developer Supervisor (#26010T). These positions are part of DOTAX's long-term goal to retain its developers and reduce reliance on vendor professional services.

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DOTAX requests that the Perm Senior Software Developer (#26009T) and Software Developer Supervisor (#26010T) be established in TAX107/AC instead of TAX107/AA. See Budget Worksheet, Seq #102-001, at p. 658.

Additionally, DOTAX requests that the Perm Software Developer Supervisor (#26010T) be established in FY27 instead of FY26. <u>See</u> Budget Worksheet, Seq #102-001, at p. 658.

 Establish one permanent position and add funds (\$52,500 for FY26 and \$105,000 for FY27) for a Data Privacy Officer to fulfill the IRS requirement that DOTAX appoint a senior agency official responsible for coordinating, developing, and implementing privacy requirements and managing privacy risks.

DOTAX requests that the Data Privacy Officer (#26003T) be established in TAX107/AA instead of TAX107/OR. <u>See</u> Budget Worksheet, Seq #101-001, at p. 657.

4. Establish five permanent positions and add funds (\$229,796 for FY26 and \$459,592 for FY27) for a Perm Departmental Program Officer, Perm Program Specialist VI, Perm Program Specialist V, Perm Project Manager II, and Perm Tax Business Analyst. These positions will be part of DOTAX's TSM Program Team within the Office of the Director and will be responsible for overseeing large updates to TSM, ensuring updates comply with applicable laws and user needs, interfacing with the IRS and other stakeholders, and training DOTAX users and taxpayers on TSM changes. The TSM Program Team will be vital in DOTAX's efforts to join the IRS Direct File program in 2026.

DOTAX requests that the Perm Departmental Program Officer (#26004T), Perm Program Specialist VI (#26005T), Perm Program Specialist V (#26006T), Perm Project Manager II (#26007T), and Perm Tax Business Analyst (#26008T) be established in TAX107/AA instead of TAX107/OR. See Budget Worksheet, Seq #101-001, at p. 657.

5. Add \$200,000 for FY 26 to support the Tax Review Commission for necessary activities, including contracts for consultants. (GM 1)

DOTAX requests that the funds be included in TAX107/AA instead of TAX100/AA. See Budget Worksheet, Seg #1100-001, at p. 659.

 Establish two positions in the Kauai District Office and adds \$55,050 to the budget for FY26 and \$110,100 to the budget for FY27. The requested Auditor IV position will expand Kaua'i's Field Audit section and allow for increased Department of Taxation Testimony H.B. 300 H.D.1 March 18, 2025 Page 3 of 3

audit capacity in the district office. Kaua'i urgently needs an Administrative Assistant II to handle the district office's administrative duties that are currently being handled by the Kaua'i District Manager, Collections Supervisor, and at times secretaries from other districts.

7. Establish two special funded positions in the Department's Special Enforcement Section (SES), Temp SES Senior Investigator (#26012T) and a Temp Administrative Assistant (#26013T). The addition of these positions will add capacity to take more enforcement actions against tax violators.

DOTAX requests that the Temp Administrative Assistant be changed to "Temp Administrative Assistant II." <u>See</u> Budget Worksheet, Seq #103-001, at p. 659.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this measure.

MIKE LAMBERT DIRECTOR



SYLVIA LUKE LT GOVERNOR KE KE'ENA

## STATE OF HAWAI'I | KA MOKU'ĀINA O HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT Ka 'Oihana Ho'okō Kānāwai

715 South King Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 JARED K. REDULLA
Deputy Director
Law Enforcement

# TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 300, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO STATE BUDGET Before the Senate Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 10:00 AM

State Capitol Conference Room 211 & Videoconference

Testifiers: Mike Lambert

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Committee:

The Department of Law Enforcement (DLE) supports House Bill 300, House Draft 1, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

This bill provides essential funding for state operations including critical public safety functions performed by the Department of Law Enforcement. The appropriations outlined in this budget bill are necessary to ensure continued effective operations of the DLE across various jurisdictions including airports, harbors, and state facilities.

The Department of Law Enforcement recognizes the importance of adequate fiscal planning and resource allocation to maintain and enhance public safety throughout the state. The funding allocations in this bill will allow DLE to fulfill its mandate of providing law enforcement services to areas of the State that are increasingly in need of law enforcement, including commercial airports and harbors, while continuing to support county police in our communities.

DLE remains committed to utilizing allocated resources efficiently to protect and serve the people of Hawaii. The budget provisions in this bill will support our operational needs including personnel, equipment, and necessary infrastructure to carry out our expanding responsibilities.

DLE requests that the following priorities be considered in HB300:

#### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT REQUESTS

- DKI Airport Facility: \$16.4M for a receiving desk, detention center, and operations hub.
- Law Enforcement Training Center: \$4M for site selection and design.
- Central Oahu Substation: \$3M for an agricultural enforcement hub.
- Waianae Substation & Mental Health Facility: \$4M to expand law enforcement presence and community services.

#### OPERATING BUDGET REQUESTS

- Law Enforcement IT Infrastructure: \$50M over two years to modernize technology and enhance crime prevention analytics.
- \$12.6M to expand agricultural law enforcement presence.
- \$6.6M to establish an Illegal Fireworks Enforcement Division.
- Prescription Drug Monitoring Program: \$921K for maintenance and operations.
- Annual Operating and Laboratory Maintenance Costs: \$932K for increased operational expenses and forensic lab support.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this bill.



#### STATE OF HAWAI'I BOARD OF EDUCATION

P.O. BOX 2360 HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96804

#### **Senate Committee on Ways and Means**

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 211

Measure: House Bill 300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget

#### **Purpose of Measure:**

Appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. Effective 7/1/3000.

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

The Board of Education (Board) **strongly supports** this measure.

The HD1 includes requests that support all the keiki of Hawai'i, including those that sustain and further the work of the public education system that nurtures their learning and well-being.

The Board supports legislation that addresses the needs identified in the Department of Education's and Hawai'i State Public Library System's Board-approved operating and capital improvement program budget requests for fiscal biennium 2025-2027.

The Board also thanks the Committee for its consideration of our request for positions and funding to support the Board's work to address the critical educational issues facing the state at a policy level, and to be the more effective partner it can be for our fellow state policymakers.

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify on behalf of the Board.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA



#### **TESTIMONY BY:**

EDWIN H. SNIFFEN DIRECTOR KA LUNA HO'OKELE

Deputy Directors

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#### STATE OF HAWAI'I | KA MOKU'ĀINA 'O HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION | KA 'OIHANA ALAKAU

869 PUNCHBOWL STREET HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813-5097

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 A.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 211 & Videoconference

## H.B. 300 H.D.1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

House Committee on Ways and Means

The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) **supports** H.B. 300 H.D.1, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

Additionally, the DOT respectfully requests your consideration of the attached impact statements, which detail negative impacts to our programs. We ask that your committee restore the reductions in the H.D.1, to include the budget requests for the department as included in Governor's Message #4 dated February 18, 2025, and to include the anticipated adjustments for the additional Governor's Message pending concurrence, approval and submittal by B&F and Governor.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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TRN195 BB		AWS equipment lease  Combine part-time VIP positions.	6,044,60			4,032,000			1				\$1 (for placeholder purposes)  This request was not included in the budget worksheets.	Aviation Workers Screening.  Program would combine position #41952 (.75 FTE) with position #41953 (.75FTE) and #49764 (.50 FTE) to create two full-time positions, enabling the program to bring about greater efficiency within existing resources. This request fulfills the DOT's attempt to cut down on vacant positions and to maximize the use of current positions without jeopardizing service to the travelling public.	None.

Date Prepared/Revised: 11/09/24

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## FB 25-27 BUDGET OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Program	ID/Ora	Code.	TRN102/BC	

Program Title: Daniel K. Inouye International Airport

Department Contact: Tammy Lee Phone: (808) 587-2154

I. TITLE OF REQUEST: Trade-off (combine) Positions

Description of Request: Combine position #41952 (.75FTE) with position #41953

(.75FTE) and position #49764 (.50FTE) to create two full-

time positions.

Request Category:
Trade-Off/Transfer (+) X (-) X
Conversion of Unbudgeted Positions
Fixed Cost/Entitlement
Federal Fund Adjustment Req
Administration Priorities
Full Year Funding for Eligible Positions
Health Safety Court Mandates

Department Priority:

Second-Year Funding

Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Positions

2023 Wildfire Recovery Efforts

Other Non-General Fund

#### II. OPERATING COST SUMMARY

- A. Personal Services
- B. Other Current Expenses
- C. Equipment
- L. Current Lease Payments
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OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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TOTAL REQUEST	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	0

#### IV. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

VIP would like to create two FTE 1.0 positions by combining a three-quarter-time (0.75 FTE) position with one three-quarter-time (0.75 FTE) position and one half-time (0.50 FTE) position. This would enable VIP to more readily fill the full time positions. Filling two full-time positions is easier than filling one 0.75 FTE and one 0.50 FTE position. VIP operations would benefit from the addition of two full-time positions because these positions would be used to assist with the travelers to the State. This will also enable the program to bring about greater efficiency within the existing resources.

#### V. RELATIONSHIP OF THE REQUEST TO STATE PLAN OR FUNCTIONAL PLAN

This request fulfills the State's attempt to cut down on vacant positions and to maximize the use of current positions without jeopardizing service to the traveling public. In combining the three positions, the State would be able to hire two full-time employees versus three part-time employees.

## VI. INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY N/A

VII. IMPACT ON OTHER STATE PROGRAMS/AGENCIES

None

VIII. IMPACT ON FACILITY REQUIREMENTS (R&M, CIP)

None

- IX. EXTERNAL CONFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS
- X. REQUIRED LEGISLATION (Please specify appropriate statutes; i.e., HRS)
- XI. OTHER COMMENTS

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TRN 531		32-001	EXECUTIVE REQUEST: TRANSFER-IN FUNDS FROM HIGHWAYS ADMINISTRATION (TRN595/DA) TO MAUI HIGHWAYS (TRN531/DF) MOF:B	0.00	0.00	20	0,642	0.00	0.00		42,346				20,642	0.00	0.00	42,346	DOT-HWY is notating an error in the description of request. The description should be: EXECUTIVE REQUEST: TRANSFER-IN FUNDS FROM HIGHWAYS ADMINISTRATION (TRN595/DA DB) TO MAUI HIGHWAYS (TRN531/DF)	n/a	n/a	n/a
TRN 595	DA	39-102	EXECUTIVE REQUEST: TRANSFER-OUT POSITIONS AND FUNDS FROM HIGHWAYS ADMINISTRATION (TRN595/DA) TO KAUAI HIGHWAYS (TRN561/DG)	-5.00	0.00	-427	2,878	-5.00	0.00		-422,878	-5.00	0.00		-422,878	-5.00	0.00		B DOT-HWY is notating an error in the detail of governor's request: (1) PERM ENGINEER (CIVIL) V EN-26 (#11439, -1.00, -92,059). The position description should be: (1) PERM_ENGINEER (CIVIL) V EN-26_DRAFTING TECHNICIAN VI SR-17 (#11439, -1.00, -92,059)	n/a	n/a	n/a
TRN 595	DA	218-001	GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE (2/18/25): TRANSFER-OUT POSITION AND REDUCE FUNDS FOR HIGHWAYS ADMINISTRATION (TRN595/BA) TO KAHULUI HARBOR (TRN331/CF). MOF: B	-1.00	0.00	-6;	2,110	-1.00	0.00		-62,110	-1.00	0.00		-62,110	-1.00	0.00		DOT-HWY is notating an error in the description of request. The description should be: GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE (2/18/25): TRANSFER-OUT POSITION AND REDUCE FUNDS FOR HIGHWAYS ADMINISTRATION (TRN595/BA DA) TO KAHULUI HARBOR (TRN331/CF).		n/a	n/a
TRN 595	DB	218-003	GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE (2/18/25): ADD FUNDS FOR HIGHWAYS ADMINISTRATION (TRN595/DA). MOF: B	0.00	0.00	1,94:	1,713	0.00	0.00		0	0.00	0.00		1,941,713	0.00	0.00		DOT-HWY is notating an error in the description of request. The description should be: GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE (2/18/25): ADD FUNDS FOR HIGHWAYS ADMINISTRATION (TRN595/DA-DB).		n/a	n/a
Anticipate	ed adjust	ments: Gov	ernor's Message pending concurrence	ce, approv	al and sub	mittal by B&	F and G	Governor														
TRN 501	DC	n/a	Governor's Message pending concurrence, approval and submittal by B&F and Governor: Trade-off/Transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways re-establish budget authority for various unfunded maintenance positions payroll requirements. MOF:B	0.00	0.00	-282	2,255	0.00	0.00		-282,255								DOT-Highways is requesting the governor's message be considered in future drafts of the bill. Please see attached Form A.	n/a	n/a	The HDOT-Highways is proposing to trade-off/transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways, budget authority by unfunding a position and utilizing the long term vacan position savings.
TRN 531	DF	n/a	Governor's Message pending concurrence, approval and submittal by B&F and Governor: Trade-off/Transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways re-establish budget authority for various unfunded maintenance positions payroll requirements. MOF:B	0.00	0.00	-9;	2,397	0.00	0.00		-92,397								DOT-Highways is requesting the governor's message be considered in future drafts of the bill. Please see attached Form A.	n/a	n/a	The HDOT-Highways is proposing to trade-off/transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways, budget authority by unfunding a position.

TRN 511 DD	n/a	Governor's Message pending concurrence, approval and submittal by B&F and Governor: Trade-off/transfer: Re-establish budget authority for various unfunded maintenance positions payroll requirements. MOF:B	0.00	0.00	374,652	0.00	0.00 374,652	DOT-Highways is requesting the governor's message be considered in future drafts of the bill. Please see attached Form A.	n/a	The HDOT-Highways is proposing to trade-off/transfer budget authority by unfunding various positions and utilizing long term position savings from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways and TRN 531/DF Maui Highways (Maui office)
TRN 595 DB	n/a	Governor's Message pending concurrence, approval and submittal by B&F and Governor: Additional state special funds (B) for the Photo Red Light Imaging Detector System. MOF:B	0.00	0.00	2,400,000	0.00	0.00 2,800,000	DOT-Highways is requesting the governor's message be considered in future drafts of the bill. Please see attached Form A.	n/a	The proposed executive budget authority increase will have no negative financial impact to the general fund or the state highway fund in FY 26 and FY 27. The DOTHWY'S FB 25-27 operating budget submittal has already taken into consideration projected revenue constraints. Further reductions are unnecessary and will not provide any foreseeable benefit to the DOTHWY.

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Department Priority:

#### **FB 25-27 BUDGET OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Program	ID/Org	g. Code	e: ˈ	TRN	501/DC
Program	Title:	Oahu	Hic	ıhwav	/S

Department Contact: Tammy Lee Phone: 587-2218

TITLE OF REQUEST: Trade-off/Transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways re-establish budget authority for various un-funded maintenance positions payroll requirements

Description of Request: Trade-off/transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways State Highway Funds (B) \$282,225 in FY 26 and FY 27 for the purpose of re-establishing budget authoirty for various un-funded maintenance positions' payroll requirements.

Request Category:
Trade-Off/Transfer (+) (-) _x
Conversion of Unbudgeted Positions  Fixed Cost/Entitlement  Federal Fund Adjustment Req
Administration Priorities Full Year Funding for Eligible Positions Health, Safety, Court Mandates
Second-Year Funding  Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Positions  2023 Wildfires Recovery Efforts  Other

#### **OPERATING COST SUMMARY**

- A. Personal Services
- B. Other Current Expenses
- C. Equipment
- L. Current Lease Payments

**OPERATING COST DETAILS** 

M. Motor Vehicles

**TOTAL REQUEST** 

		FY 26 Requ			FY 27 Reque		FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31
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A. Personal Services (List all positions) Personal Services trade-off/transfer to TRN 511/DD (Unfund Salary: Electrician Helper (#11620) BC05A, BU 01)	В		-56,340			-56,340	-56	-56	-56	-56
Personal Services trade-off/transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways Long Term Vacant Position Savings	В		-115,767			-115,767	-116	-116	-116	-116
Other Personal Services Fringe Benefit (64%) Trade- off/transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii (Unfund Fringe Benefit: Highways Electrician Helper (#11620) BC05A, BU 01)	В		-36,057			-36,057	-36	-36	-36	-36
Fringe Benefit (64%) Trade- off/transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways Long Term Vacant Position Savings	В		-74,091			-74,091	-74	-74	-74	-74
Subtotal Personal Service Costs	İ		-282,255			-282,255	-282	-282	-282	-282
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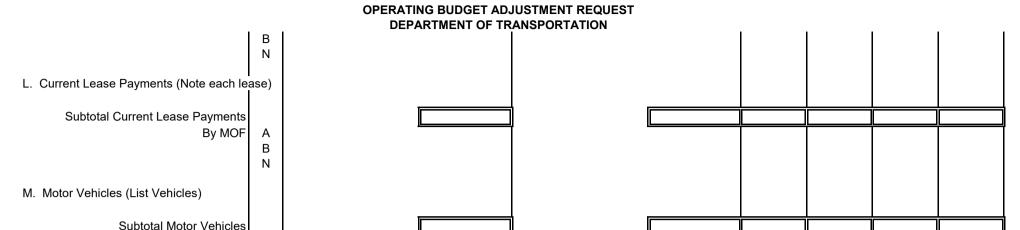
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#### IV. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

Hawaii Highways (TRN 511/DD) funding needs:

The Department of Transportation - Highways (DOTHWY) has determined the current operations & maintenance staffing level is insufficient to meet roadway maintenance requirements on the island of Hawaii. To help alleviate the understaffing levels, the DOTHWY is requesting to re-establish the funding of payroll requirements for various front line maintenance positions that are currently un-funded.

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The maintenance positions generally performs pavement patching and rehabilitates shoulder areas; maintains and repairs structures and drainage facilities; constructs additions, alterations and improvements to highways as directed; maintains landscaped areas and drainage systems. Roadside maintenance includes mechanical roadside mowing; controls weeds by manual and chemical mean; removes litter; plants, prunes, propagates, replants, fertilizes and waters roadside landscape; cleans ditches, slopes and culverts; sweeps streets and intersections; installs, replaces, straightens and cleans traffic signs. Roadway maintenance includes patching, resurfacing and rehabilitation work on pavements and shoulders; constructs, maintains and repairs structures and drainage facilities; installs, replaces and repairs guardrails and guideposts; constructs additions, alterations and improvements to highways; cuts, grades and constructs slopes, embankments and roadside areas; cleans, repairs and restores highway after slides, storm damage and accidents.

Oahu Highways (TRN 501/DC) Long Term Vacant Positions Savings:

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**TOTAL REQUEST** 

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Per F.M. 24-10 FB 25-27 Executive Budget Request and the Program and Financial Plan for the Period 2025-2031, vacant positions since July 1, 2020 or older shall be deleted. The Department of Human Resources Development and the Department of Budget & Finance had compiled a list for each department of budgeted positions that have been vacant since July 1, 2020 or older to be reduced in the FB 25-27 executive budget. Furthermore, the Department of Budget and Finance had requested the departments to identify positions that were filled, in active recruitment and located on the neighbor islands.

The position's <u>salary and fringe amount</u> were <u>not eliminated in the executive budget</u> with the intent of utilizing the savings as warranted by the department.

Therefore, the Department of Transportation respectfully requests a trade-off transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways \$189,858 (B) in FY 26 and FY 27 for the purpose of re-establishing TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways positions' payroll requirements.

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Furthermore, the department requests to unfund Electrician Helper (#11620) BC05A, BU 01 Salary \$56,340 and Fringe \$36,057 for the purpose of re-establishing TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways positions' payroll requirements. The request is to transfer salary and fringe amount, **not position count**, with the intent of utilize positions more efficiently.

- V. RELATIONSHIP OF THE REQUEST TO STATE PLAN OR FUNCTIONAL PLAN N/A
- VI. INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY N/A
- VII. IMPACT ON OTHER STATE PROGRAMS/AGENCIES  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{N/A}}$
- VIII. IMPACT ON FACILITY REQUIREMENTS (R&M, CIP)  $_{\mbox{\scriptsize N/A}}$
- IX. EXTERNAL CONFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS N/A
- X. REQUIRED LEGISLATION (Please specify appropriate statutes; i.e., HRS) N/A
- XI. OTHER COMMENTS
  See attached.

#### TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways

	Position	Authrz Level Title	SR	BU	Perm./Temp.	FTE	Salary	Fringe (64%)	Total
<b>Unfund Position</b>	1162	) Electrician Helper	BC05A	01	Р	1.00	(56,340)	(36,057)	(92,397)
Long Term Vacant Position Savings							(115,767)	(74,091)	(189,858)
Trade-off/transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways							(172,107)	(110,148)	(282,255)

n/a

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Department Priority:

### FB 25-27 BUDGET OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Program ID/Or	g. Code:	TRN 531/DF
Program Title:	Maui Hig	hways

Department Contact: Tammy Lee Phone: 587-2218

I. TITLE OF REQUEST: Trade-off/Transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways re-establish budget authority for various un-funded maintenance positions payroll requirements

Description of Request: Trade-off/transfer from TRN 531/DF Maui Highways to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways State Highway Funds (B) \$92,397 in FY 26 and FY 27 for the purpose of re-establishing budget authority for various unfunded maintenance positions' payroll requirements.

Request Category:
Trade-Off/Transfer (+) (-) _x
Conversion of Unbudgeted Positions
Fixed Cost/Entitlement
Federal Fund Adjustment Req
Administration Priorities
Full Year Funding for Eligible Positions
Health, Safety, Court Mandates
Second-Year Funding
Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Positions
2023 Wildfires Recovery Efforts

#### II. OPERATING COST SUMMARY

- A. Personal Services
- B. Other Current Expenses
- C. Equipment
- L. Current Lease Payments
- M. Motor Vehicles

**TOTAL REQUEST** 

		FY 26 Requ	ıest		FY 27 Requ	ıest	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31
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#### III. OPERATING COST DETAILS

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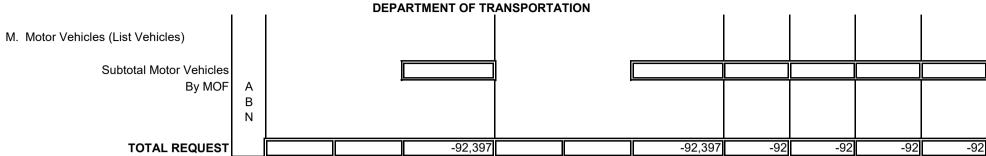
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,		-	DEP	PARTMENT OF T	RANSPORTA	TION					
A. Personal Services (List all positions) Personal Services trade-off/transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways (Unfund salary:Automotive Mechanic Helper (#16942) BC05A, BU 01)				-56,34			-56,340	-56	-56	-56	-56
Other Personal Services Fringe Benefit (64%) Trade- off/transfer to TRN 511/DD (Unfund Fringe Benefit:Hawaii Highways Automotive Mechanic Helper (#16942) BC05A, BU 01)				-36,05	7		-36,057	-36	-36	-36	-36
Subtotal Personal Service Costs				-92,39	7		-92,397	-92	-92	-92	-92
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C. Equipment (List by line item)											
Subtotal Equipment By MOF	A B N										
L. Current Lease Payments (Note each le	ase)										
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#### IV. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

Hawaii Highways (TRN 511/DD) funding needs:

The Department of Transportation - Highways (DOTHWY) has determined the current operations & maintenance staffing level is insufficient to meet roadway maintenance requirements on the island of Hawaii. To help alleviate the understaffing levels, the DOTHWY is requesting to re-establish the funding of payroll requirements for various front line maintenance positions that are currently un-funded.

The maintenance positions generally performs pavement patching and rehabilitates shoulder areas; maintains and repairs structures and drainage facilities; constructs additions, alterations and improvements to highways as directed; maintains landscaped areas and drainage systems. Roadside maintenance includes mechanical roadside mowing; controls weeds by manual and chemical mean; removes litter; plants, prunes, propagates, replants, fertilizes and waters roadside landscape; cleans ditches, slopes and culverts; sweeps streets and intersections; installs, replaces, straightens and cleans traffic signs. Roadway maintenance includes patching, resurfacing and rehabilitation work on pavements and shoulders; constructs, maintains and repairs structures and drainage facilities; installs, replaces and repairs guardrails and guideposts; constructs additions, alterations and improvements to highways; cuts, grades and constructs slopes, embankments and roadside areas; cleans, repairs and restores highway after slides, storm damage and accidents.

The department requests to unfund Automotive Mechanic Helper(#16942) BC05A, BU 01 Salary \$56,340 and Fringe \$36,057 for the purpose of re-establishing TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways positions' payroll requirements. The request is to transfer salary and fringe amount, **not position count**, with the intent of utilize positions more efficiently.

- V. RELATIONSHIP OF THE REQUEST TO STATE PLAN OR FUNCTIONAL PLAN N/A
- VI. INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY
- VII. IMPACT ON OTHER STATE PROGRAMS/AGENCIES N/A
- VIII. IMPACT ON FACILITY REQUIREMENTS (R&M, CIP)
  N/A
- IX. EXTERNAL CONFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS N/A

#### TRN 531/DF Maui Highways

	Position	Authrz Level Title	SR	BU	Perm./Temp.	FTE	Salary	Fringe (64%)	Total
<b>Unfund Position</b>	1694	2 Automotive Mechanic Helper	BC05A	01	Р	1.00	(56,340)	(36,057)	(92,397)
	Trade-off/transfer to TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways						(56,340)	(36,057)	(92,397)

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#### FB 25-27 BUDGET **OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST** DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

	Department Priority:	n/a
ogram ID/Org. Code: TRN 511/DD		

Program Title: Hawaii Highways

Department Contact: Tammy Lee Phone: 587-2218

TITLE OF REQUEST: Re-establish budget authority for various un-funded maintenance positions payroll requirements

Description of Request: Re-establish budget authority for 4.00 FTE un-funded maintenance positions payroll requirements in TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways. No additional permanent FTE position counts is being requested.

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Request Category: Trade-Off/Transfer (+) x (-) Conversion of Unbudgeted Positions Fixed Cost/Entitlement Federal Fund Adjustment Req Administration Priorities Full Year Funding for Eligible Positions Health, Safety, Court Mandates Second-Year Funding Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Positions 2023 Wildfires Recovery Efforts Other

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#### **OPERATING COST SUMMARY**

- A. Personal Services
- B. Other Current Expenses
- C. Equipment
- L. Current Lease Payments

**OPERATING COST DETAILS** 

M. Motor Vehicles

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		FY 26 Requ	ıest		FY 27 Requ	est	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31
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A.	Personal Services (List all positions) Salaries to be re-established for the fo (#47363): Equipment Operator I BC-04					-01 (#1338);	Truck driver-L	aborer BC-05, B	U-01 (#4426	9); General	Laborer I BC	:-02, BU-01
	Personal Services trade-off/transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways: Unfund salary: Electrician Helper (#11620) BC05A, BU 01	В			56,340			56,340	56	56	56	56
	Personal Services trade-off/transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways: Long Term Vacant Position Savings	В			115,767			115,767	116	116	116	116
	Personal Services trade-off/transfer from TRN 531/DF Maui Highways (Maui Office): Unfund salary: Highways Automotive Mechanic Helper (#16942) BC05A, BU 01	В			56,340			56,340	56	56	56	56
	Other Personal Services Fringe Benefit and Overtime to be re-e Laborer I BC-02, BU-01 (#47363): Equ						-04, BU-01 (#1	338); Truck drive	er-Laborer B	C-05, BU-01	(#44269); C	General
	Fringe Benefit (64%) Trade- off/transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways: Unfund Fringe Benefit : Electrician Helper (#11620) BC05A, BU 01	В			36,057			36,057	36	36	36	36
	Fringe Benefit (64%) Trade- off/transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways: Long Term Vacant Position Savings	В			74,091			74,091	74	74	74	74
	Fringe Benefit (64%) Trade- off/transferfrom TRN 531/DF Highways: Unfund Fringe Benefit: Automotive Mechanic Helper (#16942) BC05A, BU 01	В			36,057			36,057	36	36	36	36

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			374,652			374,652	375	375	375	375
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B. Other Current Expenses (List by line ite	m)									
Subtotal Other Current Expenses By MOF	A B N									
C. Equipment (List by line item)										
Subtotal Equipment By MOF	A B N									
L. Current Lease Payments (Note each le	ase)									
Subtotal Current Lease Payments By MOF	A B N									
M. Motor Vehicles (List Vehicles)										
Subtotal Motor Vehicles By MOF	A B N									
TOTAL REQUEST			374,652			374,652	375	375	375	375

#### IV. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

The Department of Transportation - Highways (DOTHWY) has determined the current operations & maintenance staffing level is insufficient to meet roadway maintenance requirements

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on the island of Hawaii. To help alleviate the the understaffing levels, the DOTHWY is requesting to re-establish the funding of payroll requirements for various front line maintenance positions that are currently un-funded. The positions were initally unfunded via Act 5/SLH 2019. The 2019 Legislature had converted DOTHWY's project funded positions to operating and maintenance positions. Upon converting the positions, DOTHWY's acted in a fiscally responsible manner by agreeing as a compromise with the legislature and the unions to unfund the positions with the intent of utilizing these positions in the future.

The maintenance positions generally performs pavement patching and rehabilitates shoulder areas; maintains and repairs structures and drainage facilities; constructs additions, alterations and improvements to highways as directed; maintains landscaped areas and drainage systems. Roadside maintenance includes mechanical roadside mowing; controls weeds by manual and chemical mean; removes litter; plants, prunes, propagates, replants, fertilizes and waters roadside landscape; cleans ditches, slopes and culverts; sweeps streets and intersections; installs, replaces, straightens and cleans traffic signs. Roadway maintenance includes patching, resurfacing and rehabilitation work on pavements and shoulders; constructs, maintains and repairs structures and drainage facilities; installs, replaces and repairs guardrails and guideposts; constructs additions, alterations and improvements to highways; cuts, grades and constructs slopes, embankments and roadside areas; cleans, repairs and restores highway after slides, storm damage and accidents.

Therefore, the Department of Transportation respectfully requests the positions' payroll requirements be re-established in the FB 25-27 Executive Budget via trade-off transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways Long-Term vacancy savings \$189,858 (B) and Electrician Helper (#11620) BC05A, BU 01 Salary \$56,340 and Fringe \$36,057 in FY 26 and FY 27. No additional permanent FTE position counts is being requested.

Furthermore, the Department of Transportation respectfully requests the positions' payroll requirements be re-established in the FB 25-27 Executive Budget via trade-off transfer from TRN 531/DF Maui Highways Automotive Mechanic Helper (#16942) BC05A, BU 01 Salary \$56,340 and Fringe \$36,057 in FY 26 and FY 27. No additional permanent FTE position counts is being requested.

- V. RELATIONSHIP OF THE REQUEST TO STATE PLAN OR FUNCTIONAL PLAN N/A
- VI. INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY N/A
- VII. IMPACT ON OTHER STATE PROGRAMS/AGENCIES N/A
- VIII. IMPACT ON FACILITY REQUIREMENTS (R&M, CIP)
  N/A
- IX. EXTERNAL CONFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS
  N/A
- X. REQUIRED LEGISLATION (Please specify appropriate statutes; i.e., HRS) N/A
- XI. OTHER COMMENTS

See attached.

n/a

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Date Prepared/Revised: 3/2/2025

Department Priority:

### FB 25-27 BUDGET OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Program	ID/Org	g. Code:	TRN 511/DD
Program	Title:	Hawaii I	Highways

Department Contact: Tammy Lee Phone: 587-2218

I. TITLE OF REQUEST: Re-establish budget authority for various un-funded maintenance positions payroll requirements

Description of Request: Re-establish budget authority for 4.00 FTE un-funded maintenance positions payroll requirements in TRN 511/DD Hawaii Highways. No additional permanent FTE position counts is being requested.

FV 26 Request

FY 26 Request

Request Category:

Trade-Off/Transfer (+)\_x\_\_ (-) \_\_\_

Conversion of Unbudgeted Positions

Fixed Cost/Entitlement

Federal Fund Adjustment Req \_\_\_

Administration Priorities

Full Year Funding for Eligible Positions \_\_\_\_\_

Health, Safety, Court Mandates

Second-Year Funding

Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Positions \_\_\_\_\_

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2023 Wildfires Recovery Efforts \_\_\_\_\_

Other

#### II. OPERATING COST SUMMARY

- A. Personal Services
- B. Other Current Expenses
- C. Equipment
- L. Current Lease Payments

**OPERATING COST DETAILS** 

M. Motor Vehicles

#### **TOTAL REQUEST**

FTE (P)         FTE (T)         (\$)         FTE (T)         (\$)         (\$ thous)         (\$ thous)         (\$ thous)           374,652         374,652         375         375         375         3	) (\$ thous) 75 375
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FV 27 Request

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FY 27 Request

Date Prepared/Revised:

3/2/2025

# FB 25-27 BUDGET OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ETF (T) (\$) | ETF (P) ETF (T)

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	MOF	FTE (P) FTE (T)	(\$)	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$)	(\$ thous)	(\$ thous)	(\$ thous)	(\$ thous)
A. Personal Services (List all positions) Salaries to be re-established for the f (#47363): Equipment Operator I BC-0				-01 (#1338);	Truck driver-La	aborer BC-05, Bl	J-01 (#4426	9); General	Laborer I BC	:-02, BU-01
Personal Services trade-off/transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways: Unfund salary: Electrician Helper (#11620) BC05A, BU 01	В		56,340			56,340	56	56	56	56
Personal Services trade-off/transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways: Long Term Vacant Position Savings	В		115,767			115,767	116	116	116	116
Personal Services trade-off/transfer from TRN 531/DF Maui Highways (Maui Office): Unfund salary: Highways Automotive Mechanic Helper (#16942) BC05A, BU 01	В		56,340			56,340	56	56	56	56
Other Personal Services Fringe Benefit and Overtime to be re- Laborer I BC-02, BU-01 (#47363): Eq					04, BU-01 (#1	338); Truck drive	er-Laborer B	C-05, BU-01	(#44269); C	General
Fringe Benefit (64%) Trade- off/transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways: Unfund Fringe Benefit : Electrician Helper (#11620) BC05A, BU 01	В	, ,	36,057			36,057	36	36	36	36
Fringe Benefit (64%) Trade- off/transfer from TRN 501/DC Oahu Highways: Long Term Vacant Position Savings	В		74,091			74,091	74	74	74	74
Fringe Benefit (64%) Trade- off/transferfrom TRN 531/DF Highways: Unfund Fringe Benefit: Automotive Mechanic Helper (#16942) BC05A, BU 01	В		36,057			36,057	36	36	36	36

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### FB 25-27 BUDGET OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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			374,652			374,652	375	375	375	375
By MOF	A B N		374,652			374,652	375	375	375	375
B. Other Current Expenses (List by line ite	m)									
Subtotal Other Current Expenses By MOF	A B N				[					
C. Equipment (List by line item)										
Subtotal Equipment By MOF	A B N									
L. Current Lease Payments (Note each lea	ase)									
Subtotal Current Lease Payments By MOF	A B N									
M. Motor Vehicles (List Vehicles)										
Subtotal Motor Vehicles By MOF	A B N									
TOTAL REQUEST			374,652			374,652	375	375	375	375

#### IV. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

The Department of Transportation - Highways (DOTHWY) has determined the current operations & maintenance staffing level is insufficient to meet roadway maintenance requirements

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### FB 25-27 BUDGET OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

on the island of Hawaii. To help alleviate the understaffing levels, the DOTHWY is requesting to re-establish the funding of payroll requirements for various front line maintenance positions that are currently un-funded. The positions were initally unfunded via Act 5/SLH 2019. The 2019 Legislature had converted DOTHWY's project funded positions to operating and maintenance positions. Upon converting the positions, DOTHWY's acted in a fiscally responsible manner by agreeing as a compromise with the legislature and the unions to unfund the positions with the intent of utilizing these positions in the future.

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- V. RELATIONSHIP OF THE REQUEST TO STATE PLAN OR FUNCTIONAL PLAN
  N/A
- VI. INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY N/A
- VII. IMPACT ON OTHER STATE PROGRAMS/AGENCIES N/A
- VIII. IMPACT ON FACILITY REQUIREMENTS (R&M, CIP)
  N/A
- IX. EXTERNAL CONFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS
  N/A
- X. REQUIRED LEGISLATION (Please specify appropriate statutes; i.e., HRS) N/A
- XI. OTHER COMMENTS

See attached.

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### FB 25-27 BUDGET OPERATING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DE	PARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION		
		Department Priority:	

Program ID/Org. Code: TRN 595/DB Program Title: Highways Administration

Department Contact: Tammy Lee Phone: 587-2218

I. TITLE OF REQUEST: Photo Red Light Imaging Detector System

Description of Request: Additional state special funds (B) for the Photo Red Light Imaging Detector System.

Trade-Off/Transfer (+)\_\_\_ (-)\_\_\_
Conversion of Unbudgeted Positions \_\_\_\_
Fixed Cost/Entitlement \_\_\_
Federal Fund Adjustment Req \_\_\_\_
Administration Priorities \_\_\_
Full Year Funding for Eligible Positions \_\_\_\_
Health, Safety, Court Mandates \_\_\_\_
Second-Year Funding \_\_\_
Deletion of Long-Term Vacant Positions \_\_\_\_
2023 Wildfires Recovery Efforts \_\_\_\_
Other \_\_X\_\_\_

#### II. OPERATING COST SUMMARY

- A. Personal Services
- B. Other Current Expenses
- C. Equipment
- L. Current Lease Payments
- M. Motor Vehicles

#### **TOTAL REQUEST**

	FY 26 Requ	est		FY 27 Reques	st	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31
FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$)	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$)	(\$ thous)	(\$ thous)	(\$ thous)	(\$ thous)
		2,400,000			2,800,000	2,342	1,419	1,419	1,419
		2,400,000			2,800,000	2,342	1,419	1,419	1,419

Request Category:

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By MOF:							
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В	2,4	00,000	2,800,000	2,342	1,419	1,419	1,419
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#### III. OPERATING COST DETAILS

		FY 26 Reques	t		FY 27 Reques	st	FY 28	FY 29	FY 30	FY 31
MOF	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$)	FTE (P)	FTE (T)	(\$)	(\$ thous)	(\$ thous)	(\$ thous)	(\$ thous)

A. Personal Services (List all positions) Position Title SR Other Personal Services									
Fringe Benefits									
Subtotal Personal Service Costs By MOF	A B N								
Other Current Expenses (List by line ite Photo Red Light Imaging Detector System	m) B	2	2,400,000		2,800,000	2,342	1,419	1,419	1,419
Subtotal Other Current Expenses			2,400,000		2,800,000	2,342	1,419	1,419	1,419
By MOF	A B N	2	2,400,000		2,800,000	2,342	1,419	1,419	1,419
C. Equipment (List by line item)									
Subtotal Equipment By MOF	A B N			[					
L. Current Lease Payments (Note each lea	ase)								
Subtotal Current Lease Payments By MOF	A B N								
M. Motor Vehicles (List Vehicles)									
Subtotal Motor Vehicles By MOF	A B N			[					
TOTAL REQUEST			2,400,000		2,800,000	2,342	1,419	1,419	1,419

#### IV. JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST

Request additional State Highway Special Funds to continue the Photo Red Light Imaging Detector System that has become permanent in November 2024. The Hawaii Department of

Transportation (HDOT) will maintain the existing 10 locations and seek additional locations to expand to operations, including the neighbor islands. Funds for the Photo Red Light Imaging Detector System include the installation, operation, maintenance, and repair of the Photo Red Light Imaging Detector System by third-party vendor. This third-party vendor will also preview and issue citations to registered owners of vehicles that run a red light. Funds for the Photo Red Light Imaging Detector System will also provide staffing for the prosecutor's offices and the four county police departments. The prosecutor's office and country police departments will review and verify the citation as well as testify in court.

#### V. RELATIONSHIP OF THE REQUEST TO STATE PLAN OR FUNCTIONAL PLAN

The HDOT program will continue to oversee the permanent red light imaging detector system.

#### VI. INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY

N/A

#### VII. IMPACT ON OTHER STATE PROGRAMS/AGENCIES

None

#### VIII. IMPACT ON FACILITY REQUIREMENTS (R&M. CIP)

None

#### IX. EXTERNAL CONFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

None

#### X. REQUIRED LEGISLATION (Please specify appropriate statutes; i.e., HRS)

Act 30/SLH 2020 established the Photo Red Light Imaging Detector Systems Special Fund. The objective of the special fund is to deposit fines, and authorized the expenditures for the establishment, operation, management and maintenance of the photo red light imaging detector systems program. It has been determined the anticipated annual collection of fines will not be able to sustain the program in the long-term. Based on the Photo Red Light Imaging Detector Systems Special Fund financial plan, it is projected there will be insufficient funding effective FY 2028 and into subsequent fiscal years (FY29 - FY31) at the sustained level of \$2.8 million per fiscal year. Thus, anticipated funding amounts have been adjusted downwards in FY 28 to FY 31. To sustain the \$2.8 million funding, legislation is required to transfer sufficient cash into the Photo Red Light Imaging Detector Systems Special Fund in FY 2028 and/or into future fiscal years, for the program to remain solvent.

#### XI. OTHER COMMENTS

	 FY 26	FY 27
Required Funding	\$ 2,400,000	\$ 2,800,000
Base budget	None	None
Budget request	\$ 2,400,000	\$ 2,800,000

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-Highways Photo Red Light I maging Systems Special Fund Financial Summary as of 03.12.25

	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
	Actual	EST.	EST.	EST.	EST.	EST.	EST.	EST.
REVENUES:		<u> </u>		•				
Revenue	756,589	756,589	756,589	1,134,883	1,418,603	1,418,603	1,418,603	1,418,603
TOTAL REVENUES:	756,589	756,589	756,589	1,134,883	1,418,603	1,418,603	1,418,603	1,418,603
EXPENDITURES:								
Expenditures	1,208,993	1,094,030	2,400,000	2,800,000	2,342,281	1,418,603	1,418,604	1,418,603
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	1,208,993	1,094,030	2,400,000	2,800,000	2,342,281	1,418,603	1,418,604	1,418,603
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures:	(452,404)	(337,441)	(1,643,412)	(1,665,117)	(923,678)	0	(1)	0
OTHER CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE:								
Fund Balance Prior Year:	5,022,051	4,569,647	4,232,206	2,588,795	923,677	(0)	0	(0)
Adj Prior Year/Transfers 1:								
Fund Balance at the end of the Year:	4,569,647	4,232,206	2,588,795	923,677	(0)	0	(0)	0

ADMINISTRATION OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE ADJUSTMENTS

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

H.B. 300, H.D. 1, IMPACT STATEMENTS

						GOV	Budget					House	Draft						
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																		Priority to Restore (1 = highest priority to	
																		restore funding to	
ProgID	SubOrg	Seq#	Description of Request	Pos (P)	Pos (T)	\$\$\$	Description of Change in HD1	Impact of Change	GOV budget)	Alternative Reduction for Any Opposed Reductions									

None.

Prog ID		Project Title	Project Description	MOF	GOV_FY26	GOV_FY27	HSE_FY26	HSE_FY27	HDOT Impact Statement	DELTA_26	DELTA_27
TRN102	A38A	DANIEL K. INOUYE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS, OAHU	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO TERMINALS, SYSTEMS, AND FACILITIES AT THE AIRPORT. THIS PROJECT IS DEEMED NECESSARY TO QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL AID FINANCING								
			AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT.	E	17,061	26,760	17,061	26,760		_	-
TRN102	A38A	DANIEL K. INOUYE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS, OAHU	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO TERMINALS, SYSTEMS, AND FACILITIES AT THE AIRPORT. THIS PROJECT IS DEEMED NECESSARY TO QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL AID FINANCING AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT.	N	_1	_	1	1	The Department supports to addition of \$1,000 to the federal appropriation in FY27 as this will provide more flexibility to the Daniel K. Inouye International Airport program.		1
TRN104	HSE ADD-ON	KAWAIHAPAI AIRFIELD RESERVOIR REHABILITATION AND REFURBISHMENT, OAHU	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR THE REHABILITATION AND/OR REFURBISHMENT OF THE RESERVOIR.			-	420	-	The Department supports the addition of Kawaihapai Airfield Reservoir Rehabilitation and Refurbishment, Oahu using general funds. The Department will be able to make the required rehabilitation to the reservoir without violating the federal grant assurance which restricts the use of Airport funds to airport operated facilities.	420	
TRN104	HSE ADD-ON	KAWAIHAPAI AIRFIELD WATER METERS, OAHU	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR REPLACEMENT AND/OR NEW INSTALLATION OF WATER METERS, INCLUDING ANY ASSOCIATED PIPING AND ISOLATION VALVES, FOR THE AIRFIELD AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITY.	C	_		240	_	The Department supports the addition of Kawaihapai Airfield Water Meters, Oahu using general funds. The Department will be able to replace the water meters without violating the federal grant assurance which restricts the use of Airport funds to airport operated facilities.	240	
TRN104	HSE ADD-ON	KAWAIHAPAI AIRFIELD WATER PUMP, OAHU	DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE EXISTING SUBMERSIBLE WELL PUMP.	С	-	-	250	-	The Department supports the addition of Kawaihapai Airfield Water Pump, Oahu using general funds. The Department will be able to replace the existing submersible well pump without violating the federal grant assurances which restricts the use of Airport funds to airport operated facilities.	250	
TRN195	HSE ADD-ON	LUMP SUM CIP - AIRPORTS PROJECT ADJUSTMENT FUND, STATEWIDE	PLANS, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CONTINGENCY FUND FOR PROJECT ADJUSTMENT PURPOSES SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE APPROPRIATIONS ACT.	E	_	-	4	4	The Department supports the addition of the Airports Project Adjustment Fund, Statewide as it will provide more flexibility to the Airports program.	4	4

Prog ID	Proj No.	Project Title	Project Description	MOF	GOV_FY26	GOV_FY27	_ HSE_FY26	HSE_FY27	HDOT Impact Statement	DELTA_26	DELTA_27
TRN501	HSE ADD-ON	KAMEHAMEHA HIGHWAY, OAHU	PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR A BARRIER AND SIGNAGE ALONG						DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) appreciates the assignment of general obligation bond funds for this project to provide		
			KAMEHAMEHA HIGHWAY NEAR THE KIPAPA						safety improvements along Kamehameha Highway in the vicinity of Kipapa Gulch.		
			GULCH BRIDGE TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY, PREVENT UNAUTHORIZED						Provision of "C" funds will not financially impact HWY; however, as this		
			1						project addition lies outside of the current HWY program, if the MOF were		
			ENCAMPMENTS, AND ENSURE UNOBSTRUCTED ACCESS TO THE HIGHWAY.						revised to a Highway funding source (B, E, N), and /or actual funds		
			UNOBSTRUCTED ACCESS TO THE HIGHWAY.						required were higher than provided, implementation will be less certain.		
				C			1,850		required were nigher than provided, implementation will be less certain.	1,850	
TRN501	HSE ADD-ON	KAMEHAMEHA HIGHWAY, OAHU	PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR	C	-	-	1,850	-	DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) appreciates the	1,650	-
TINIVOOT	HISE ADD-ON	IKAWEHAWEHA HIGHWAT, OAHO	IMPROVEMENTS TO KAMEHAMEHA						assignment of general obligation bond funds for this project. The intent		
			HIGHWAY BETWEEN MILILANI AND PEARL						and scope of work for this project addition is unclear at this time and will		
			CITY. THIS PROJECT IS DEEMED NECESSARY						need to be clarified for a decision on implementation.		
			TO QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL AID FINANCING						Additionally, Provision of "C" funds will not financially impact HWY;		
			AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT.						however, as this project addition lies outside of the current HWY program,		
			,						if the MOF were revised to a Highway funding source (B, E, N), and /or		
									actual funds required were higher than provided, implementation will be		
									less certain.		
				С	-	-	3,720	-		3,720	-
TRN501	HSE ADD-ON	KAMEHAMEHA HIGHWAY, OAHU	PLANS, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR						п		
			IMPROVEMENTS TO KAMEHAMEHA								
			HIGHWAY BETWEEN MILILANI AND PEARL								
			CITY. THIS PROJECT IS DEEMED NECESSARY								
			TO QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL AID FINANCING								
			AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT.								
				N	-	-	14,880	-		14,880	_
TRN511	HSE ADD-ON	ALTERNATE ROUTE SELECTION STUDY FOR	PLANS FOR ALTERNATIVE ROUTE FOR PUNA						Provision of "C" funds to DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation –		
		PUNA MAKAI ALTERNATE ROUTE, HAWAII	MAKAI.						Highways) will not financially impact HWY; however, as this project lies		
									within the jurisdiction of the County of Hawaii, we recommend it be		
									budgeted under SUB301 - County of Hawaii.		
									If this appropriation is to remain under TRN 511, HWY comments that the		
									assignment of general obligation bond funds for this alternate route study		
									for the Puna area is appreciated . As this project addition lies outside of		
									the current HWY program, if the MOF were revised to a Highway funding		
									source (B, E, N), and /or actual funds required were higher than provided,		
									implementation will be less certain.		
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Prog ID	Proj No.	Project Title	Project Description	MOF	GOV_FY26	GOV_FY27	HSE_FY26	HSE_FY27	HDOT Impact Statement	DELTA_26	DELTA_27
TRN511		ALTERNATE ROUTE SELECTION STUDY FOR PUNA MAUKA, HAWAII	PLANS FOR ALTERNATIVE ROUTE FOR PUNA MAUKA; PROVIDED THAT NO STATE FUNDS SHALL BE EXPENDED UNLESS THE COUNTY OF HAWAII CONTRIBUTES MATCHING COUNTY FUNDS FOR STATE FUNDS ON A DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR BASIS.						Provision of "C" funds to DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation — Highways) will not financially impact HWY; however, as this project lies within the jurisdiction of the County of Hawaii, we recommend it be budgeted under SUB301 - County of Hawaii.  If this appropriation is to remain under TRN 511, HWY comments that the assignment of general obligation bond funds for this alternate route study for the Puna area is appreciated. As this project addition lies outside of the current HWY program, if the MOF were revised to a Highway funding source (B, E, N), and /or actual funds required were higher than provided, implementation will be less certain.		
TRN511	HSE ADD-ON	ALTERNATE ROUTE SELECTION STUDY FOR PUNA MAUKA, HAWAII	PLANS FOR ALTERNATIVE ROUTE FOR PUNA MAUKA; PROVIDED THAT NO STATE FUNDS SHALL BE EXPENDED UNLESS THE COUNTY OF HAWAII CONTRIBUTES MATCHING COUNTY FUNDS FOR STATE FUNDS ON A DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR BASIS.	C	-		1,000	-	Provision of "S" funds will not financially impact (Department of Transportation – Highways); however, as this project lies within the jurisdiction of the County of Hawaii, HWY recommends that it be budgeted under SUB301 - County of Hawaii.	1,000	-
TRN511	HSE ADD-ON	PAHOA BYPASS ROAD, HAWAII	PLANS AND DESIGN FOR ROUNDABOUT IMPROVEMENTS ON PAHOA BYPASS ROAD.	С		-	1,000	-	DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) appreciates the assignment of general obligation bond funds to provide operational improvements in the form of a roundabout along Pahoa Bypass Road. The location of this project addition is unclear at this time and will need to be clarified for a decision on implementation.  Provision of "C" funds will not financially impact HWY; however, as this project addition lies outside of the current HWY program, if the MOF were revised to a Highway funding source (B, E, N), and /or actual funds required were higher than provided, implementation will be less certain.	1,000	
TRN595		HIGHWAY ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION AND REMEDIATION, STATEWIDE	LAND ACQUISITION, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION AND REMEDIATION MEASURES, INCLUDING EROSION CONTROL INSTALLATIONS AND PERMANENT BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS, STATEWIDE.	E	4,250	4,000	4,250	4,000	HWY appreciates the inclusion of this appropriation, and requests a minor revision to add the word, "permanent", to the description:  LAND ACQUISITION, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION AND REMEDIATION MEASURES, INCLUDING EROSION CONTROL INSTALLATIONS AND PERMANENT BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS, STATEWIDE.	-	

Prog ID	Proj No.	Project Title	Project Description	MOF	GOV_FY26	GOV_FY27	HSE_FY26	HSE_FY27	HDOT Impact Statement	DELTA_26	DELTA_27
		PACIFIC PALISADES, OAHU	PLANS AND DESIGN FOR AN EMERGENCY EGRESS/INGRESS ROUTE FOR PACIFIC PALISADES.		_	-			Provision of "C" funds to DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation — Highways) will not financially impact HWY; however, as this project lies within the jurisdiction of the City & County of Honolulu, we recommend it be budgeted under SUB201 - City and County of Honolulu.  If this appropriation is to remain under TRN 501, HWY comments that the assignment of general obligation bond funds for this emergency route for Pacific Palisades is appreciated. As this project addition lies outside of the current HWY program, if the MOF were revised to a Highway funding source (B, E, N), and /or actual funds required were higher than provided, implementation will be less certain.	_	-
TRN595	HSE ADD-ON	ROADS IN LIMBO CLASSIFICATION, HAWAII	PLANS AND DESIGN FOR MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENTS, AND RELATED ACTIVITIES ALONG WITH CLEAR DELINEATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES BETWEEN THE STATE AND COUNTY WITH REGARDS TO ROADS IN LIMBO IN EAST HAWAII ISLAND.	С	-	-	1,000		Provision of "C" funds to DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation — Highways) will not financially impact HWY; however, this project does not seem to lie within the jurisdiction of HWY, and as such, should be budgeted under the appropriate department.  If this appropriation is to remain under TRN 511, HWY comments that the assignment of general obligation bond funds for the classification of roads in limbo is appreciated. As this project addition lies outside of the current HWY program, if the MOF were revised to a Highway funding source (B, E, N), and /or actual funds required were higher than provided, implementation will be less certain.  We also have the following comments:  - The description is wider than what is included in the title, and thus, the title may need to be expanded or the description reduced to align.  - The scope of work does not seem to be predominantly CIP in nature, and may be more suitable for O&M budgeting.	1,000	-
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#### **HDOT SUMMARY TOTALS**

General Fund	Α	-	-	-	-
Special Funds	В	82,344	177,918	82,344	177,918
General Obligation Bonds	С	-	-	11,480	-
GO Bonds Reimbursable	D	-	-	-	-
Revenue Bonds	E	711,200	963,286	711,204	963,290

Prog ID Proj No.	Project Title	Project Description	MOF	GOV_FY26	GOV_FY27	HSE_FY26	HSE_FY27	HDOT Impact Statement	_ DELTA_26 DELTA
	Federal Fund	ds	N	648,796	535,209	663,676	535,210		14,880
	Other Federal Fun	ds	Р	-	-	-	-		
	Private Contribution	ns	R	32	32	32	32		<u>-</u>
	County Fundament	ds	S	700	-	1,700	-		1,000
	Trust Fund	ds	Т	-	-	-	-		H
	Interdepartmental Transfe	rs	U	-	-	-	-		
	Federal Stimulus Fund	ds	V	-	-	-	-		-
	Revolving Fund	ds	W	-	-	-	-		-
	Other Fund	ds	X	301,200	200	301,200	200		+ 11 min + 12 min + 1
	TRN TOTA	AL		1,744,272	1,676,645	1,771,636	1,676,650		27,364
	AIRPOR"	rs							
	General Fur	nd	Α	_	-	_	-		
	Special Fund		В	6,127	6,127	6,127	6,127		
	General Obligation Bono		C	-	-,	910	-		910
	GO Bonds Reimbursab		D	_	_	_	_		<u>-</u>
	Revenue Bon		E	542,188	841,062	542,192	841,066		4
				18 805	64 602	- ,	64 603		

General Obligation Bonds	C	-	-	910	-	910	-
GO Bonds Reimbursable	D	-	-	-	-		-
Revenue Bonds	E	542,188	841,062	542,192	841,066	4	4
Federal Funds	N	18,805	64,602	18,805	64,603		1
Other Federal Funds	P	-	-	-	-	-	-
Private Contributions	R	-	-	-	-	-	-
County Funds	S	-	-	-	-		-
Trust Funds	Т	-	-	-	-		-
Interdepartmental Transfers	U	-	-	-	-	-	-
Federal Stimulus Funds	V	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revolving Funds	W	-	-	-	-		-
Other Funds	X	301,200	200	301,200	200		-
AIR SUBTOTAL		868,320	911,991	869,234	911,996	914	5

#### HARBORS

General Fund	Α	-	-	-	-
Special Funds	В	52,496	154,448	52,496	154,448
General Obligation Bonds	С	-	-	-	-
GO Bonds Reimbursable	D	-	-	-	-
Revenue Bonds	E	-	-	-	-
Federal Funds	N	32	32	32	32
Other Federal Funds	Р	-	-	-	-
<b>Private Contributions</b>	R	32	32	32	32
County Funds	S	-	-	-	-

Prog ID Proj No.	Project Title	Project Description	MOF _	GOV_FY26	GOV_FY27	HSE_FY26	HSE_FY27	HDOT Impact Statement	_ DELTA_26 DELTA_27
	Trust Funds		Т	-	-	-	-		+
	Interdepartmental Transfers		U	-	-	-	-		
	Federal Stimulus Funds		V	-	-	-	-		
	Revolving Funds		W	-	-	-	-		H H
	Other Funds		Χ	-	-	-	-		
	HAR SUBTOTAL			52,560	154,512	52,560	154,512		

#### **HIGHWAYS**

General Fund	Α	-	-	-	-	•	-
Special Funds	В	23,721	17,343	23,721	17,343		-
General Obligation Bonds	С	-	-	10,570	-	10,570	-
GO Bonds Reimbursable	D	-	-	-	-		-
Revenue Bonds	E	169,012	122,224	169,012	122,224		-
Federal Funds	N	629,959	470,575	644,839	470,575	14,880	-
Other Federal Funds	P	-	-	-	-		-
Private Contributions	R	-	-	-	-		-
County Funds	S	700	-	1,700	-	1,000	-
Trust Funds	Т	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interdepartmental Transfers	U	-	-	-	-	·	_
Federal Stimulus Funds	V	-	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	-
Revolving Funds	W	-	-	-	-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_
Other Funds	X	-	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	-
HWY SUBTOTAL		823,392	610,142	849,842	610,142	26,450	_
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### HDOT Impact Statement HB300 HD 1, Budget Provisions (Operating and CIP)

#### Fiscal Biennium 2025–2027

HDOT supports including all the provisos and/or provisions indicated in HB300 relating to the State Budget.

HDOT would like to highlight and respectfully request favorable consideration for the following O&M and CIP provisos and/or provisions indicated in HB300 to be included in HB300, HD1, SD1:

HB 300	HD1	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
Section No.	Section No.			
17.	14.	Airport Revenue Bonds	To authorize the issuance of Airport Revenue Bonds. To authorize the transfer of funds by change Means of Financing (MOF) from Revenue Bond Funds (MOF E) and Reimbursable General Obligation Bond Funds (MOF D) to Special Funds (MOF B).	AIR The authorization of Airport Revenue Bonds will support critical airport infrastructure and operational improvements. Additionally, the transfer of funds by changing the Means of Financing (MOF) will ensure proper financial allocation.
18.	15.	Rental Motor Vehicle Customer Facility Revenue Bonds	To authorize the issuance of Airport Rental Motor Vehicle Customer Facility Revenue Bonds. To authorize the transfer of funds by change Means of Financing (MOF) from Revenue Bond Funds (MOF E) to Special Funds (MOF B).	AIR The issuance of Airport Rental Motor Vehicle Customer Facility Revenue Bonds will provide necessary funding for rental car facility operations and improvements. Additionally, the transfer of funds by changing the Means of Financing (MOF) will ensure proper financial allocation.
19.	16.	Harbor Revenue Bonds	To authorize the issuance of Harbor Revenue Bonds. To authorize the transfer of funds by change Means of Financing (MOF) from Revenue Bond Funds (MOF E) and Reimbursable General Obligation Bond Funds (MOF D) to Special Funds (MOF B).	
20.	17.	Highway Revenue Bonds	To authorize the issuance of Highway Revenue Bonds. To authorize the transfer of funds by change Means of Financing (MOF) from Revenue Bond Funds (MOF E) and Reimbursable General Obligation Bond Funds (MOF D) to Special Funds (MOF B).	HWY DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision will allow DOT-HWYs to finance longer-term, higher-cost CIP needs of the HWY program.

HB 300 Section No.	HD1 Section No.	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
23.	20.	Supplement Allotments and Transfer Unrequired Balances	To authorize the transfer of funds from the fund responsible for debt service payments and unrequired or unlapsed projects to supplement allotments.	AIR This authorization allows supplemental allotments from the special fund or transfer unrequired balances from other unlapsed projects. This ensures efficient reallocation of funds to support priority capital improvement projects.  HWY DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision will allow HWY the flexibility to utilize unrequired balances of previously approved appropriations to meet unanticipated cost increases and immediate CIP infrastructure needs. This proviso had been used in the past for such projects as the Kapolei Interchange, H-1 EB Widening from Ola lane to Likelike offramp, Kamehameha Highway Realignment in Laniakea,
24.	21.	Supplement Allotments and Transfer Unrequired Balances; Airport Passenger Facility Charge	To authorize the transfer of funds from the Airport Revenue Fund, Airport Revenue Bond Fund, and unrequired or unlapsed projects to supplement allotments where the source of funding is designated as Airport Passenger Facility Charge Funds.	AIR This authorization allows the transfer of funds from the Airport Revenue Fund, Airport Revenue Bond Fund, and unrequired or unlapsed projects to supplement allotments funded by Airport Passenger Facility Charge Funds. This ensures efficient utilization of available resources to support airport development and operational needs.

HB 300 Section No.	HD1 Section No.	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
25.		Supplement Funds from Cost Element Transfers	To authorize the transfer of funds from cost elements within capital improvement projects authorized by this Act, or any prior or future Act.	AIR HDOT respectfully requests that this proviso be restored for effective and efficient budget execution. This ensures efficient reallocation of funds to support priority capital improvement program projects.  HWY DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision will allow HWY the flexibility to fully utilize the appropriation authorized by the State Legislature through the adjustment of funding required between elements in order to meet more recent estimates.  This proviso had been recently used for allotment requests such as Statewide Bridge Rehabilitation / Replacement Program, Statewide Pedestrian Crossing Lighting Improvements, and Statewide Intelligent Transportation System.
26.	30.	Extend Lapse Date; Capital Improvement Projects	To authorize the extension of the lapse dates for capital improvement project (CIP) appropriations beyond the end of the fiscal biennium.	AIR This authorization extends the lapse dates for CIP appropriations. It ensures that funding is available to support priority CIP projects.  HWY DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts as it provides a longer funding availability

HB 300 Section No.	HD1 Section No.	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
				window for CIP project implementation, as is commonly encountered.
29.	33.	Delegate Authority to Expend	To authorize designated expending agencies to delegate project execution to other state or county agencies.	HWY  DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. This provision will allow projects to be implemented by the agency best suited to bring a project about, whether it be due to expertise, jurisdiction, manpower, and/or other reasons. This proviso had been recently used for allotment requests such as Kailua Safety Improvements on Oahu, and the Puna Makai Alternate Route Study on the Big Island.
31.	-	Natural Disasters or Unforeseen Emergencies	To authorize the expenditure of funds for capital improvement projects that were not authorized in response to natural disasters or unforeseen emergencies.	HWY The DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision will allow the DOT-HWYs to fund unforeseen natural disasters or other emergencies requiring immediate attention.
32.	-	Natural Disasters or Unforeseen Emergencies; Supplement Appropriations and Transfer Unrequired Balances	To authorize the transfer of savings or unrequired balances to supplement the appropriation for any other program in this Act to cope with the effects of natural disasters or other unforeseen emergencies.	HWY The DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision will allow the DOT-HWYs to fund unforeseen natural disasters or other emergencies. This will allow flexibility in utilizing its budget authority and allow the maximization use of its funds. The ability to

HB 300 Section No.	HD1 Section No.	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
				transfer funds between its programs allows DOT-HWY to reallocate its budget authority as necessary for unanticipated natural disasters or other emergencies requiring immediate attention. Historically, DOT-HWY has judiciously exercised the use of the provision.
+	28.	Supplementary Appropriation; Department of Transportation, Airports	To authorize the transfer of funds from the unrequired balances of revenue bond fund appropriations for the department of transportation airports division capital improvement projects to the airports project adjustment fund.	AIR This authorization facilitates the transfer of unrequired balances from revenue bond fund appropriations to the Airports Project Adjustment Fund. It ensures efficient reallocation of funds to support priority capital improvement projects within the Department of Transportation Airports Division.
+	29.	Airports Project Adjustment Fund	To authorize the transfer of funds from the airports project adjustment fund to supplement allotments for the department of transportation airports division capital improvement projects listed in any Act currently authorized by the legislature.	AIR This authorization enables the transfer of funds from the Airports Project Adjustment Fund to supplement allotments for the Department of Transportation Airports Division's capital improvement projects. It ensures that funding is available to support authorized projects as designated by the legislature.
36.	38.	Extend Lapse Date; Operating, Federal Funds	To authorize the extension of the lapse dates for federal funds and other federal funds authorized for operating costs.	AIR This authorization extends the lapse dates for federal funds. It ensures that federal funding is available to support priority CIP projects.

HB 300 Section	HD1 Section	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
No.	No.			
37.	39.	Unanticipated Federal Funding Cutbacks, Utilize Savings	To authorize the transfer of savings to address unanticipated federal funding cutbacks.	
38.	40.	Increase Federal Funds Ceiling	To authorize the expenditure of federal funds in excess of the levels authorized by the legislature.	AIR This authorization allows Governor to increase federal funds in excess of the levels authorized by the legislature. It ensures that in the event federal funds become available in excess of authorized levels, the State will be able to utilize the excess federal funds.  HWY DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision will allow HWY the flexibility to infuse federal funds into programmed projects when legislative authority is insufficient These instances may come about when projects are programmed with lesser levels or no federal funds, and thus budgeted with less or no federal authority.  With the addition of federal funds and/or a higher level of federal funding, savings in State resources may be allocated to other projects, as appropriate.  This proviso has been recently used for projects such as Oahu Rail Line Highway Improvements, Kaumualii Highway Widening, Statewide Metal Culvert Bridge Rehabilitation, and Statewide Bridge Scour Mitigation.
39.	41.	Extend Lapse Date; Federal Funds and Other Means of Financing, Except General Funds	To authorize the extension of the lapse dates for federal funds and other means of financing, except general funds, when deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid financing and/or reimbursement.	AIR This authorization allows the Governor to extend the lapse dates for federal funds and state matching funds. It

HB 300 Section No.	HD1 Section No.	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
				ensures that funding is available to support priority CIP projects.
				HWY DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. Current federal highway funding authorizations allow for the use of federal funds beyond lapse dates provided under State budget requirements. This proviso will allow HWY to continue to match federal funding releases and complete implementations of federal projects when such projects require additional time to close out.
40.	42.	Private Contributions	To authorize the expenditure or utilization of private contributions in accordance with applicable state constitutional and statutory requirements.	HWY  DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. In addition to providing supplemental funding resources for a given project, private contributions may be allowed to stand in as the State match to Federal funding reimbursements for federal-aid projects.
41.	43.	Land Acquisitions	To authorize the negotiation and acquisition of land.	HWY DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts, as right-of-way acquisition is a common requirement for CIP project implementations.

HB 300 Section No.	HD1 Section No.	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
42.	44.	Federal or Non-General Fund Reimbursement	To authorize the transfer of federal or non-general fund reimbursements to the general fund or fund of originating expenses to the extent permitted.	AIR This authorization transfers federal reimbursements to the fund originating the expense. This allows HDOT to ensure sufficient funds are available for CIP projects.  HWY DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The federal highway program operates on a reimbursement basis, requiring the State to up-front payment. This provision will allow for the repayment of State Highway funds used to initially pay project expenses for federal-aid projects.
43.	-	Transfer Funds	To authorize the transfer of operating funds appropriated within an expending agency.	AIR This would allow for the Governor to approve any fund transfer between programs within an expending agency or department to best utilize available resources within the budget ceiling to meet the department's operation and maintenance requirements.  HWY The DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision will allow the DOT-HWYs to fund unforeseen needs within the program's available appropriations. This will allow flexibility in utilizing its budget authority and allow the maximization use of its funds. The ability to transfer funds between its programs

HB 300 Section	HD1 Section	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
No.	No.			allows DOT-HWY to reallocate its budget authority as necessary for unanticipated circumstances requiring immediate attention. Historically, DOT-HWY has judiciously exercised the use of the provision to meet the operating needs of its programs.  ADM  Transfers by HDOT would utilize program savings and be a budget-neutral transfer of special funds that will not impact the general fund.  HDOT would not be able to address budget shortfalls and other program requirements until the legislature reconvenes to consider budget adjustments through legislation.
44.	-	Transfer Positions	To authorize the transfer of positions authorized within a department or agency authorized position ceiling.	AIR This would allow for the Governor to approve any position transfer between programs within the department to best utilize available resources within the position ceiling to fulfill operations and maintenance requirements.  HWY The DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision allows the DOT-Highways to maximize the use of its personnel to meet its operational needs.  ADM

# HDOT Impact Statement HB300 HD 1, Budget Provisions (Operating and CIP)

HB 300	HD1	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
Section	Section			
No.	No.			
				Transfers of positions by this proviso would allow HDOT to maximize the use of authorized postions counts.
52.	52.	Protocol Fund	To authorize a protocol fund that will be used at the discretion of the department's executive head for official purposes for protocol-related expenses.	ADM HDOT supports the legislative authorization that would allow HDOT to expend funds for protocol expenses.

HDOT Impact Statement
HB300 HD 1, Budget Provisions (Operating and CIP)

## Fiscal Biennium 2023–2025

HDOT respectfully requests that the contents of HB1153, HD1 and HB1164, HD1 be additionally consolidated into HB300, HD1, SD1 to amend part VII of Act 164, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2023, as amended by Act 230, SLH 2024, by adding the following sections for the purposes indicated:

Section	HB300,	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
No.	HD1			
15.2	-	Supplement Allotments and Transfer Unrequired Balances	To authorize the transfer of funds from the fund responsible for debt service payments and unrequired or unlapsed projects to supplement allotments.	HWY  DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision will allow HWY the flexibility to utilize unrequired balances of previously approved appropriations to meet unanticipated cost increases and immediate CIP infrastructure needs. This proviso had been used in the past for such projects as the Kapolei Interchange, H-1 EB Widening from Ola lane to Likelike off- ramp, Kamehameha Highway Realignment in Laniakea, and Statewide EV Facilities.
15.3	-	Supplement Allotments and Transfer Unrequired Balances; Airport Passenger Facility Charge	To authorize the transfer of funds from the Airport Revenue Fund, Airport Revenue Bond Fund, and unrequired or unlapsed projects to supplement allotments where the source of funding is designated as Airport Passenger Facility Charge Funds.	
15.4	-	Highway Revenue Bonds	To authorize the issuance of Highway Revenue Bonds. To authorize the transfer of funds by change Means of Financing (MOF) from Revenue Bond Funds (MOF E) and Reimbursable General Obligation Bond Funds (MOF D) to Special Funds (MOF B).	HWY  DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests the provision be inserted into future bill drafts. The provision will allow DOT-HWYs to finance longer-term, higher-cost CIP needs of the HWY program in the FY24/25 biennium.

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Section	НВ300,	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
No.	HD1			
15.5	-	Protocol Fund	To authorize a protocol fund that will be used at the discretion of the department's executive head for official purposes for protocol-related expenses.	ADM HDOT supports the legislative authorization that would allow HDOT to expend funds for protocol expenses within the existing budget appropriations.

HDOT respectfully requests favorable consideration of an additional amendment to Act 164, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2023, as amended by Act 230, SLH 2024, to amend the project description of a prior appropriation in order to expand the scope of the capital improvement project:

Section	HB300,	Proviso Title	Proviso Description	HDOT Impact Statement
No.	HD1			
+	-	Kakaako Road Improvements, Oahu Amend Project Description	To amend the project description for a prior authorization to expand the scope of the project appropriation.	HWY  DOT-HWY (Department of Transportation – Highways) respectfully requests a provision be inserted into future bill drafts to revise the description of this prior appropriation. The scope of the existing appropriation is limited to resurfacing roads in Kakaako. This revision will allow the City & County of Honolulu to design improvements to these roadways, including drainage, sidewalks and paths, utility improvements, landscaping, lighting, and related amenities.

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TESTIMONY OF DANIEL NĀHO'OPI'I

Interim President & CEO Hawai'i Tourism Authority before the

#### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. State Capitol, Room 211

In consideration of HB 300 HD 1
RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Committee,

The Hawai'i Tourism Authority (HTA) provides comments on HB 300 HD 1, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025 - 2026 and 2026 - 2027. HD 1 currently sets funding to \$1 for each of HTA's program ID numbers (BED 113, 114, 115, 116, and 117). HTA kindly requests consideration of the following operating and CIP line items.

The economic impact of fully funding the Governor's request for HTA, including the \$6 million as detailed in GM4 (\$75,397,189 in FY26 and \$72,397,189 in FY27) will result in \$336.3 million in state tax revenue and support 25,901 jobs in FY 2026.¹ This is equivalent to \$4.5 million for every \$1 million of HTA Budget. Fully funding HTA's Board-approved budget (\$80 million in FY26 and \$87 million in FY27) will result in \$345.4 million in tax revenue, 25,617 jobs, and will allow additional non-revenue producing but critical activities in Destination Stewardship to support a sustainable destination and progress towards a regenerative tourism model. Details of the additional programs are listed in the testimony below.

#### **Operating Requests**

BED 114 SEQ. NO. 100-001: \$5,547,352 (FY 26 - \$2,773,676 and FY 27 - \$2,773,676)
 The loss of the \$2,773,676 appropriation in each fiscal year significantly impacts HTA's ability to implement marketing and branding to ensure a globally competitive leisure and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism (2025, March 7) Economic Impact of HTA Budget.

business destination. Demand from domestic and international markets is expected to be soft, and there is a continued need for activities for quick return generation of demand, such as market saturation activations and co-op programs. Strong marketing is needed to stabilize the domestic market and rebuild the international markets. The current FY 25 marketing budget is only able to maintain interest and awareness levels. Beyond the Governor's administrative package, the HTA Board seeks additional funds for gohawaii.com website optimization and asset development which is critical as technology changes (AI) and this is a major marketing tool for all markets and for a booth refresh for IMEX (largest global meetings and events tradeshow held annually - provides an opportunity for Meet Hawai'i to connect with the incentive market and IPW (HTA's major international trade show that involves all of our international GMTs. Increase funding for marketing in China moving from GSA (General Sales Agent) to full service contract, appropriate funding for destination brand marketing for leisure travel in the Taiwan Market to a GSA.

- BED 114/BM SEQ. NO. 218-001: (01GM) The loss of the \$3 million appropriation significantly impacts HTA's ability to for branding and marketing to address the expected market softness further into Cy 2025 and 2026. Overcoming market hesitancy to visit Maui can only be accomplished through continued contact, frequent viewership, and relationship building. Activities will focus on short-term activities to increase demand, such as coop programs and in-market activations, and campaigns to show what to do and see.
- BED 114/BM SEQ. NO. 218-002: (02 GM) The loss of the \$3 million appropriation in FY26 and another \$3 million in FY27 significantly impacts HTA's ability to for branding and marketing to address Japan market demand that is expected to be down through 2027 without intervention. Activities will focus on short-term activities to increase demand, such as coop programs, in-market activations, and campaigns to show what to do and see.
- BED 116/DC SEQ. NO. 100-001: Increase is to account for the 10% restriction. The loss of the \$3,762,181 will significantly impact HTA's critical destination management and stewardship programs including: Kahea Harbors Greetings, a Destination Stewardship Opportunity Fund to fund Destination Stewardship opportunities that support the HTA's strategies for destination management and regenerative tourism. Additional funding is also requested for 'Ōlelo Hawai'i Project, Ma'ema'e Project, and Sustainable Tourism Project.

BED 116/DC SEQ. NO. 30-001: (Transfer in Pos & Budget Line Items fr BED 115/SS SEQ. NO. 30-001; BED 117/30-001; BED 118/30-001): For administrative convenience, HTA prefers a single program id. However, HTA recognizes the Legislature's desire to direct funding.

## **CIP Requests**

BED 113XC: For the fiscal biennium, HTA initially submitted a \$20,000,000 CIP request to DBEDT. However, following the lapsing of \$13.7 million in CIP funds appropriated under Act 248, SLH 2022, and revised project estimates, HTA now requests \$52,000,000 in CIP funds for FY 2026 to fully fund all R&M projects. This increase will support planned Hawai'i Convention Center (HCC) renovations scheduled for completion in calendar year 2026, during the center's modified operating schedule for its roof repair project.

Mahalo for the opportunity to share our comments for HB 300 HD 1.





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# Testimony in SUPPORT of HB300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

# SENATOR DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, CHAIR SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Hearing Date: March 18, 2025 Room Number: 211

- 1 Fiscal Implications: Sufficient appropriations are required for the Department of Health (DOH)
- to implement statutory obligations. Insufficient funding will jeopardize public health at large
- 3 and for vulnerable populations.
- 4 **Department Testimony:** The DOH supports HB300 HD1, in particular where priorities identified
- 5 in the Governor's Executive Budget request have been funded at requested levels.
- 7 The DOH's guiding principles include:
- Implementing and maintaining core public health functions, including assessment,
- 9 policy, and assurance,

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- Satisfying federal mandates, including court-ordered settlements,
- Directing resources as problems that pose the greatest risk to the public's health and
   the environment,
- Dispersing appropriate and cost-effective resources geographically, and
- Providing services of last resort for uninsurable populations and where there is no other
   satisfactory alternative.

- 1 The DOH supports the Governor's Executive Budget Request and wishes to highlight several
- 2 priorities by Administration:
- 3 General Administration:
- AP-12 (HTH 907/AB) Add funds for moving and lease funds for the Department of
- 5 Health. This request is for funding for the move of staff in Kinau Hale to lease space.
- The Kinau Hale, the central office for DOH, can no longer be repaired or maintained and
- 7 is creating health and safety issues for staff. Funding is requested for relocation of staff
- 8 to leased space. (\$3,750,000 A, FY 26)
- AP-13 (HTH 760/MS) Add funds for the Office of Health Status Monitoring (OHSM)
- 10 Moving and Office Lease. OSHM is currently located in the Kinau Hale Building and
- needs to be relocated due to the deterioration of the building, jeopardizing records and
- equipment needed for the issuance of birth, death, and marriage certificates, as well as
- ongoing data collection related to health information. (\$821,000 A, FY26)
- B&F Adjustment (HTH 907/AP) Adds funds for continuation of the Healthcare Education
- Loan Repayment Program. (\$15,000,000 A, FY 26; \$15,000,000 A, FY 27)
- 16 Behavioral Health Administration:
- AP-1 (HTH 430/HQ) Add recurring funds for various contracts for the Hawaii State
- Hospital Locums Tenens approved under HB1800 for FY 25. (\$13,000,000 A, FY 26;
- 19 \$13,000,000 A, FY 27)
- AP-2 (HTH 430/HQ) Add funds to Cover Overtime and Other Payroll Costs for Hawaii
- 21 State Hospital. (\$8,650,000 A, FY 26)
- FY-9 (HTH 420/HG) Add full year funding for 10 Clinical Psychologist Positions for Adult
- 23 Mental Health Outpatient. (\$375,000 A, FY26; \$750,000 A FY27)

#### Environmental Health Administration: 1

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- AP-6 (HTH 840/FJ) Adds funds and 1.0 permanent Program Specialist VI position and 2 3 funds for the Program Planning and Development segment of the proposed Sustainable Materials Management Branch. (\$46,722 A, FY 26; \$93,444 A, FY 27)
- AP-11 (HTH 710/MB) Adds funds and 1.0 permanent clinical laboratory director to 5 ensure continued fulfilling of clinical laboratory licensing and certification requirements. 6 (\$83,000 A, FY 26; \$156,000 A, FY 27) 7
- AP-43 (HTH 840/FK) Adds funding and 2.0 positions and for the continuation of 8 supporting and facilitating cesspool conversions. (\$5,093,932 A, FY 26; \$187,864 A, FY 9 10 27)
- 11 AP-53 (HTH840/FG) Adds funds and 5.0 positions to enhance water monitoring and 12 management of water pollution control. (\$191,970 A, FY 26; \$383,940 A, FY 27)

#### Health Resources Administration: 13

- AP-3 (HTH 730/MQ) Add funds to meet Collective Bargaining requirements for service 14 15 provider contracted for 911 emergency ground ambulance (\$3,561,867 A, FY26; \$3,783,000 A, FY27) and for service provider contracted to provide 911 emergency 16 aeromedical ambulance service for the County of Maui (\$154,969 A, FY26; \$164,578 A, 17 FY27) 18
- AP-4 (HTH 730/MQ) Add recuring funds for second medic station and ambulance on the 19 island of Moloka'i. (\$1,600,000 A, FY26; \$1,600,000 A, FY27) 20
- AP-7 (HTH 560/CC) Convert 2.5 FTE positions of Hawaii Birth Defects Program, from 21 MOF Special Funds (B) to General (A) and add funds for operations. (\$340,444 A, FY26; 22 \$340,444 A, FY27) 23
- AP-8 (HTH 100/DG) Add funds to continue funding six Kalaupapa positions. (\$370,182 A, 24 25 FY26; \$439,368 A, FY27)

- AP-17 (HTH 131/DC) Change MOF N to A and Add Funds for 1.0 Public Health Program
   Manager and 1.0 Secretary II. Current federal administration priorities put funding for
   immunization services at risk. State funding for these positions ensures a minimum level
   of continuity of the state Immunization Program. (\$90,144 A, FY26; \$180,288 A FY27)
- AP-19 (HTH 720/MP) Add funds for contracted services for Case Management Agencies,
   Community Care Foster Family Homes, and Adult Day Care Centers. (\$111,127 A, FY26;
   \$111,127 A, FY27)
- AP-25 (HTH 730/MQ) Add positions (0.405/0.405) and funds to create 0.75 permanent
   Maui EMS Physician and 0.75 permanent Oahu EMS Physician. (\$89,329 A, FY26;
   \$89,329 A FY27)
- AP-27 (HTH 596/KM) Add funds for OMCCR for leased office space. (\$353,150 B, FY26;
   \$200,000 B FY27)
- B&F Adjustment (HTH 560/CK) Add funds for contract services for reproductive health
   and family planning. (\$3,000,000 A, FY26; \$3,000,000 A FY27)

## 15 Capital Improvement Projects:

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- CIP funding is being requested for the Kalaupapa Settlement for the following projects:
  - Project No 100231 Kalaupapa Settlement, Close Landfills & Install Synthetic
     Cover Layer at MSW Molokai (\$5,500,000 C, FY26)
  - Project No 100232 Kalaupapa Settlement, Care Home Improvements, Molokai (re-roof care home) (\$2,500,000 C, FY26)
  - Project No 100233 Kalaupapa Settlement, Remove underground storage tanks,
     Molokai (\$2,300,000 C, FY26)
  - CIP funding is being requested for Hawaii State Hospital for the following projects:
- o Project 430201-Hawaii State Hospital health and safety (\$3,150,000 C, FY26; \$5,750,000 C, FY 27)

1	o Project 430250-Repair chilled water line and related improvements (\$1,000,000				
2	C, FY26)				
3	o Project P23030-Water system improvements and other work (\$3,500,000 C,				
4	FY26)				
5	CIP funding is being requested for matching of Safe Drinking Water Revolving Funds:				
6	<ul> <li>Project 840227-Safe Drinking Water Revolving Fund (\$5,913,000 C, FY26;</li> </ul>				
7	\$5,913,000 C, FY27)				
8	<ul> <li>Project 840227-Safe Drinking Water Revolving Fund (\$29,558,000 N, FY26;</li> </ul>				
9	\$29,558,000 N, FY27)				
10	CIP funding is being requested for matching of Wastewater Treatment Revolving Funds:				
11	<ul> <li>Project 840228-Wastewater Treatment Revolving Fund (\$5,082,000 C, FY26;</li> </ul>				
12	\$5,082,000 C, FY27)				
13	o Project 840228- Wastewater Treatment Revolving Fund (\$25,406,000 N, FY26;				
14	\$25,406,000 N, FY27)				
15	The Executive Biennium Budget requests also include trade-off transfers requests which consist				
16	of housekeeping adjustments to reduce negative personal services adjustment budget lines and				
17	other housekeeping requests and align the budget to previously acknowledged reorganizations				
18	Federal fund adjustments are also being submitted to align the federal budget ceiling with				
19	updated actual and anticipated federal fund awards.				
20	We have analyzed our federal funding for risk of potential loss and impact, which we have				
21	provided to the Committee. While our budget includes converting a few critical positions from				
22	federal to general funds, our budget does not include requests to supplant federal funds that				
23	have not been lost, but yet may be.				

- 1 The DOH continues to address the health of our State through a combination of population
- 2 health management and strategic partnerships to address the needs of our most vulnerable
- 3 populations. We look forward to advancing Hawaii's health agenda through leveraging of
- 4 resources and capitalizing on health care reform options which support accessible, affordable,
- 5 and quality health care.
- 6 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA JUN YANG GOVERNOR'S HOMELESS COORDINATOR STATEWIDE OFFICE ON HOMELESSNESS & HOUSING SOLUTIONS

#### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 211, and Videoconference

## In Support House Bill No. 300 HD1, RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The Statewide Office on Homelessness and Housing Solutions (SOHHS) supports H.B. 300, HD1, Relating to the State Budget. We respectfully ask for your favorable consideration of the

H.B. 300, HD1 will allow SOHHS to continue the implementation of Kauhale initiatives across the state. Currently, we have 18 Kauhale active across the state and have a goal to establish 30 kauhale villages by the end of 2026. This was made possible by the generous support of the Hawai'i State Legislature which appropriated \$33 million for FY25 for kauhale initiatives. These projects directly support and house residents experiencing or at risk of homelessness. The request for \$50 million in the Executive Biennium Budget will develop new Kauhale programs and maintain operations, including critical wrap-around services for our unsheltered neighbors statewide.

As the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness, I am honored to further the important work of this office and the administration for the state. In 2024, the Green Administration set out with an ambitious goal of housing and sheltering half of our unsheltered homeless population by the end of 2026. I am confident that with this request, SOHHS will further expand deeply affordable housing inventory and supportive services for individuals experiencing homelessness through the state's Kauhale Initiative.

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Jun Yang Testimony on HB300, HD1, RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET Senate Committee on Ways and Means March 18, 2025 Page 2

envisioned as tiny homes communities or repurposed commercial, hotel, or apartment buildings, that respond to the unique needs of subpopulations experiencing homelessness. The model is built on the foundation of fostering community and responsibility among residents. Residents of Kauhale are provided access to robust wrap around services, including case management and medical care to build healthy and resilient communities that help people stay successfully housed long-term. This is what makes Hawaii and our kauhale initiatives different and unique.

SOHHS appreciates your consideration of our request to further our efforts to reduce and prevent homelessness across the state. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support on this measure.

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The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair The Honorable Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair and Members Committee on Ways and Means Hawaii State Capitol, Room 211 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki and Members:

Subject:

House Bill 300, HD1: Relating to the State Budget

The Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) supports House Bill (HB) 300, House Draft (HD) 1, specifically Item LNR 404 relating to SEQ#104-001 to add funds for Water Resources for hydrologic data collection, which appropriates funds to improve the State's water resource management and hydrologic data collection.

BWS strongly supports the maintenance and expansion of the Hawai'i Mesonet advanced weather and climate monitoring network and have assisted the University of Hawaii to add more weather stations on Oahu. Historical and near-real time weather data is essential for continued hydrologic research and monitoring climate change indicators, drought intensity that can exacerbate wildland fires, and early warning high rainfall events that cause localized flooding.

As the agency responsible for Oʻahu's municipal water supply, BWS depends on accurate climate data to ensure a safe, reliable, and affordable water supply. Increasing challenges from climate change, droughts, and shifting rainfall patterns make real-time environmental monitoring more critical than ever.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony in support of HB 300, HD1, Item LNR 404 relating to SEQ#104-001.

Very truly yours,

ERNEST Y. W. LAU, P.E. Manager and Chief Engineer



Parents And Children Together.org

# TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

**TO:** Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Moriwaki, & Members,

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Ryan Kusumoto, President & CEO DATE: March 18, 2025 at 10:00 AM

## Parents and Children Together (PACT) supports HB 300 HD1 Relating to the State Budget.

We submit this testimony as a member of the Hawai'i True Cost Coalition – over 70 community-based non-profit organizations fighting to sustain essential social services for our communities and as an organization concerned about our community, especially those struggling with systemic inequities.

Service providers work under the most challenging circumstances and must have specific skills to both engage individuals and navigate complex systems. They must be supported by high-quality organizations that are sustainable and state funding is an important part of that. State contracts that do not increase over time as operating costs increase make this important work unsustainable. Now is the time to invest in services that help people in vulnerable situations attain safety, economic security and good health. The social safety net needs your robust support.

Founded in 1968, PACT is a statewide community-based organization providing a wide array of innovative and educational social services to families in need. Assisting more than 15,000 people across the state annually, we help identify, address, and successfully resolve challenges through our 20 programs. Among our services are early education programs, domestic violence prevention and intervention programs, child abuse prevention and intervention programs, childhood sexual abuse supportive group services, child and adolescent behavioral health programs, sex trafficking intervention, poverty prevention and community building programs.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Please contact me at (808) 847-3285 or <a href="mailto:rkusumoto@pacthawaii.org">rkusumoto@pacthawaii.org</a> if you have any questions.



Aloha Legislators,

My name is Dr. Matthew Brink, I am the CEO of Malama Pono Autism Centers. I am writing in **support of HB300.** 

Children with special needs such as autism are among the most vulnerable in our communities. Funding and support for children with autism has remained stagnant in the State of Hawai'i for over a decade and has left our current Medicaid rates among the lowest in the country.

Medicaid has historically been the lowest funding source for autism services and as such those families are placed on waiting lists and denied access to much needed healthcare.

With the approved legislation increasing Med-Quest reimbursement rates this year, a renewed energy has built to finally meet the healthcare needs of the most vulnerable in Hawai'i. Without a continuance of this funding, these families will LOSE the services they just now finally have been able to access.

Thank you for your support of the vulnerable children with autism in our community. **Thank** you for your support of HB300.

Respectfully,

Dr. Matthew Brink

**CEO** 

Malama Pono Autism Center



#### COMMENTS ON HB 300 HD1: RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

TO: Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Tina Andrade, President and CEO, Catholic Charities Hawai'i **Hearing:** Tuesday, 3/18/25; 10:00 AM; Room 211or via videoconference

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members, Committee on Ways and Means:

Catholic Charities Hawai'i provides comments on HB 300 HD1, the state budget bill, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025–2026 and 2026–2027.

Catholic Charities Hawai'i (CCH) has provided social services in Hawai'i for over 77 years, assisting 40,000 people annually. Our services target the most vulnerable in Hawai'i, including elders, veterans, children, families, houseless individuals, and immigrants. As a member of the Hawai'i True Cost Coalition, we stand with over 70 organizations serving 500,000 residents.

Community-based agencies deliver essential services but face severe funding challenges. State funding has remained stagnant for over a decade, and potential federal cuts threaten their ability to serve. Without action, critical services relied upon by Hawai'i families are at risk, especially in the wake of crises like the Maui wildfires.

We urge decisive action to secure funding for essential services through the Department of Human Services, the Department of Health, and the Judiciary.

Catholic Charities Hawai'i also strongly supports the following budget items:

- HMS 224: Fund core homeless services in the base budget of DHS, including Housing First, Family Assessment Centers, Homeless Outreach, Legal Services, and Rapid Re-housing.
- **BED 160**: Allocate \$50 million annually to Tier 1 and \$75 million annually to Tier 2 of the Rental Housing Revolving Fund.
- GIA: Provide \$175,000 to Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center to support education, recreation, and social services that enable seniors to remain independent in our community.

Catholic Charities Hawai'i respectfully requests increased funding to reflect the true cost of sustaining health and human services for Hawai'i residents.

If you have any questions, please contact our Legislative Liaison, Betty Lou Larson, at (808) 527-4813.







Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC)
The Thirty-Third Legislature Regular Session of 2025

#### **COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS**

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

> Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. Hawaii State Capitol Conference Room 211

On behalf of Kahuku Medical Center and the wonderful people who trust us with their care, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your support in previous years. We support HB300 as written and we humbly seek your support for the bill as well. Funding will enable us to provide quality healthcare and equitable access to our Ko'olauloa communities. We believe these capital improvement projects will significantly enhance our organization and help us achieve our mission and vision of becoming integral to the total population health of the communities we proudly serve. We hope these pictures, along with the assurance that we are excellent stewards for the funding you provide, show the absolute need, and will encourage you to support our biennium funding requests.

1. \$475,000- Facility Plumbing Upgrades- The cast iron plumbing, installed in the 1970s, has exceeded its useful life and requires replacement throughout the facility. Failure to replace these plumbing lines could result in the cessation of vital healthcare services, posing significant health and safety risks.







2. \$825,000- Facility Electrical Upgrades- Ninety percent of the facility's electrical distribution system, installed in the 1970s, has surpassed its useful life and requires replacement. This includes panels, conduit, and wiring. Failure to address these issues could lead to the halting of vital healthcare services, posing significant health and safety risks.





**3. \$175,000- Fire Safety Upgrades**- The planned upgrades will encompass new sprinkler heads, fire annunciator panels, and valves. The existing equipment has exceeded its useful life and requires replacement. Neglecting these upgrades increases the fire safety risk for patients, staff, and visitors.







**4. \$200,000- Mechanical Pump/ Motor Replacement**- Mechanical pumps are used to pump potable and non-potable water, as well as chilled water for our chiller AC system throughout the facility. Pumps and motors need replacement. Failure to replace pumps will result in significant operational disruption throughout the hospital.





**5.** \$350,000- Solar Parking Lot Lighting- The existing outdoor lighting at Kahuku Medical Center has surpassed its useful lifespan and requires replacement. KMC is committed to enhancing energy efficiency and believes this project will contribute to Hawaii's renewable energy goals.







**6. \$875,000- Rothwell Wing Renovation**- The Rothwell Wing, constructed in the 1950s, has not seen any major renovations since its inception. Currently, the ceilings are open, revealing wiring and piping. Planned renovations will encompass new flooring, lighting, electrical, plumbing, carpentry, and painting.







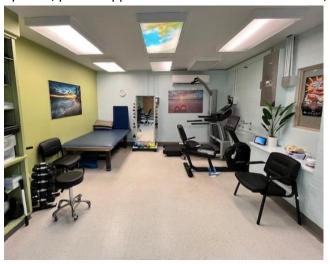
7. \$610,000- Dental Remodel- Kahuku Medical Center's Dental program has outgrown its original five-operatory clinic and urgently requires additional space. Due to these constraints, new patient appointments are scheduled five to six months out. Additionally, the lack of space forces employees to perform administrative tasks in the hallway.

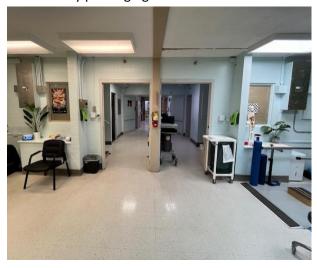




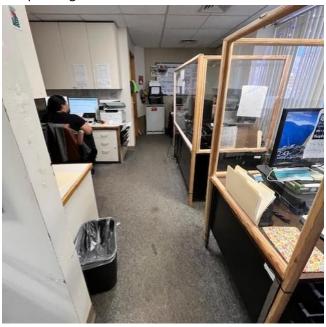


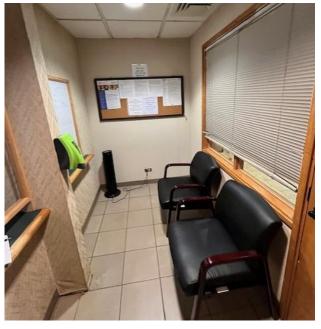
**8.** \$650,000- Rehabilitation Department Remodel- KMC's Rehabilitation Department currently operates in a 1,300 square foot space that was previously two operating rooms. The layout is inefficient and requires remodeling. Planned renovations include new flooring, lighting, electrical, plumbing, carpentry, and painting. Without these updates, patient appointment wait times will increase, unnecessarily prolonging rehabilitative care.





9. \$350,000- Business Office/ Registration Renovation- Business Office and Patient Registration spaces are original, built in the 1970's and in need of renovation. Renovations will include new flooring, lighting, electrical, carpentry and painting.





**10. \$800,000- Wellness Path and Gardens**- Kahuku Medical Center acknowledges the health benefits of sunlight and fresh air. To promote well-being, a walking path adorned with native trees and shrubs is planned for the enjoyment of both patients and employees.





**11. \$2,650,000- Emergency Room Expansion-** Kahuku Medical Center's Emergency Room is significantly undersized, treating around 800 patients each month. Due to these space constraints, makeshift beds and treatment areas are often set up in the hallways.







**12.** \$800,000- Facility Reroofing- The roof of Kahuku Medical Center, originally built in the 1970s, has undergone numerous repairs over the years and has now exceeded its useful lifespan. Persistent leaks throughout the facility pose health hazards, which can be significantly mitigated or eliminated by replacing the roof.







March 14, 2025

#### Testimony in Support of HB 300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget

Senate Committee on Ways and Means Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10 am Conference Room 211

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

Hawaii Dental Service (HDS) <u>strongly supports</u> HB 300 HD1, relating to the State Budget, specifically to re-establish the mandated State Oral Health Program which was removed in 2009.

Hawaii is one of eight states that does not maintain dedicated public dental health staff responsible for assessing and monitoring the population's oral health status, community needs, and infrastructure; oral health education; and working to reduce barriers to dental care as required by HRS §321-61 - 63. This statute states that the Hawaii State Department of Health must study and appraise the State's dental health needs and resources and shall foster the development and expansion of dental health services to the people of the State.

Hawaii's last statewide oral health assessment was conducted a decade ago in 2015, with Head Start data showing the highest rates of childhood tooth decay in the nation. It is imperative that we continue to assess the state of oral health in Hawaii so that we can develop effective programs to help improve oral health outcomes, especially for our keiki.

Preventable dental issues continue to drive high emergency room visits, and less than half of Medicaid-enrolled children receive preventive care. Investing in oral health will improve access, reduce costs, and create lasting change.

Dedicated oral health staff and resources at the Department of Health will help address the longstanding gaps in access to dental care and education and would provide the necessary expertise to drive targeted solutions, prioritize oral health, and improve outcomes for all Hawai'i residents.

HDS and the HDS Foundation urge your support for funding to restore the State Oral Health Program and help Hawaii residents achieve healthier smiles.

Sincerely,

**Dr. Diane S. L. Paloma**President and CEO

Drane Sylvalu

Hawaii Dental Service

#### HB-300-HD-1

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 9:40:00 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Louis Erteschik	Testifying for Hawaii Disability Rights Center	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Re: HTH 501 Developmental Disabilities

We wish to comment on this Budget Request

Twenty years ago our office entered into a Settlement Agreement in a lawsuit that we brought against the Developmental Disabilities Division which obligates them to annually assess the needs of the DD population and make specific efforts to secure a Budget that will adequately serve them.

We have reason to believe that they have failed to comply with the Settlement Agreement and have failed over the years to seek appropriate funding for the DD Home and Community Based Waiver. We say this in part because we have seen a growing decrease in the amount of services provided to waiver recipients as well as a tightening up of eligibility criteria. This has greatly impacted several of our clients. That would not occur if they were carrying out the terms of the Settlement.

We note that while the current request seeks an additional 10 million dollars we have been told that this is allocated to pay higher rates to providers. While we have no issue with providing sufficient incentives to DD providers, what is needed are sufficient funds to properly serve the ID/DD population.

We urge the Legislature to closely scrutinize the HTH 501 Budget Request and make necessary adjustments so that the State will comply with its legal obligation.

March 14, 2025

Senate's Committee on Ways and Means Hawai'i State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

Hearing: Thueady, March 18, 2025, at 10:00 AM

**RE: Strong Support for House Bill 300** 

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and committee members.

Pride at Work – Hawai'i is an official chapter of <u>Pride at Work</u> which is a national nonprofit organization that represents LGBTQIA+ union members and their allies. We are an officially recognized constituency group of the AFL-CIO that organizes mutual support between the organized Labor Movement and the LGBTQIA+ Community to further social and economic justice.

My name is Michael Golojuch, Jr. (he/him), and I submit this testimony on behalf of **Pride at Work - Hawai'i** in **strong support** of House Bill 300, which allocates critical funding for sexual and reproductive health care. This investment is essential to ensuring that providers across our state can continue delivering quality, comprehensive care to all who need it, regardless of income, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

## Investing in Sexual and Reproductive Health Care is an Investment in Our Communities

The inclusion of funding for sexual and reproductive health services in the state budget is crucial for the well-being of Hawai'i's residents. This funding supports clinics, community health centers, and reproductive health providers who offer essential services such as contraception, STI testing and treatment, gender-affirming care, cancer screenings, and abortion services. These services save lives and promote health equity by ensuring that all people—especially LGBTQIA+ individuals, low-income residents, and those in rural communities—can access the care they need.

#### The Cost of Inaction is Too Great

Failure to adequately fund these services will have devastating consequences for our communities. A lack of investment will force providers to reduce services, close clinics, and turn patients away. This disproportionately impacts marginalized communities, particularly LGBTQ+ individuals, who already face barriers to health care due to discrimination, financial hardship, and geographic limitations. Without this funding, our state risks increasing rates of unintended pregnancies, STIs, and other preventable health complications, exacerbating existing disparities.

#### **Protecting Bodily Autonomy and LGBTQIA+ Health**

At a time when attacks on bodily autonomy and LGBTQIA+ rights are escalating across the country, it is more important than ever for Hawai'i to stand as a leader in protecting access to sexual and reproductive health care. House Bill 300 is not just a budgetary measure—it is a declaration that our state values equity, dignity, and the right to make personal health care decisions.

Pride at Work - Hawai'i's Testimony is Strong Support of House Bill 300 - Reproductive Health Care

For these reasons, Pride at Work - Hawai'i urges the legislature to fully fund sexual and reproductive health care through House Bill 300. This investment is not just about dollars—it is about the lives and futures of Hawai'i's people. We ask for your leadership in ensuring that providers have the resources they need to continue their lifesaving work.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. We strongly urge you to pass HB 300 and ensure a healthier, more equitable future for all.

Mahalo nui loa for your time and consideration.

In solidarity,

Michael Golojuch, Jr. (he/him) President Pride at Work – Hawai'i



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# March 18, 2025 at 10:00 am Conference Room 211

#### **Senate Committee on Ways and Means**

To: Chair Donovan M. Dela Cruz

Vice Chair Sharon Y. Moriwaki

From: Hilton Raethel

President and CEO

Healthcare Association of Hawaii

Re: Support

HB 300 HD 1, Relating to the State Budget

The Healthcare Association of Hawaii (HAH), established in 1939, serves as the leading voice of healthcare on behalf of 170 member organizations who represent almost every aspect of the health care continuum in Hawaii. Members include acute care hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, home health agencies, hospices, assisted living facilities and durable medical equipment suppliers. In addition to providing access to appropriate, affordable, high-quality care to all of Hawaii's residents, our members contribute significantly to Hawaii's economy by employing over 30,000 people statewide.

We are writing today to strongly support continued investment in essential workforce and healthcare programs. In particular, we would like to highlight an additional two years of funding to continue proven healthcare workforce development programs for high school students and current nurses. This request is largely similar to funding that the legislature passed in Act 89, SLH 2024, which has already been deployed to support these innovative programs that are critical to addressing the persistent workforce shortages in healthcare. In our organization's most recent demand survey, we found that there are nearly 4,700 openings for non-physician, patient-facing positions in the state's hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, and other healthcare settings. The need for entry-level positions, especially certified nurse aides (CNAs), continues to grow as our population ages.

In 2023, the high school certificate programs supported 105 students working to get certified as CNAs, phlebotomists, medical assistants, and patient service representatives at 14 schools across the state. Students in the program saw a 98 percent completion rate with a 74 percent employment rate, a significant improvement from previous years due to the heavy employer involvement and wrap-around services. Over the same time period, the CNA to LPN glidepath supported approximately 40 individuals to continue working full-time while pursuing their education and licensure as LPNs over a year-long course that allows them to increase their

salaries by 50 percent at the end and provide higher-level support in our long-term care facilities.

Healthcare employers have invested heavily in these programs by providing clinicians to teach courses, investing in hands-on training opportunities for high school students, and offering stipends to participants, particularly in the glidepath program, to ensure they are compensated as if working full-time. Our organization has also provided significant staffing resources to recruit students, coordinate programs, and secure federal, state, and private funding to keep everything running smoothly. Importantly, for this program, there is a plan to fully fund the programs privately at the end of two years. This funding is needed to continue the momentum of the programs while ensuring that a permanent funding source is established through healthcare employers and other relevant stakeholders.

We also support the loan repayment program, which is crucial for attracting and retaining healthcare professionals in Hawaii. The high cost of living and significant educational debt are major barriers for healthcare workers who might otherwise choose to practice in the state. By continuing to fund loan repayment programs, the legislature can help incentivize professionals to work in underserved areas and ensure that critical healthcare needs are met statewide.

Another essential provision in this bill is the proposal to make permanent the increase in reimbursements to professionals billing under Medicaid to 100% of the Medicare rate. Medicaid plays a critical role in providing health coverage for a significant portion of Hawaii's population, including half of the children in the state. Since the COVID-19 pandemic began in 2020, Medicaid enrollment has risen significantly, with nearly one-third of all residents now in the program, highlighting its importance in ensuring access to healthcare for those most in need.

However, many Medicaid recipients continue to face challenges in obtaining timely and adequate care, particularly from specialists. One of the primary barriers to care is the shortage of healthcare providers, especially in rural areas. In 2022, Hawaii faced a shortage of more than 750 full-time physicians and nearly 4,000 patient-facing healthcare professionals, with the shortage particularly pronounced among specialists. A key factor contributing to these gaps is the disparity in reimbursement rates between Medicaid and other payers, such as Medicare and private insurance. Lower Medicaid reimbursement rates have discouraged provider participation, limiting the number of specialists who accept Medicaid patients. This lack of participation results in restricted access to specialized services, delays in care, and worsening health outcomes for Medicaid recipients.

The legislature's 2023 decision to increase Medicaid reimbursement rates to 100% of Medicare rates has already made a significant impact, helping to cover the costs of care for providers, especially in rural areas, and ensuring that more residents receive timely and needed care. This step also brought nearly \$85 million in federal funds to support healthcare access in the state. Making this increase permanent is critical to addressing healthcare inequities, encouraging provider participation, and sustaining access to care for Medicaid patients.

Additionally, we strongly support making permanent the ceiling for the nursing and hospital sustainability programs. These programs have been instrumental in stabilizing funding for hospitals and nursing facilities, which are critical to delivering care to communities across Hawaii. By maintaining these programs, the state demonstrates its commitment to safeguarding the healthcare infrastructure that so many residents depend on. While this provision is brief in its language, its impact is substantial, ensuring that these facilities can continue to operate effectively and meet the growing demands of patient care.

We note that the current version of this measure would make both the programmatic special fund (found in HMS 401) and the administrative portion of the special fund (found in HMS 902) non-recurring. We understand that there may be some questions over the status of federal health programs, and the ceiling authorized by the bill. We would note that the uncertainty at the federal level is a key reason why the special fund should be made recurring. Without this program, the state would lose the ability to use these provider fees to fund both programmatic and administrative costs without using general funds and use every lever available to us to appropriately fund services for Medicaid enrollees. Further, the levels authorized in the funding bill would allow us to fully maximize whatever benefits the state could realize from the program and ensuring that any available fees are used to draw down additional federal funds without having other rely on state general revenues.

In summary, these provisions are not merely budgetary decisions—they represent strategic investments in the health and well-being of our residents. Making Medicaid reimbursement increases permanent, supporting the nursing and hospital sustainability programs, and prioritizing workforce initiatives are all essential to strengthening Hawaii's healthcare system. We respectfully urge you to support these measures and pass the budget bill with these critical components intact. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony, and I am happy to answer any questions you may have.



To: Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Hearing Date/Time: Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM

Place: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 211 Re: Testimony in SUPPORT of HB300 HD1

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and the Members of Committee,

Members of AAUW of Hawai'i thank you for this opportunity to testify in support of \$3 million family planning monies in the state budget. This fund would ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing essential health care services including reproductive health care.

AAUW trusts that everyone can make their own informed choices about their reproductive lives and that these deeply personal decisions should be made without government interference. **Access to family planning** and a full range of reproductive health services leads to improvements in women's health and economic security.

While we are fortunate to have strong state laws protecting reproductive rights, many Medicaid patients have been systematically excluded from access to reproductive health care and with the threats to federal funding cuts to Medicaid, the low-income and underinsured women are facing a dire reality.

Therefore, the members of AAUW of Hawai'i strongly support funding \$3 million for family planning in the state budget. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Younghee Overly AAUW of Hawai'i Public Policy Committee

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) of Hawai'i is an all-volunteer, statewide chapter of a national organization and is made up of six branches: Hilo, Honolulu, Kaua'i, Kona, Maui, and Windward O'ahu. AAUW's mission is to advance gender equity through research, education, and advocacy. Our goal is economic security for women in Hawai'i.

## HB-300-HD-1

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:13:49 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Dave Olsen	Testifying for ethical environmental consulting	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I'm opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i.

To suggest that the idea of infecting mosquitos for release anywhere, much less on these incredible islands, is insane is a giant understatement.

Please give your heads a shake. Your role is to STOP dangerous behaviour, NOT fund it.

No amount of bribery can justify putting our families and friends at risk. Please act accordingly.

Sincerely,

**Dave Olsen** 



#### **OUR MISSION**

To support and advance public policies that make Hawai'i affordable for all working families.

#### **OUR VISION**

Collaborative, sustainable, and evidence-based public policies that create a diverse and sustainable Hawai'i economy, an abundance of quality job opportunities, and a future where all working families living in Hawai'i can thrive.

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Committee: Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Bill Number: HB 300 HD1, Relating to The State Budget
Hearing Date and Time: March 18, 2025, 10:00am (Room 211)

Re: Testimony of Holomua Collaborative - Support

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony **in support** of HB300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget. In particular, Holomua Collaborative writes in support of three items in the budget:

- \$1,750,000 for FY 26 for the Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) to conduct a civil service position classification and compensation study;
- 2. Adds \$338,150 for FY 26 and \$1,343,400 for FY 27 for consultant services to maintain Tax System Modernization (TSM) projects; and
- Adds 6.00 permanent positions and \$282,296 for FY 26 and 6.00 permanent positions and \$564,592 for FY 27 for the Department of Taxation (DOTAX) to establish a Tax System Modernization Office and integrate the Internal Revenue Services' Direct File Project with TSM.

In October 2024, a survey¹ gathering information about the day-to-day financial experience of local workers was released, and it suggests that the high cost of living and resulting outmigration is a growing crisis that has the potential to reach staggering levels. When nearly 1,500 local workers were asked if they may need to move to a less expensive state, only thirty-one percent answered a definitive "no," while sixty-nine percent said "yes" or "unsure." Each local worker and family we lose to the continent contributes to a loss of our economy, our culture, and our family.

Many factors contribute to the high cost of living in the state, and Holomua Collaborative is devoted to finding ways to keep all local working families in Hawai'i by making sure they can afford to stay. Each of the budget requests identified above represent a way to help families stay in Hawai'i.

#### **Civil Service Position Classification and Compensation Study**

State government jobs are categorized and filled via 1,400+ civil service position classifications, which form the basis for 17,000+ position descriptions. This system and the 1,400+ position descriptions are outdated in terms of structure, requirements, and compensation, and need to be modernized to reflect current workforce needs and attract a broader pool of applicants. The DHRD budget request detailed above will accomplish this.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://holomuacollective.org/survey/



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As of November 2024, the State government had a job vacancy rate of 24%.<sup>2</sup> with nearly 31% of employees eligible to retire within five years.<sup>3</sup> The large vacancy rate contributes to less efficient government operations and services, including delayed delivery of services relied upon by neighbors in need, such as SNAP, MedQuest, and Unemployment Insurance. Furthermore, as long as the position classifications and compensation remain outdated, our local workforce will be less inclined to seek out and apply for State jobs over better opportunities on the continent. With so many vacancies available and the volume of outmigration we face, making State employment a competitive and attractive choice is an efficient investment that will pay dividends in our future.

## Maintain Tax System Modernization (TSM) projects, establishing a TSM Office, and Integrating the Internal Revenue Services' Direct File Project with TSM

On average, taxpayers spend approximately 13 hours and \$270 preparing their taxes each year. A significant number of these taxpayers are low-income workers using feebased tax preparers such as TurboTax and H&R Block. This reduces the amount of money they may get back in tax credits on preparation services. A free program from the Internal Revenue Service, Direct File, is currently available for families to prepare and file federal and/or state taxes in twenty-five states. The Department of Taxation (DOTAX) already uses the same vendor as the participating states.

Including funding in the State budget for expanding access to Direct File for the use of residents to file their taxes could save Hawai'i taxpayers \$34.6M in filing fees annually and deliver \$83.1M in total value to Hawai'i taxpayers, between filing fees, the time cost of filing, and additional federal credits claimed. Fincluding the funding for the maintenance of the Tax System Modernization (TSM) projects is necessary to have an e-filing option to integrate with Direct File.

We urge you to support these budget requests to make life in Hawai'i a little easier for all our neighbors.

Sincerely,

Joshua Wisch

**President & Executive Director** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 2024 State of Hawai'i Act 57, SLH 2019, Vacancy Report, page 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id.* at page 6.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> IRS Direct File Service, https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/inflation-reduction-act/irs-direct-file-service.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Gabriel Zucker and Bharat Ramamurti, Economic Security Project, "The Impact of Direct File – by the Numbers", page 13, March 11, 2024.

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Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ronald Weidenbac	Testifying for Hawaii Aquaculture and Aquaponics Association	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

The Hawaii Aquaculture and Aquaponics Association (HAAA) strongly support the inclusion of \$5.5 million for Waimānalo CARES Center and \$6 M for Magoon Research and Teaching Station to support the upkeep, repair and maintenance, and much needed improvements at these UHM/CTAHR research facilities to advance Hawai'i's diversified agriculture industry including aquaculture and aquaponics. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this needed funding.



#### WE LOVE WHAT WE DO

Committee on Ways and Means Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

> Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE Conference Room 211 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

#### **SUPPORT** HB300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Honorable Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony in **support of the budget appropriation for maintaining increased QUEST provider rates for applied behavior analysis (ABA)** submitted in the Executive Budget for DHS.

BAYADA is a not-for-profit health care company committed to serving our community. We provide services across the state, with behavioral health services for QUEST members on Oahu and Maui.

As a behavioral health service provider, we have struggled to meet the needs of children with autism on Med-QUEST due to the increased costs of operating a business without increased rates for our services. QUEST rates for the coverage of intensive behavioral therapy (IBT) for treatment of children under 21 years of age with autism spectrum disorder (ASD), also referred to as ABA, were set in 2015 and had not increased, despite the increased costs of living and increased costs for employers over the last 8 years. Wages have gone up nearly 30% since 2015 in Hawai'i, forcing businesses to shoulder the cost without proportionate rate increases, making it harder to attract candidates and businesses to the field of supporting individuals with autism and their families.

We appreciate the efforts taken by this committee in 2024 to include funding for increased rates for ABA QUEST funded services. These funds were nonrecurring, only providing an increase for 2025, therefore it is imperative we pass additional legislation in this 2025 session to maintain these rates. It is imperative that the rates be maintained now, before any potential cuts to Medicaid.

ABA services are healthcare services for children mandated by Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) under Medicaid and are specific to children under 21, which will likely help in maintaining this program regardless of



potential federal cuts. At this point, healthcare related payments, and specifically those for children, are not in the category of funds being targeted by the federal administration.

Without the increased rates, we are not able to adequately serve the children with autism and their families who need us. As an organization, our values are compassion, excellence, and reliability; however, due to difficulties in attracting and retaining staff we find ourselves troubled that we cannot consistently deliver these values to our clients. Currently, we must maintain a waitlist for clients to access services because there is more demand than we are able to meet with our current providers. At our Oahu location, 40% of those on our waitlist are QUEST members. At our Maui location, 66% are QUEST members. We closed our Big Island and Kauai insurance-based services, despite ongoing community need, due to losses based on unsustainable rates in 2018. These waitlists are only representative of our organization and are similar across providers.

The increased rates approved in last year's legislative session were published by Med-QUEST for use beginning 01/01/2025 but then required each provider work with the managed care organization (MCO) administering the QUEST benefit to members to work out these new rates within their provider contracts. At this point, we have just started services under the increased rates for two of the health plans (three remaining) and therefore cannot yet report on data from the anticipated positive impact to staff hiring and retention and increased access to services for families on our waitlists.

We respectfully request the Committee maintain funds for QUEST ABA rates in DHS's budget as part of this bill.

Mahalo,

Kristen Koba-Burdt, BCBA, LBA, CDP BAYADA Behavioral Health

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Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
christina	Testifying for Mau Loa Learning LLC	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.



#### TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

## HB 300, HD1 Relating to the State Budget

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211

Jimmy D. Alberts
Senior Vice President & Chief Operations Officer
Hawaiian Electric

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Jimmy D. Alberts and I am submitting written testimony on behalf of Hawaiian Electric in strong support of HB 300, HD1, Relating to the State Budget.

Hawaiian Electric strongly supports continued funding for program number LNR404, for the Hawai'i Mesonet, a statewide network of advanced weather stations that provides high-resolution climate data that can improve wildfire prevention and response. In the wake of recent devastating wildfires across the islands, it is clear that Hawai'i urgently needs better fire weather monitoring to protect lives, communities, and critical infrastructure. As recent events in Hawai'i and California have demonstrated, dry, windy conditions, exacerbated by prolonged drought and strong downslope winds can have deadly consequences. A lack of timely, localized weather data makes it difficult for emergency responders to anticipate the potential ignition and spread of wildfires. In these and other events, timely, site-specific wind speed, humidity, and temperature data could have helped first responders, utilities, and emergency managers make better-informed, life-saving decisions. Hawai'i's fire risk is increasing as drought conditions intensify across the islands. While Hawaiian Electric is expanding its own

weather monitoring network, we welcome and encourage the development of the Hawai'i Mesonet.

As part of potential funding through HB 300, HD1, Hawaiian Electric encourages Hawai'i Mesonet to enhance the data transmission frequency of its weather stations from 15 minutes to 10 minutes, which would allow the data to become more timely. Together, the data provided are critically important for: (1) Monitoring Fire Weather Conditions – Mesonet stations provide continuous, publicly accessible updates on wind speeds, humidity, and fuel moisture levels; (2) Guiding Wildfire Mitigation Strategies – utilities need accurate wind and weather forecasts to assess whether power lines should be de-energized in high-risk areas during extreme fire weather conditions; and (3) Improving Emergency Response – data allows firefighters to anticipate potential fire weather conditions and allocate resources effectively.

Hawaiian Electric is committed to minimizing wildfire risk and recognizes that better weather monitoring is essential to this effort. Investing in the Hawai'i Mesonet will provide utilities, first responders, and communities with additional tools necessary to mitigate future fire disasters and build a more resilient Hawai'i.

Accordingly, Hawaiian Electric supports HB 300, HD1 and urge the Legislature to fund this critical program. Thank you for this opportunity to submit written testify.



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March 16, 2025

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair, and Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means State Capitol, 415 S. Beretania St. Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee,

The East O'ahu County Farm Bureau, which represents approximately 420 farmers and supporters of agriculture from Waimānalo to Kahuku, strongly supports the inclusion of funding for the Waimānalo CARES Center and the Magoon Research and Teaching Station in HB 300 HD1, the proposed State budget bill. U.H. CTAHR is a critical resource for Hawaii's diversified agriculture industry, and this appropriation will support much-needed improvements to CTAHR's research and teaching facilities.

If approved, the Waimānalo appropriation would provide \$5.5 million for planning, design and construction of the Waimānalo Research and Extension (CARES) Station, including repair, maintenance and demolition of buildings and Phase 1 re-design. The Waimānalo station has been an important resource, providing educational opportunities for students interested in pursuing agricultural careers, as well as frequent workshops presenting the results of CTAHR research to local farmers. However, funding for improvements and maintenance is badly needed, as buildings at the Waimānalo station are nearing the end of their useful lives and need major repairs or replacement.

The Magoon appropriation would provide \$6 million to design, support, and equip a controlled-environment agriculture innovation facility at the Magoon Research and Teaching Station in Mānoa. Controlled-environment agriculture is ideal for Hawai'i, as it can be highly productive while using less land and water than open-field agriculture, protecting crops from pests and diseases with the use of enclosures rather than pesticides, and reducing runoff of fertilizers. We therefore encourage your Committee to support Hawai'i's diversified agriculture by including these proposed appropriations in the 2025 State budget.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter of great importance to Hawai'i's farmers and ranchers.

Sincerely,

Frederick M. Mencher for Grant Hamachi, President

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March 18, 2025

## HEARING BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

## TESTIMONY ON HB 300, HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Conference Room 211 & Videoconference 10:00 AM

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

I am Brian Miyamoto, Executive Director of the Hawai'i Farm Bureau (HFB). Organized since 1948, the HFB is comprised of 1,800 farm family members statewide and serves as Hawai'i's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate, and advance the social, economic, and educational interests of our diverse agricultural community.

The Hawai'i Farm Bureau respectfully submits testimony in support of HB 300, HD1, with a request for funding allocations that will support Hawaii's agricultural industry.

Hawaii's agricultural industry faces increasing challenges, including high operational costs, labor shortages, and climate-related disruptions. Strategic investments in infrastructure, research, and economic support programs are essential to ensure local food production's viability, reduce import dependency, and enhance the state's overall food security.

HFB respectfully requests the inclusion of the following HFB funding priorities in the state budget:

**AGR 122:** \$19.8 million for the Biosecurity Program: Invasive species have become one of the most devastating problems impacting Hawai'i. Many invasive species are damaging Hawai'i's environment and economy. Hawai'i's farmers and ranchers face ongoing challenges from invasive pests such as the coconut rhinoceros beetle, little fire ant, coffee berry borer, two-lined spittlebug, macadamia felted coccid, and varroa mite. These pests cause significant damage to crops, increase production costs, and threaten the viability of local agriculture. Once established, invasive species are costly and difficult to control, making prevention and early intervention essential.

Proper funding for DOA is critical for protecting Hawai'i's environment and economy and the health and lifestyle of its people through the support of invasive species prevention,

control, research, outreach, and planning. Funding permanent biosecurity positions ensures that DOA has the necessary personnel to conduct critical inspections, enforce quarantine regulations, and implement pest management programs. A well-staffed biosecurity team improves the state's ability to detect and mitigate threats before they cause irreversible harm to Hawai'i's farms and ecosystems.

**BED 170:** \$2.5 million for the Waiahole Water System: The Waiahole Water System serves over 5,600 acres of agricultural land on Oahu, providing critical irrigation for diversified farming operations. This funding request seeks to pay off the bond debt service on the system and repair the aging adit 8 tunnel, which is essential to maintaining water delivery. Continued operation and maintenance of this system are necessary for long-term agricultural viability in Central and Leeward Oahu.

**UH 100:** \$5 million for Waimānalo Research Station: As part of a statewide network of agricultural experimental stations, the Waimānalo facility plays a key role in agricultural research and farmer education. It supports research on specialty crops, tropical fruits, sustainable farming techniques, and organic production. Unfortunately, many of the station's facilities are deteriorating and need repair. Without modernization, the station's ability to support Hawai i's agricultural community will be severely limited. Upgrading critical infrastructure will enhance research opportunities, attract external funding, and improve outreach to local farmers and ranchers.

**UH 100:** \$6 million for Magoon Research Station: A demand exists to address the need for a comprehensive approach to controlled-environment agriculture (CEA) and building a state-of-the-art CEA research and demonstration facility. Controlled-environment agriculture (CEA) technologies—such as hydroponics, aquaponics, aeroponics, and vertical farming—offer efficient, sustainable, and climate-resilient solutions for food production in Hawaii. A dedicated research and demonstration facility will provide a hub for agricultural innovation, allowing scientists and farmers to test and refine new growing techniques, water conservation strategies, and energy-efficient production systems. Incorporating these funding requests into the state budget aligns with the Legislature's priorities of supporting local agriculture, strengthening food security, and fostering economic sustainability. Each of these investments will contribute to a more resilient and self-sufficient agricultural sector, ultimately benefiting Hawaii's economy, environment, and communities.

**AGR 192:** \$5 million for the Farm to Families Program: Hawai'i faces persistent food security challenges, with many families experiencing limited access to fresh, locally grown food. At the same time, local farmers and ranchers struggle with unpredictable markets and barriers to expanding food distribution. The Farm to Families program presents a winwin solution by linking local food production with communities in need, ensuring that Hawai'i's agricultural products are used to feed Hawai'i's people.

We appreciate the committee's consideration of these critical funding requests.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.



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Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Tuesday, March 18, 2025; 10:00 AM Conference Room 211 & Videoconference 415 South Beretania Street

RE: HB 300 HD1 – Relating to the State Budget – SUPPORT

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of HB 300 HD1, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

Hunt Development Group is in support of CIP Item No. 17.00 under BED15O Hawaii Community Development Authority that seeks \$1,000,000 to prepare a programmatic environmental impact statement to cover infrastructure projects, development and master plan implementation in Kalaeloa Community Development District (KCDD).

In 2022 and 2023, the Legislature appropriated funds for electrical improvements along Saratoga Avenue. Critical infrastructure improvements are needed in Kalaeloa to support new development projects, renovations and improvements.

Hunt Development Group, in connection with its 535-acre portion of HCDA's 3,700-acre Kalaeloa Master Plan, partnered with Gentry Homes to bring the first 389 new for-sale homes for local families to Kalaeloa, as well as completed construction on the new, 98,000 square foot state-of-the-art VA ALOHA medical clinic.

These were made possible, in part, by Hunt Companies taking on the long-needed upgrades to the infrastructure and operations of the water utility in Kalaeloa, followed by launching more than \$35 million of roadway and utility infrastructure that provide benefit to the entire region.

There is much more to be done in terms of roadways, regional connections, utilities, and additional water and power infrastructure to make Kalaeloa the vibrant new addition for West Oahu families that is envisioned by HCDA's Master Plan. This capital improvement appropriation to prepare a programmatic environmental impact statement is a vital initial step to that dream becoming reality.

We appreciate your efforts to help spur much needed infrastructure to support community development in Kalaeloa.



#### Aloha Chair Dela Cruz,

My name is Liam Chinn and I live in Honolulu. As a member of the Reimagining Public Safety in Hawai'i Coalition, I support a state budget that increases investments in services and programs that build safe and healthy communities.

We are respectfully requesting that you significantly increase investments in the following areas, which are proven by research and data to dramatically increase safety by diverting residents out of the criminal justice system and addressing the root causes of poverty, crime, and violence.

- Permanent supportive housing and transitional housing
- Community based mental health services
- Youth programs
- Vocational/employment training for living wage jobs
- Restorative Justice and Ho'oponopono

At least 40% of all people in jail in Hawai'i are homeless. There is consensus among justice system actors-including judges, prosecutors, and service providers- that people suffering from mental illness and substance abuse disorder should be diverted out of jail and into treatment and housing. This would dramatically shrink the jail population, **but to succeed**, **the state must fund diversion infrastructure**.

We are also in a time of fiscal crisis, and the state cannot afford to adequately fund diversion while also spending enormous amounts on expanding jails and prisons. Given this reality, please remove appropriations for the following projects.

- \$30 MIL for planning and design of OCCC jail
- \$10 for DCR Statewide Master Plan
- Millions more for jail and prison expansion

As our elected representatives, you have the opportunity to finally move our state past the failed approach of funding more policing and incarceration which has not made us safer, toward the proven strategy of funding services and programs that address the root causes of poverty, crime, and violence.

Mahalo,

Liam Chinn



To: Hawai'i Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Hearing Date/Time: Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Place: Hawai'i State Capitol, Rm. 211 and videoconference

Re: Testimony of Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates, Hawai'i in support of HB 300, HD1 - funding

for sexual and reproductive health care

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee,

Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates urges you to support sexual and reproductive health care in the budget and continue our state's legacy of leadership of protecting access to family planning services and abortion care. Patients and providers are relying on lawmakers to hold the line. To maintain patients' access to safety net family planning services, we request the 2025-27 operating budget general funds includes \$3 million in sustainability funding to Planned Parenthood and \$4.4 million to backfill Title X should the Trump Administration reimplement the domestic gag rule (\$7.4 total over the biennium). We also encourage the legislature to prepare for potential additional devastating cuts from the Trump Administration and Congress, including banning federal Medicaid funds for gender affirming care and for Planned Parenthood.

Safety net family providers are facing the perfect storm of rising health care and labor costs, workforce shortages, and increased patient volumes. Providers across the state are struggling to keep up, leading to clinic closures, layoffs, and reduction of services. Safety net providers continue to face financial losses that have only deepened since the fall of *Roe v. Wade*, and we anticipate the Trump Administration will make a dire situation worse.

PPAA is requesting \$3 million over two years to support PPGNHAIK's Oahu and Maui health centers with sustainability funding to help our health centers stay afloat. Planned Parenthood is the leading safety net family planning provider in Hawai'i, and our clinics are facing significant financial losses every year due to low reimbursement rates, inadequate family planning funding over the past decade, COVID and the related loss of savings, and inflation and rising costs across the board in the health care sector. Our patient mix also means we often are serving patients who are low income or underinsured and receive discounted or free care, which we often offset and subsidize. With current funding levels, we lose approximately \$250 for every patient who walks in our doors. This funding would allow us to maintain patients' access to care, competitive wages for our staff, health center maintenance, invest in our expanded telehealth program, and maintain other logistical support.

In the coming months, we also anticipate the lawmakers in Washington, D.C. will take dramatic action to gut access to sexual and reproductive health. These attacks include reimplementing the domestic gag rule and forcing Hawai'i providers out of the Title X family planning program; barring Planned Parenthood from serving Medicaid patients; banning federal Medicaid coverage of gender affirming care; and attempting to ban or severely restrict abortion nationwide. **These are existential threats to safety net family planning providers and patients, even here in Hawai'i.** Other providers would be unable to absorb the thousands of patients who rely on safety net providers for care, leading to increased unintended

pregnancies, higher rates of sexually transmitted infections, poorer health outcomes, and denied life-saving preventive care.

Anticipating the reimplementation of the Title X gag rule, **safety net family planning providers are also requesting \$4.4 over two years to backfill lost federal Title X funding.** Title X funds provide a broad range of discounted family planning services and some STI services to thousands of patients in our state under 250% of the Federal Poverty Level, with a sliding fee scale that slides down to zero. Title X is primarily for folks who fall into insurance gaps or are underinsured – this includes those who are ineligible for Medicaid but who cannot afford insurance or those who cannot use insurance for privacy reasons, like young people, military members, or survivors of intimate partner violence. Family planning clinics that rely on Title X funds are often the main source of health care for people of color, LGBTQ+ individuals, and people living in rural or geographically isolated areas.

Sexual and reproductive health care is one of the most powerful and cost-effective investments Hawai'i can make. For every \$1 invested in family planning, our state saves at least \$7 on unintended pregnancy costs and long-term social service costs that can be routed to other critical services. Safety net family planning providers cannot continue to serve patients at present levels without this continued investment. And any lack of investment in the family planning safety net care only exacerbates the disparities experienced by Medicaid patients, who are disproportionately Black, Indigenous and Native, and Latinx due to centuries of racist health care policies.

Our state should invest in services that ultimately lower costs and protect our most historically marginalized communities. Our ability to ensure Hawai'i's financial stability depends on making smart investments that support our communities and keep people healthy. Reproductive freedom is a clear value of Hawai'i, and our state must continue to lead by maintaining funding to keep safety net providers serving patients.

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# Testimony of The Nature Conservancy Supporting HB300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget. Committee on Ways and Means March 18, 2025 at 10:00am Conference Room 211 and via Videoconference

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) Hawai'i and Palmyra supports funding to enhance, protect, conserve, restore and manage Hawaii's natural resources in HB300, especially the line items expressed below.

1. TNC supports the DLNR and the Governor's request for LNR401 Ecosystem Protection, Restoration, and Fisheries Management.

These investments in programs to support our marine and coastal resources will ensure that the reefs that line our coasts, which are environmental, economic, recreational, and cultural treasures, will continue to support our island lifestyle and livelihoods. Each year, our reefs provide flood protection to people, property, and jobs valued at more than \$836 million, support nearshore fisheries worth \$13.4 million, and contribute more than \$1.2 billion through reef-related tourism to the state's economy. We must continue to make the vital investments to protect and sustainably manage our aquatic resources.

2. TNC supports the DLNR and the Governor's request for LNR404 Water Resources, which funds the Commission on Water Resource Management Hawai'i Mesonet (SEQ# 104-001).

The Hawai'i Mesonet informs disaster preparedness and response, climate research and forecasts and long-term environmental monitoring through a network of sensing equipment strategically located throughout Hawai'i. One such sensor is located at TNC's Waikamoi Preserve and is linked directly to the National Weather Service. Accurate weather data, including wind, precipitation and humidity, directly informs management of Waikamoi Preserve. For example, our team uses this data to predict where the integrity of predator fencing may be compromised, which is critical to the overall health of the landscape. Long-term data is needed to track changes in climate that affect our forests and oceans, and the Mesonet network fills gaps that allow for climate and water modelers to make better predictions about our water resources.

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3. TNC supports the DLNR and the Governor's Message request for LNR407 Natural Area Reserves & Watershed Management.

These funds provide critical funding that provides long-term conservation of watershed forests statewide. These investments help reduce erosion, prevent extinction of endangered species, increase carbon storage in native forests, and protect Hawai'i's fresh water. Forested watersheds provide Hawai'i with drinking water, cultural resources, and are home to unique plants and wildlife found nowhere else in the world. Protection is needed to safeguard these invaluable resources in the face of threats such as invasive species and climate change. Continuing investment in these vital resources will have immense long-term impacts for our forests and far beyond.

4. TNC supports the DLNR and the Governor's Capital Improvement Plan request for \$1,750,000 in FY 26 for Pohakea Fire Prevention and Suppression Infrastructure.

Three watersheds including Pohakea, Waikapu, and Waiakoa all flow into Ma'alaea Bay, which once supported unique limu and coral reef habitat on the leeward Maui coastline. Stormwater infrastructure modifications, increased ungulate presence and fire have led to big mud slides entering the bay during storms. Hui o ka Wai Ola data show that the bay is impaired from turbidity, and working to protect the mauka watershed is key to restoring ecosystem health. Fire and erosion control at Ma'alaea is needed to contain wildfires at this ignition hotspot and prevent them from spreading. The State's proposal would leverage federal funds to replace high fuel load invasive vegetation with native plants adapted for riparian green belts. The strategic restoration of these fire-prone lands provides important cost-effective protections for life and property in nearby Ma'alaea Village. The proposed improvements would hold back sediments from reaching the unique and valuable Ma'alaea coral reefs and harbor, thereby saving on future restoration costs.

5. TNC supports DNLR and the Governor's Operating Budget request for \$3,000,000 in FY26 for West Maui fire prevention: Ukumehame Wetland and Stream, Maui.

Besides providing habitat for endangered water birds and other native plant and animal species, the Ukumehame Wetland serves as hazard mitigation for environmental threats such as lowland wildfire, coastal flooding and upland erosion, protecting coastlines and the precious 939-acre Olowalu coral reef system. These wetlands are degraded from sugar-era land use and draining, and once provided key habitat for wetland birds, plants, insects and fish, as documented through 'olelo, photos, wetland surveys and historical maps. Restoration of Ukumehame Wetlands is positioned for success as the lands designated for the project are generally undeveloped and already under state jurisdiction, and the investment will unlock additional federal support critical to its completion. This is an excellent opportunity to expand the effective foot print of the wetland from 25 to 88 acres, replace high fuel load invasive plants with low stature native wetland vegetation, and

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restore riparian buffers and fuel breaks at two gulches that feed to Ukumehame Wetland, Makiwa and Hana'ula.

These budget items contribute to the resilience, sustainability and continued health of our islands' environment, economy, and quality of life. We thank you for appreciating the critical importance of protecting the lands and waters on which all life depends.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in support of HB300 HD1.

Guided by science, TNC is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of the lands and waters upon which all life depends. The Conservancy has helped protect more than 200,000 acres of natural lands in Hawai'i and Palmyra Atoll. We manage 40,000 acres in 13 nature preserves and have supported over 50 coastal communities to help protect and restore the nearshore reefs and fisheries of the main Hawaiian Islands.



#### COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

HEARING DATE: Tuesday, March 18, 2025 TIME: 10 am, Via Videoconference & Conference Room 308

#### COMMENTS FOR HB 300 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Hawai'i Friends of Restorative Justice (HFRJ) strongly supports budget appropriations for the Department of Education and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs while firmly opposing the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's (DCR) request for \$30 million to plan a larger O'ahu jail. The state has already wasted approximately \$40 million on failed jail and prison planning, demonstrating a lack of foresight and the inability to design effective correctional facilities.

The expansion of the women's prison exemplifies this failure. In 2018, the state spent \$350,000 to contract the University of Hawai'i School of Architecture's Community Design Center to improve the prison's design with "self-sustaining programs and facilities that reduce recidivism in Hawaii" (TASK ORDER 1 PSD & UH contract v.6/27/18, Page 1). Despite the large expenditure for these critical needs, the prison's construction ignored them. No additional classrooms, no large gymnasium, and dedicated rehabilitation spaces were included—there are basic elements that modern correctional facilities provide to support education, wellness, and reintegration. Education and physical activity have been proven to reduce recidivism, yet Hawai'i's incarcerated women remain without these essential resources.

Instead of wasting more money on jail planning, the state should prioritize education—both for those currently incarcerated, who typically read at a 4th to 6th grade level, and for youth to prevent future incarceration. Research shows that especially <u>early childhood</u>, vocational training, and <u>higher education</u>—significantly reduce crime rates by providing individuals with the skills and opportunities needed to succeed, while incarceration perpetuates disadvantage, disproportionately <u>impacting Native Hawaiians</u> and other marginalized groups.

Spending \$30 million on additional jail planning is a waste of taxpayer dollars. Our limited resources should be invested in real solutions that empower communities—not expand incarceration. We urge you to reject this funding request and instead champion education as the path to a safer, stronger Hawai'i.

Mahalo for your service, and please feel free to reach out with any questions: <a href="mailto:lorenn@hawaiifriends.org">lorenn@hawaiifriends.org</a>

Aloha, Lorenn Walker, JD, MPH Director, Hawai'i Friends of Restorative Justice



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Hawai'i Oral Health Coalition

Hawai'i Public Health Training Hui

Healthy Eating + Active Living

Kūpuna Collective/Healthy Aging & Community Living

Public Health Workforce Development

Date: March 17, 2025

To: Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

RE: Support for HB 300, Relating to the State Budget

Hrg: Wednesday, March 18, 2025, at 10:00 AM, Conference Room 308

Hawaiʻi Public Health Institute (HIPHI)¹ and the Healthy Eating, Active Living² (HEAL) coalition is in **support with amendments of HB 300**, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

Please increase funding for the number of SNAP processing positions within the Department of Human Services.

One in three households in Hawai'i face food insecurity.<sup>3</sup> Federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits are a lifeline to many of these residents. Local families in need receive over \$600 million annually in SNAP benefits.<sup>4</sup> Unfortunately, the state has made accessing these benefits incredibly difficult. The state needs to improve the enrollment process and ensure local SNAP-eligible residents can receive the federal benefits they need.

#### One Additional Worker Could Provide \$2 Million in Federal Benefits

Our SNAP office enrolls over 60,000 households annually, with less than 300 staff. That is more than 200 applications per staff member. Given the extreme backlog, adding one extra person to our SNAP department could be the difference between 200 families receiving SNAP benefits or not. At an average benefit per household of over \$9,600 annually, this worker could help provide these 200 families in need with \$2 million in total federal food assistance.

https://hawaiifoodbank.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/HawaiiFoodbank\_TheStateOfFoodInsecurityInHawaii 2023.pdf

https://humanservices.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/SFY-2024-SUMMARY-apr.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Hawai'i Public Health Institute's mission is to advance health and wellness for the people and islands of Hawai'i. We do this through expanding our understanding of what creates health of people and place, fostering partnerships, and cultivating programs to improve policies, systems, and the environments where people live, learn, work, age, and play.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Healthy Eating + Active Living (HEAL) Coalition, formerly known as the Obesity Prevention Task Force, was created by the legislature in 2012 and is comprised of over 60 statewide organizations. The HEAL Coalition works to make recommendations to reshape Hawai'i's school, work, community, and health care environments, making healthier lifestyles obtainable for all Hawai'i residents.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The State of Food Insecurity in Hawai'i - Hawai'i Food Bank.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Hawai'i Department of Human Services.



#### **Difficulty Enrolling**

Local Hawai'i residents face immense barriers when trying to enroll in SNAP. Wait times often exceed four hours, causing many applicants to abandon the process out of frustration. Physical office locations are frequently inaccessible, further compounding the issue. When residents call the Department of Human Services (DHS) at their scheduled time for the required interview, their calls often go unanswered, leaving them unable to complete the process. Days or weeks later, they receive a callback from an unrecognized number at an unscheduled time, making it difficult for many applicants to answer—especially if they are at work or attending to other responsibilities. As a result, their missed interview leads to a denial of their application, creating an unfair cycle that denies residents the support they need.

Currently, only 62% of eligible residents participate in the program, with participation among kūpuna even lower at just 35%. Systemic challenges, including incorrect application denials and missed interview opportunities, leave many families without the critical support they need.

#### **SNAP Office is Understaffed Following Increased Demand**

In fiscal year 2023-2024, the SNAP department processed 90,000 applications—a 50% increase from 60,000 in 2017-2018. Despite this dramatic rise in demand, staffing levels have remained stagnant at around 275 employees for several years. This lack of sufficient staffing has made the enrollment process so difficult. To adequately support residents, the state must increase staffing to match the escalating demand.

With demand already on the rise, fifty thousand additional households have become eligible for SNAP this month as the net income threshold was removed from the eligibility test. The need for more staff is urgent now—and will become even more critical as more families apply.

We must increase both the number of budgeted positions and the pay for these roles to ensure they are filled. Raising salaries will help attract and retain qualified staff, while expanding available positions across the board will allow for targeted recruitment in areas with low vacancy rates, ensuring equitable access to services statewide.

During the height of the pandemic our state sprung into action to improve the unemployment office staffing situation. With over 100,000 eligible individuals currently missing out on SNAP benefits, we must take bold, urgent action to streamline the application process and ensure that every qualified person can access the support they need.

https://www.khon2.com/local-news/changes-in-procedure-short-staffing-causing-long-lines-at-state-benefits-offices/

<sup>5</sup> KHON

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Census - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Eligibility & Access.

https://www.census.gov/library/visualizations/interactive/snap-eligibility-access.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Department of Human Services Budget 2025-2027.

https://budget.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/21.-Department-of-Human-Services-FB25-27-PFP.7Lt.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Department of Human Services Budget 2019-2020.

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{https://budget.hawaii.gov/wp\text{-}content/uploads/2018/12/20.\text{-}Department\text{-}of\text{-}Human\text{-}Services\text{-}FB19\text{-}21\text{-}PFP.ef3}\ .pdf}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> UHERO - Hawai'i's Unnecessary Benefit Cliff.

https://uhero.hawaii.edu/hawai%ca%bbis-unnecessary-benefit-cliff-how-one-small-policy-change-could-deliver-in-45 m-per-year-in-federally-funded-snap-benefits/



#### 10:1 Return on Investment

Our low SNAP participation rate means far fewer Hawai'i residents are accessing critical federal benefits than they should. Since half of SNAP processing staff salaries are covered by federal funds, increasing staffing levels would require the state to contribute only half the investment.<sup>10</sup>

Adding an additional \$10 million for staff on top of the roughly \$20 million we spend now would bring in an additional \$10 million in funding from the federal government for those staff. If that can help raise the SNAP participation rate from 62% to just 75%, we could bring in over \$100 million in additional federal funding annually. A \$10 million investment now would give more than a 10:1 return on investment, with more than \$100 million coming back to the state.

By failing to hire enough staff to ensure a smooth and efficient application process, we are effectively leaving federal dollars on the table and missing an opportunity to better support our community.

#### **Variable Vacancy Rates**

Many staff locations face high vacancy rates, making it challenging to fill positions. However, some sites have lower-than-average vacancies, presenting an opportunity to quickly expand the workforce. By adding positions to these locations, we could bring in dozens of new employees to strengthen the department.

Please increase funding for SNAP staff positions and pay to ensure that federal SNAP benefits remain a reliable and accessible lifeline for all eligible residents in need.

Mahalo,

Nate Hix

Director of Policy and Advocacy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> SNAP State Activity Report 2021.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 12:26:27 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kristen Young	Testifying for Faith Action for Community Equity	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Kristen Young, I grew up on O'ahu and currently live in Makiki. In my individual capacity I participate as a member of the Reimagining Public Safety in Hawai'i coalition and Faith Action for Community Equity which has advocated for housing and bail reform among other issues. I'm testifying in strong opposition to provisions in HB300 that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

When I look around today at our islands, I am saddened by what I see. We have clearly not invested in the wellbeing of the people of this place. There are also things that much of the public does not get to see, such as our own neighbors locked up in jail/prison. According to Prison Policy Initiative, Hawai'i's incarceration rate stands out internationally, locking up a higher percentage of its people than almost any democratic country on Earth. Among those locked up, Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, and Black residents are overrepresented. This should disturb all of us.

People are not naturally criminals. We need to consider the conditions that can lead to someone being locked up in our legal system and address those. People don't need to be locked up—they need supportive housing, healthcare, treatment, food, community services and support. We CAN'T fund these things if we're spending nearly \$1 billion on a new jail and even more to then keep people in there.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Recently, a bill that would provide universal free school meals for public school students was killed, not even given a hearing. I assume it was due to budget concerns. The fact that we would not even entertain the possibility of feeding keiki while we proceed to lock up their caregivers is appalling and deeply concerning.

Investing in a new jail would be DIVESTING in infrastructure and services that could truly support our community and I believe this would increase harm in our communities. For this reason I oppose HB300.

Please prioritize people, including the most vulnerable, in the budget.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Kristen Young Honolulu, HI 96813



Date: March 18, 2025

To: Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Members of the Senate Committee on Ways & Means

From: Early Childhood Action Strategy

Re: House Bill 300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget

Early Childhood Action Strategy (ECAS) is a statewide cross-sector collaborative designed to improve the system of care for Hawai'i's youngest children and their families. ECAS partners work to align priorities for children prenatal to age eight, streamline services, maximize resources, and improve programs to support our youngest keiki.

We are writing to outline our support for specific funding requests in House Bill 300 that would expand early learning opportunities for local keiki. ECAS feels strongly that supporting local keiki by providing them with access to high-quality learning environments is a worthwhile investment in our community's future.

We would like to specifically note our support for the following items:

- Funds & Positions to open 50 additional Executive Office on Early Learning (EOEL) Public Prekindergarten classrooms over the next two years (EDN700)
- Funding for Family Child Interaction Learning (FCIL) Program contracts (EDN700)

Expansion of these programs is a critical step toward providing more local children and their families with high-quality early learning experiences that would better prepare them to succeed in elementary school, secondary school, and beyond.

For these reasons, ECAS strongly supports the inclusion of these items HB300 HD1.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide this testimony.



Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks! is a nonpartisan 501c4 nonprofit committed to advocating for children and their families. Our core issues are safety, health, and education.

To: Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means

From: Chevelle Davis, MPH - Director of Early Childhood & Health Policy

Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks!

Subject: Measure H.B. No. 300 H.D. 1 – Relating to the State Budget

Hearing: Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 10:00 AM, Conference Room 211

POSITION: SUPPORT WITH COMMENTS

Aloha e Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the committee,

On behalf of **Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks!**, we urge the legislature to prioritize funding for early learning opportunities, reproductive health care access, and re-establishing the state's oral health program. These investments are essential to ensuring Hawai'i's families' health, well-being, and future success.

#### Investing in Early Learning for Hawai'i's Keiki

Expanding access to high-quality early learning is one of the most effective ways to promote educational equity, support underserved families, and build a strong foundation for lifelong success. A comprehensive approach that includes both classroom expansion and programmatic funding is necessary to fulfill the state's commitment to universal early learning.

To achieve this, we urge your support for the following essential funding priorities:

- Funding and positions to establish 50 additional Executive Office on Early Learning (EOEL) Public Prekindergarten classrooms over the next two years (EDN 700):
  - Expands access to high-quality early learning, prioritizing enrollment for underserved keiki
  - Strengthens efforts to achieve universal early learning for three- and four-yearold keiki
  - Enhances kindergarten readiness and long-term academic success
- Funding for Family Child Interaction Learning (FCIL) Program contracts (EDN 700):
  - Broadens early learning opportunities to meet the diverse needs of working families
  - Emphasizes a multi-generational, culturally responsive approach to early learning



- Empowers families to play an active role in their children's cognitive, social, and emotional development
- o Provides essential parent education alongside early learning experiences

## • Additional funding for the Hawai'i School Facilities Authority (SFA) to continue Prekindergarten classroom development and construction:

- Addresses the urgent need for affordable, high-quality early learning opportunities for more than 8,000 underserved keiki
- Builds on the SFA's recent progress in completing 56 prekindergarten classrooms, creating over 1,000 new preschool seats
- Ensures that the expansion of prekindergarten seats continues without delay by closing a \$60 million funding gap
- Prevents at least a two-year delay in seven major preschool projects that would impact more than 600 keiki

Without continued investment in early learning, we risk delaying critical progress toward universal preschool access, leaving thousands of Hawai'i's keiki without the foundation for academic success.

#### **Protecting Access to Sexual and Reproductive Health Care**

Hawai'i has long been a leader in protecting access to family planning services and abortion care, and we urge the legislature to continue this legacy by ensuring the sustainability of safety net family planning providers. Patients and providers are relying on lawmakers to hold the line against federal threats to reproductive health care access.

To maintain patients' access to essential health care, we request that the **2025-27 operating** budget general funds include:

- \$3 million in sustainability funding to Planned Parenthood to ensure continued access to family planning services
- \$4.4 million to backfill Title X funding should the Trump Administration reimplement the domestic gag rule (\$7.4 million total over the biennium)

Additionally, we encourage the legislature to prepare for potential additional cuts from the Trump Administration and Congress, including the banning of federal Medicaid funds for genderaffirming care and for Planned Parenthood.

Safety net family providers face a perfect storm of rising health care and labor costs, workforce shortages, and increased patient volumes. Healthcare providers across the state are struggling to keep up, leading to closures, layoffs, and reduced services. The financial strain on providers

has only worsened since the fall of *Roe v. Wade*, and we anticipate further challenges ahead. Without state support, access to essential sexual and reproductive health care will be at risk for thousands of Hawai'i residents.

#### Re-Establishing Hawai'i's State Oral Health Program

Oral health is a critical but often overlooked component of overall well-being. It is imperative that we invest resources to **re-establish the state's oral health program** to fully assess oral health needs, infrastructure, and gaps in care. A dedicated program under the Department of Health is necessary to:

- Conduct ongoing assessments of oral health trends and disparities across Hawai'i's communities
- Work with stakeholders to develop evidence-based strategies that address barriers to care
- Ensure that all residents, particularly underserved populations, have access to affordable and preventive oral health services

By restoring the state oral health program, Hawai'i can take a proactive approach in addressing **longstanding disparities**, reducing costly emergency dental visits, and improving the overall health of our communities.

Investing in early learning, reproductive health care, and oral health are interconnected priorities that **support the well-being of Hawai'i's families**. These critical services ensure that keiki have a strong start in life, that families receive the support they need, and that individuals maintain access to the full spectrum of healthcare services.

For these reasons, we respectfully urge you to include this funding in the Senate Draft of the budget. **Mahalo** for your time and consideration in supporting Hawai'i's keiki, families, and communities.

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March 16, 2025

Senate Ways and Means Committee Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair and Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee,

Aloha Nui!

I am writing to express my strong support for including \$5.5 million for the Waimānalo CARES Center and \$6 million for the Magoon Research and Teaching Station in the state budget bill, HB 300, HD1. These allocations are crucial for our community and will significantly impact both the residents of Waimānalo and the broader educational and research efforts in Hawaii.

#### Waimānalo CARES Center:

The Waimānalo CARES Center plays a vital role in providing essential services and support to the local community. This funding will enable the center to enhance its programs, expand its reach, and improve the quality of life for residents. By investing in this center, we are investing in the well-being and prosperity of our community.

#### Magoon Research and Teaching Station:

The Magoon Research and Teaching Station is an important educational and research facility that contributes significantly to Hawaii's academic and environmental initiatives. This funding will support critical research projects, educational programs, and community engagement activities, ultimately benefiting both students and the broader community.

I urge you to approve these allocations as they represent a wise investment in our state's future. These projects align with the values of community support, education, and environmental stewardship that are essential to Hawaii's growth and prosperity.

Mahalo Nui for considering my testimony. I look forward to your support for these important initiatives.

Mahalo.

Ilima Ho-Lastimosa



# Testimony of Mufi Hannemann President & CEO Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association

Senate Committee on Ways and Means
HB 300 HD1 – Relating to the State Budget
March 18, 2025

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Committee,

The Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association (HLTA) submits testimony in strong support of increased funding for the Hawai'i Tourism Authority (HTA) within the state budget, aligning with HTA's request for \$80 million in Fiscal Year 2026.

Tourism is the economic backbone of our state, generating billions of dollars in visitor spending annually and contributing billions more in state tax revenue. It is Hawai'i's largest return on investment, sustaining hundreds of thousands of jobs and supporting local businesses across all islands. For an industry that fuels our economy at this scale, it is critical that we continue to invest in its growth, stability, and sustainability.

HTA plays a pivotal role in destination management, marketing, and stewardship to ensure that tourism remains responsible, culturally respectful, and economically beneficial for our residents. Now that this responsibility has been codified, it is important that the mandates be funded as much as possible. The agency's ability to promote Hawai'i globally, restore international markets, and enhance destination stewardship programs is directly tied to adequate funding. Without sufficient resources, Hawai'i risks losing its competitive edge in the global travel market, resulting in economic setbacks that will affect businesses and workers statewide.

We respectfully urge the Legislature to fully fund HTA at \$80 million in Fiscal Year 2026 to ensure that our tourism industry continues to thrive, our local businesses are supported, and our residents benefit from the economic opportunities that tourism provides.

Mahalo for your consideration.



#### DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY • COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

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March 13, 2025

TESTIMONY OF KEITH K. OKAMOTO, MANAGER-CHIEF ENGINEER DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY, COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

HEARING BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

DATE: March 18, 2025 TIME: 10:00 AM

PLACE: Conference Room 211 & Via Videoconference

### HB 300 HD1- RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET LNR404 - WATER RESOURCES

Honorable Chair Dela Cruz; Vice-Chair Moriwaki, and committee members,

The County of Hawaii, Department of Water Supply (DWS) **strongly supports HB 300, LNR404** to provide funding for water resource management.

The Commission on Water Resource Management (CWRM) has the tremendous responsibility of administering the State Water Code, which was established to protect and manage the waters of the State of Hawaii.

As one of the major stakeholders under CWRM's purview, we may not agree on everything; but what we do agree on is that they should be funded appropriately to meet their mission.

We thank you for your attention to this matter, and for your dedication and commitment to serving our State.

Please feel free to contact me at (808) 961-8050 or via email at <a href="mailto:dws@hawaiidws.org">dws@hawaiidws.org</a> with any questions you may have regarding DWS' comments. Thank you for your time and consideration of our testimony on HB 300 HD1.

Submitted on: 3/13/2025 12:55:24 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kailey Reyes	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support making the QUEST ABA rates permanent.

Submitted on: 3/13/2025 1:47:41 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Crystal Thomas	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support making the QUEST ABA rates permanent. Making these rate increases permanent increases access to ABA services for children with autism. Please keep the funds allocated for QUEST ABA services in the budget. Previous rates had not been increased in more than a decade. Increasing the rates and making them permanent helps providers to employee qualified individuals to provide these much needed services and provides well paying jobs to Hawaii residents. Mahalo, Crystal Thomas, MS, BCBA, LBA

Submitted on: 3/13/2025 2:48:35 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Emily Henderson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) in the budget to help children with autism.

Submitted on: 3/13/2025 2:50:36 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Josliene Miller	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) in the budget to help children with autism. Maintaining rates is critical to ensuring agencies are able to keep staff employed.

Submitted on: 3/13/2025 2:54:35 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Rachel Miller	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

As an applied behavior analysis (ABA) service provider in the state of Hawaii I am submitting written testimony in support of maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for ABA in the budget to help children with autism.



Date: March 13, 2025

To: The Honorable Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

The Honorable Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Members of the Committee on Ways and Means

Re: Support for HB 300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget

Hrg: March 18, 2025 at 10:00 AM - Conference Room 211 & via Videoconference

The Hawai'i Oral Health Coalition, a program of the Hawai'i Public Health Institute<sup>1</sup>, is in **support of HB 300 HD1**, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

The mission of the Hawai'i Oral Health Coalition (HOHC) is to improve the overall health and well-being of all Hawai'i residents by improving access and equity in oral health care through collaborative partnerships, advocacy, and education. HOHC is a community-driven organization comprised of members representing organizations and individuals from diverse sectors across Hawai'i.

Oral health is essential to the overall physical, psychological, social, and economic well-being of Hawai'i's residents. Yet, our residents suffer from poor oral health:

- Hawai'i has among the highest prevalence of dental decay in children and adults compared to other states.
- Low-income families, intellectually and developmentally disabled residents, kūpuna, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander populations, and neighbor island residents are disproportionately impacted by poor oral health.
- Lack of an in-state dental school, geographic isolation, lack of community water fluoridation, and societal inequities are significant contributors to our poor oral health status.

Forty-two states maintain dedicated public dental health staff responsible for assessing and monitoring the population's oral health status, community needs, and infrastructure; informing and educating the public about the importance of oral health; and working to reduce barriers to dental care. Funding for the state public oral health program was cut in 2009, with limited funding to sustain the Hospital and Community Dental Services Branch only, which has been positioned under the Developmental Disabilities Division since then.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Hawai'i Public Health Institute (HIPHI) is a hub for building healthy communities, providing issue-based advocacy, education, and technical assistance through partnerships with government, academia, foundations, business, and community-based organizations.

According to HRS §321-61 - 63, the Hawaii State Department of Health must study and appraise the State's dental health needs and resources, and shall foster the development and expansion of dental health services to the people of the State. To accomplish this the department requires adequate resources to:

- Conduct research, investigations, experiments, demonstrations, and studies relating to the incidence, causes, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of dental diseases;
- Supervise, provide, and direct clinical dental health services for adults and children in the State;
- Develop and conduct a program of dental health education of the public;
- Provide information and education relating to dental health to public health nurses, teachers, social workers, and others who deal in a professional capacity with the public, through publications, seminars, institutes, and other appropriate means; and
- Provide training for professional personnel to staff state and local dental health programs.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention currently only provide funding to 20 states and one US territory<sup>2</sup>. Hawai'i is not among these states. Furthermore, the extent to which federal funding will reach Hawai'i for oral health programming in the future is more uncertain than ever.

It has been more than 10 years since the most recent statewide oral health assessments of Hawai'i residents. Key findings indicated that Hawai'i's keiki experience the highest rates of tooth decay in the nation<sup>3</sup>. The state continues to see high rates of emergency department (ED) utilization for preventable oral health conditions, with the greatest rate of ED visits occurring on neighbor islands, and among Medicaid patients<sup>4</sup>. Additionally, just over half of children with Medicaid (54.3%) are receiving preventive dental services<sup>5</sup>.

It is imperative that we invest resources to re-establish the state's oral health program to better understand the full scope of oral health needs, resources, infrastructure, and to identify evidence-based best practices, which can best address the barriers and gaps in our existing oral health care systems. dedicated staffing under the Department of Health is necessary to identify and develop the strategies that address the critical needs of our communities, provide ongoing assessment of oral health trends and systems, and work with stakeholders to develop effective approaches to improving oral health outcomes for all Hawai'i residents.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo.

Patrick Donnelly Statewide Oral Health Coalition Manager Hawai'i Public Health Institute

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.cdc.gov/oral-health-funded-programs/funding/oral-health-program-funding.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://health.hawaii.gov/about/files/2013/06/Key\_Findings\_wC.pdf; https://health.hawaii.gov/about/files/2013/06/Hawaii-Smiles-Report.pdf

<sup>4</sup> https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/38509055/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> https://www.hawaiihealthmatters.org/indicators/index/view?indicatorId=12247&localeId=14

Submitted on: 3/13/2025 3:12:09 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Leslie Allison Schurtz	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please support maintaining the finally increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA). It is important this aspect remain in the budget to help children with autism across the state of Hawaii receive the quality medically necessary services they deserve.



#### STATE OF HAWAII SCHOOL FACILITIES AUTHORITY

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### **Senate Committee on Ways and Means**

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 211

### House Bill 300, House Draft 1, Relating to the State Budget

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

The School Facilities Authority (SFA) **strongly supports House Bill 300**, **House Draft 1**, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

SFA focuses on building modern learning spaces for public schools and contemporary living environments for workforce housing on public lands through improved government processes that maximize the long-term value of our projects while accelerating their completion time. SFA has three main initiatives: expansion of preschools, a new Central Maui school, and workforce housing.

SFA asks the committee to approve two capital improvement program requests in Governor Josh Green's executive budget, \$100 million for a new Central Maui school (EDN450 Item No. G-14) and \$20 million for education workforce housing (EDN450 Item No. G-15).

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Riki Fujitani Executive Director

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/13/2025 4:28:50 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Caroline Kunitake	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support HB300 HD1. Please suport this bill.

Submitted on: 3/13/2025 5:46:30 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kristian Guynes	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) in the budget to help children with autism.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 6:19:09 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Anastasia Keller-Collins	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Good Morning,

I am submitting testimony in support of this bill to ensure individuals with autism and other developmental disabilities have access to the care they need to increase independence. With their independence, comes freedom from long term supports on the system.

Thank you,

Dr. Keller-Collins

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 6:51:11 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Dallas Star	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please maintain the current 2025 provided Medicaid rates to support children with autism. This action does not increase the budget from year to year and reaps the benefits of the rate study that was completed in 2024. It helps increase wages for local employees while supporting a vulnerable population. This is a win win with no increased financial impact from 2025 to 2026 and beyond.

### Written Testimony

### Committee on Ways and Means

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 / 10:00 am Conference Room 211, Hawai'i State Capitol

By

Christine K. Walton, PhD, BCBA-D, LBA President, Behavior Analysis No Ka Oi, Inc.

HB300– Appropriates funds to increase the funding for applied behavioral analysis services for persons with autism.

Senator Donovan Dela Cruz Chair, Senator Sharon Moriwaki, Vice Chair, and Committee on Ways and Means

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony supporting HB300, which seeks appropriate funding for the Med-Quest Division to address non-covered or under-covered behavioral health services for Med-Quest beneficiaries.

I am the President of Behavior Analysis No Ka Oi, Inc., a Kaka'ako-based clinic that has been providing services to individuals with autism for over 15 years. Our clinic specializes in applied behavior analysis (ABA), an empirically validated, medically necessary treatment for children diagnosed with autism and related disorders. While the passing of Luke's Law in 2015 was a significant milestone, requiring health insurance coverage for autism diagnosis and treatment, the Medicaid fee schedule for ABA services has remained unchanged.

Over the past decade, operational costs have risen significantly. Expenses related to rent, employee health insurance and benefits, and mileage reimbursements for employees commuting to homes and community sites have all increased. Despite these rising costs, the lack of increases to the Medicaid fee schedule has severely impacted our ability to recruit and retain qualified providers.

We cannot offer competitive wages compared to school-based services, which are reimbursed at higher rates. This has led to challenges in hiring the best providers and retaining experienced staff. Many of our qualified professionals have relocated to the mainland, where the cost of living is lower, and fee schedules are more favorable, or leave the field completely. As a result, our clinic now has a waitlist of approximately three years for services. While the passage of Luke's Law was a monumental advancement in securing services for the people of Hawai'i, it is not impactful if those it was meant to serve cannot find providers.

In conclusion, additional funding for the Med-Quest Division is essential to address the gap in non-covered or under-covered behavioral health services. This funding will ensure that medically necessary ABA services are accessible to individuals with autism in Hawai'i and help clinics like ours recruit and retain qualified providers to meet the growing demand for services.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/14/2025 8:46:53 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Amanda Martin	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 8:49:06 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Subm	itted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
	ouise der deren	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 9:09:39 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Brandace-Mori Collins	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 9:11:51 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Stanley Bloom	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 9:30:15 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Michael Fredeluces	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

• Please support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) in the budget to help children with autism.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 9:49:41 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted 1	By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jackie Beldi	ng	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I urge you to support HB300. Support of HB300 will help families and children access and continue to receive medically necessary ABA services. I have worked as a behavior analyst in schools, homes, and clinical settings in Hawaii since 2010. Please help us continue provide critically necessary services for our keiki and families.

Thank you,

Jackie Belding, M.Ed., LBA, and June's mom (3.5 years old)



March 14, 2025

Position: Support of HB300 HD1

**To:** Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

From: Llasmin Chaine, LSW, Executive Director, Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women

Re: Testimony in Support of HB300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget

Hearing: Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Conference Room 211, State Capitol

The Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women (HSCSW), which is administratively attached to the Department of Human Services, **strongly supports HB300 HD1**, which outlines the HSCSW's operating budget, HMS 888, Page 44, Item No. 16. I respectfully ask that the Committee **pass HB300 HD1** with the requested appropriations for the continued funding of the Hawai'i State **Commission on the Status of Women**.

The HSCSW was created by executive order on May 15, 1964, and functions as a central clearinghouse of resources, services and advocacy for women and girls. The Commission engages in legislative advocacy and implementation, develops programs, collaborates with community organizations and state departments, provides field placements for students, delivers trainings and technical assistance, and serves as an informational resource for Hawai'i's women and girls, on a broad range of policies and issues.

Considering the current federal administrative priorities and active measures: to dissuade and disrupt gender equity policies<sup>1</sup>; to reduce or eliminate funding for survivor advocacy<sup>2</sup> and gender-based violence prevention education<sup>3</sup>; and to promote regressive gender roles<sup>4,5</sup>; **ongoing state budgetary support of the Commission on the Status of Women is especially needed and greatly appreciated**.

I respectfully urge this Committee to **pass HB300 HD1** in support of the **continued funding of the Commission on the Status of Women**. Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government. Executive Order. The White House. <a href="https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/01/defending-women-from-gender-ideology-extremism-and-restoring-biological-truth-to-the-federal-government/">https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/01/defending-women-from-gender-ideology-extremism-and-restoring-biological-truth-to-the-federal-government/</a>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Tarrant, Tavleen and Gregorian, Dareh. (2025, February 3) Jan. 6 conspiracy theory promoter named to a top State Department job. NBC News. https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/donald-trump/jan-6-conspiracy-theory-promoter-named-top-state-department-job-rcna190497

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 10:10:21 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Eliza Lipp	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) in the budget to help children with autism.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 10:36:25 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Vanessa Higa	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) in the budget to help children with autism.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 10:41:06 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kelly McCloskey	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 10:47:07 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jemar Miller	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) in the budget to help children with autism.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 11:10:34 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Noelle Lindenmann	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Noelle Lindenmann, and I live in Kailua-Kona. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Noelle Lindenmann, Kailua-Kona

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 11:12:18 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Anne Leake	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

My name is Anne Leake, and I live in Kaneohe. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.



Hawai'i Unites is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the conservation and protection of our environment and natural resources. We are opposed to allocating funds through the State of Hawai'i Executive Budget bill <u>HB300</u> for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito release experiments on Maui and Kaua'i. The <u>DLNR's 2025-27 Budget Overview</u><sup>1</sup> briefing includes this statement in reference to DOFAW LNR 102, LNR 172, LNR 402, LNR 407, and LNR 804:

"Novel management strategies are needed to prevent the imminent extinction of several of Hawaii's endangered forest birds due to disease spread because of climate change-induced mosquito range expansion and the subsequent spread of avian malaria."

Current "novel management strategies" in use by the DLNR and their *Birds*, *Not Mosquitoes* agency partners include the release of millions of *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquitoes on our fragile ecosystems on Maui and Kaua'i. No studies have been done on the potential significant impacts of these projects or on the serious risks to the health of our islands' people, wildlife, and 'āina. No environmental impact statement (EIS) has been completed for any island. Hawai'i Unites' active <u>court case</u><sup>2</sup> to stop the mosquito releases on Maui and require an EIS brings forth several significant concerns, including:

- Accidental release of female mosquitoes that bite, breed, and spread disease (EPA guidelines<sup>3</sup> allow for the release of one female for every 250,000 males; just one female released can produce 160,000 more females through breeding of the generations in her lifespan; 3,103 females are allowed to be released weekly on Maui<sup>4</sup> up to 6,000 mosquitoes released twice weekly per acre in the 64,666-acre project area: 6,000 x 2 x 64,666 = 775,992,000 mosquitoes divided by 250,000 equals 3,103 females weekly)
- Peer-reviewed studies showing *Wolbachia* bacteria can cause <u>increased pathogen</u> <u>infection</u><sup>5</sup> and <u>disease-spreading capability</u><sup>5,6</sup> in mosquitoes
- <u>Horizontal transmission</u><sup>7</sup> of *Wolbachia* bacteria to wild mosquitoes and other insect vectors of disease
- Population replacement of wild mosquitoes with lab-altered mosquitoes (as few as three females released can cause population replacement)
- Wind drift of released mosquitoes to unintended areas
- Lack of documented biosecurity protocols and pathogen screenings for the imported mosquitoes
- Risks to the health of people and animals, and the potential for the plan to cause the extinction of the native birds it is meant to protect

Tropical disease and vector expert Dr. Lorrin Pang has <u>testified</u><sup>9</sup> as an expert witness in our <u>case</u><sup>10</sup> and has affirmed that this mosquito experiment has not been studied enough for the State of Hawai'i and its agency partners to move forward. Dr. Pang has decades of experience as a leader in mitigating mosquito-borne diseases. He has authored over 75 publications in peer-reviewed medical journals, over 40 of which are focused specifically on mosquito-borne illnesses.



The mosquitoes currently being released in the millions on Maui and Kaua'i are experimental. Southern house mosquitoes lab-infected with *Wolbachia* bacteria have never been documented as used for stand-alone field release anywhere in the world. The 64,666-acre East Maui project area is the largest *Wolbachia* mosquito release of any kind globally to date, and Kaua'i's 59,204-acre project area is the second largest.

The agencies releasing these lab-altered mosquitoes have <u>admitted</u><sup>11</sup> that the plan does not include monitoring the effects of the experimental mosquitoes on forest birds.

Mass release of these mosquitoes began on Maui in November 2023. The DLNR and their partnering agencies have produced no data on the results of these mosquito releases. There has been no indication that the plan is even working for its intended purpose. Deviations from the approved plan have also been occurring for over a year. Mosquitoes are being released solely by helicopter rather than by drone, exacerbating concerns about noise disturbances, disruptions to wildlife habitat, and the potential for collisions, accidents, and wildland fires. The helicopter longline release system described in the environmental assessment is not the system being used, and helicopters appear to be flying closer to the tree canopy than the approved distance, increasing the potential for adverse impacts.

As of February 2025, mosquitoes are now also being mass released on Kaua'i. Additionally, aerial spraying of Bti larvicide on Maui and Kaua'i in combination with the aerial release of bacteria-infected mosquitoes is now occurring. This combination of products is not part of the approved plans, and no studies have been done on the impacts of these activities to our environment. The agencies involved have not addressed concerns about potential data falsification due to the use of two different mosquito suppression products within each project area.

Hawai'i Unites asks that the legislature amend bill <u>HB300</u> to remove any State of Hawai'i Executive Budget funding allocations for programs and/or projects that include the release of *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquitoes. Conservation efforts and funding must focus on more environmentally sound approaches like habitat and stream flow restoration, which would honor the 'āina, the culture, and the ancestral connections of the native birds rather than putting them at further risk of extinction.

Mahalo, Tina Lia Founder Hawai'i Unites HawaiiUnites.org



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"Monitoring of birds is beyond the scope of this EA."

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 11:18:19 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Asia Leong	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

ALOHA Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members,

I am testifying in strong opposition to provisions in HB300, that expand mass incarceration and the building of a \$ 1 billion jail. This is not how we should be spending our tax dollars! We must inverst in strengthinging our communities, in our youth, education, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community based health to help us BUILD COMMUNITIES THAT ARE SAFE, HEALTHY AND EQUITABLE.

Respecfully,

Asia Leong

Kamuela, Hawaii

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 11:19:52 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Leah	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300**that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 11:25:54 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Michael Maddux	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

"Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Mike Maddux, and I live in Hawi. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration."

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 11:31:03 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Boyd Ready	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

"Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Boyd Ready, of Haleiwa,

I support building a new jail!

It's unconscionable to keep people in an overcrowded jail, and unfair to families to send prisoners off the islands.

Build a jail that's big enough to house violent and chronic repeat offenders, with sanitation, safety and ease of staffing.

Don't give in to the 'anti-incarceration' argument that turns our communities into soft targets for repeat offenders.

We deserve to be safe from known criminal offenders in our homes, on our streets, on our farms and in our parks and natural areas.

You can't do it without a bigger jail. Keep it in HB300!

Mahalo for your time and consideration."

**Boyd Ready** 

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 11:49:25 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kayla Marie	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 11:58:49 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Younghee Overly	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

I don't usually weigh in on a state budget bill but I must on this one. HB300 includes an appropriation for building a new correctional center in Oahu. What we need is a way to fund expected federal budget cuts to Medicaid, SNAP, TANF, free school meals, and public education, not \$1 billion jail. Please let our budget reflect what and who we care about.

Please delete \$30 million appropriated for planning and \$10 million for the 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. Thank you for your consideration.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/14/2025 11:59:15 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Sho Araiba	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 12:00:13 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
John C Wert III	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

"Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is ProfJohn C Wert III (Ret), and I live in Wailuku. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

"Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is [NAME], and I live in [TOWN]. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration."

I retired from teaching in Hawaii several years ago and consider the amount to be spent on SB300 is unjustifyable. A teacher of mine at BYU Laie, suggested that instead of building larger prisons, we try to eliminate the NEED for prisons. Why do people commit crime? Undereducation, high cost of living, goods, lack of a future, etc. If the HB300 funds were spent on affordable housing, education, job training skills, etc, over the long haul we would have better educated population, capable of self support, and capable of remaining out of prison.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund

youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration."

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 12:01:20 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Faith Kahakelii	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 12:06:00 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	•	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jennifer Lum		Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Jennifer Lum, and I live in 'Ewa Beach. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

We don't want to become a reflection of fascism and brutality. We can choose to put health ahead of punishment. This is not the Hawai'i we want to reflect.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Jennifer Lum, 'Ewa Beach

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 12:09:35 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Christy Shaver	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Christy, and I live in Lahaina. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/14/2025 12:16:02 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Suellen Barton	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

We don't need a billion dollar prison, therefore I oppose this bill

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 12:37:33 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
John NAYLOR	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha,

Before we spend a billon dollars on a super prison, lets make sure we're doing everything we can to improve what we have & on preventative care.

Besides, in the current political environment, it's unlikely that \$\$\$ will be coming in from the Trump administration . Let's NOT start something we can't finish.

John Naylor Makawao

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 12:45:39 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jessica Noochan	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

• I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 12:51:19 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Paige Young	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:05:24 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Brigitte Leilani Axelrode	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Brigitte Axelrode, and I live in Honolulu. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:06:41 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Taurie Kinoshita	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

To the Honorable Committee,

I am writing in support of HB300 HD1.

This bill provides essetial funding for planning services, education, counseling and access to contraception, which we desperately need.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tarurie Kinoshita

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:15:13 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Dodi Pritchett	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support this bill 100%. As a professional helping families, this bill is needed to ensure all keiki of Hawai'i have access to quality care. With shortages and inflation, we have long waitlists for families needing services. This bill will help ensure no families are left behind and appropriate services can be provided.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:25:34 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Karina Gurat	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

To whom it may concern:

I am writing in strong support of HB 300, the proposed budget for the State of Hawaii, which includes funding to re-establish the Department of Health (DOH) Oral Health Program. This program is vital to improving oral health outcomes for all residents of Hawaii, and its restoration is long overdue.

In 2009, the DOH's Dental Division was dismantled and has not been reinstated since. Since that time, many communities across the state have faced an ongoing struggle to access affordable and adequate dental care. Oral health is an essential part of overall health, yet for many individuals in Hawaii, especially those in underserved areas or facing economic challenges, oral health services remain out of reach.

The funding requested for the reinstatement of this program would not only address critical gaps in access to dental care but would also provide long-term benefits for the state's overall health and well-being. Strong evidence links oral health to various other health conditions, including cardiovascular disease, diabetes, and even maternal and infant health. By addressing oral health disparities through the DOH Oral Health Program, Hawaii can improve overall health outcomes, reduce healthcare costs in the long term, and create a more equitable healthcare system for all residents.

Restoring the DOH Oral Health Program would allow the state to provide comprehensive public health initiatives, including preventive care, education, and increased access to dental services for our most vulnerable populations. This funding is not only an investment in oral health but an investment in the overall quality of life for all.

In conclusion, I urge you to approve HB 300 and support the restoration of funding for the DOH Oral Health Program. This program is a critical step toward improving oral health outcomes, reducing healthcare costs, and ensuring a healthier future for the residents of Hawaii.

Thank you for your consideration,

Karina Gurat

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:28:03 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Patti-Anne Takakura	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Please support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) in the budget to help children with autism

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:37:08 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Betsy Scolnik	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

are you kidding? a billiojn dollar jail when all of hawaii's benefits are being cut by the federal government right now???????????

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:37:57 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Noah Hull	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha,

Safety net providers are facing rising health care costs, workforce shortages, increased abortion patient volumes; providers across the country are struggling to keep up, leading to clinic closures, layoffs, and reduction of services. Please invest in sexual and reproductive health care to make sure providers can continue to deliver care.

Please include \$3 million in family planning monies, ensuring low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing essential health care services. This funding is essential to maintain patients' access to safety-net planning services, including education, counseling, and access to contraception.

Sexual and reproductive health care is one of the most powerful and cost-effective investments Hawai'i can make. For every \$1 invested in family planning, Hawai'i saves at least \$7 on unintended pregnancy costs and long-term social costs that can be routed to other critical services.

Any lack of investment in family planning safety net care exacerbates the disparities experiences by Medicaid Patients who have been systemically excluded and harmed.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

Noah Hull

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:39:46 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Janell	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis. I am a provider who works with children who access ABA services and so many children are unable to do so because there are not enough providers and waitlists are so long. We often lose our employess to higher paying jobs or to different fields all together. Higher rates would mean keeping our employess as well as attracting new possible employees which would allow more children to access these life changing services.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:43:56 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Leah Morse	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

"Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Leah Morse and I live in Honolulu. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration."

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:46:16 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Stephanie Chin-Lenn	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/14/2025 1:48:52 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Randy Gonce	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Opposition



## Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

My name is Jim Kilgore, and I am the Executive Director of Full Life and serve on the Board of the Hawai'i Waiver Providers Association (HWPA). HWPA represents providers supporting individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD) through the Medicaid 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver, administered by the Department of Health's Developmental Disabilities Division.

We strongly support the following budget item in **HB 300**, **HD1**, scheduled for hearing on **March 18**, **2025** at **10:00AM**:

HTH 501 - Developmental Disabilities,) Page 25, Item NO. 18

HTH 501 includes the addition of \$10,100,000 for FY 26 and \$21,400,000 FY 27 to increase urgently needed services through the Medicaid 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver for Individuals with I/DD and their families.

## Why This Funding is Critical

- **Severe Workforce Shortage:** Providers cannot offer competitive wages to Direct Support Professionals (DSPs), leading to a crisis in care.
- Inadequate Reimbursement Rates: Rates have not kept pace with rising costs, putting services at risk.
- Rate Study Findings: After the 2026 minimum wage increase, service costs will be 24% higher than current reimbursement rates. Federal Medicaid requires sufficient rates to ensure access to care.
- Access & Equity: Funding supports workforce development, improves access on neighbor islands, expands employment opportunities, and increases residential options.
- Preventing Service Cuts: Without funding, providers may reduce services or serve fewer individuals, leaving families without support.
- **Avoiding Institutionalization:** Families should not have to choose between placing a loved one in a facility or leaving the workforce to provide care.
- Cost-Saving Measure: HCBS services save the state \$77,000 per person annually compared to institutional care. Medicaid Waiver funding also brings a \$0.48 federal match per state dollar invested, saving taxpayers \$300 million annually.

This funding is essential to keeping families together, preventing unnecessary institutionalization, and ensuring individuals with I/DD receive the support they need to live independently.

Hawai'i's I/DD HCBS Waiver program serves 3,000 of our most vulnerable individuals each year, supported by 1,900 DSPs who help them fully participate in the community.

Mahalo for your time and consideration, and for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 300 HTH 501.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 2:04:14 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Lauren Hanabusa	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

I support this bill because all providers are in dire need of extra funds to support their staff to continue providing these much needed services to the families of Hawaii.



14 March 2025

Dear Committee on Finance,

Testimony pertaining to HB 300

In Support: On behalf of ABC Group Hawaii (Autism Behavior Consulting Group, Inc) serving individuals with autism in Hawaii, we ask that you approve the funds allocated for rates to maintain as part of the Governer's budget. Please approve funding in SB300, which appropriates funds to make the temporary reimbursement rates for ABA service providers PERMANENT.

Thank you for your consideration, Rep. Kyle T. Yamashita, Chair Rep. Jenna Takenouchi, Vice Chair

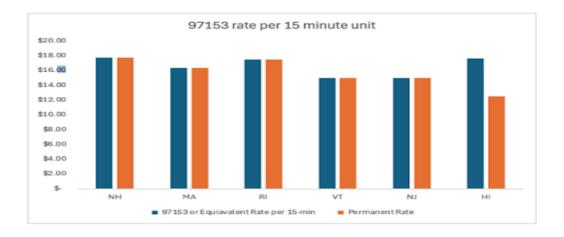
Ensuring an adequate provider network is established by offering appropriate rates that are reflective of the costs of living, and reimbursement rate increases over time is critical. The MedQuest Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) reimbursement rates in Hawaii have experienced capitation for more than a decade: and those rates having been set in 2015 after the passage of ABA Legislation. We should be reminded that these rates selected in 2015 were set BASED ON 2002-2004 the publicly available TRICARE rates from that time period. The rates we operate on today are not dissimilar to those we accepted from TRICARE in 2004. 21 years later, reimbursement rates remain generally unchanged, and not reflective of cost of living increases or wage increases for technician level providers.

Capitation of rates, and increased costs of living >70% for Oahu alone since 2004 (US Bureau of Labor Statistics), make it impossible to sustain the provision of high quality, clinic based medically-necessary Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) treatment

programs for young children impacted by autism. Since 2015, wages have increased in Hawaii over 30%, forcing providers like us to make difficult decisions without having reimbursement rate increase as a reflection of the economic conditions or cost of living increases in Hawaii.

The provider shortage is real, and we are tasked with training up providers who leave soon after hire, for rates that are near double, within the Department of Education (DOE) educational systems. Our long waitlist continues to grow, and the staffing barriers have restricted our ability to reduce the length of our waitlist to change the lives of Hawaii's children diagnosed with autism. Our waitlist at ABC today consists of 60% MedQuest children who need intensive ABA treatment and are unable to access that care in a timely manner, per Medicaid standards. This has caused us and other providers to maintain long wait lists (some several years long!) for children who are in dire need of services and appears to be in direct opposition to the requirements of EPSDT and Medicaid.

The existing MedQUEST rates were increased **TEMPORARILY** for 2025 to reflect the increased cost of providing services, per the Milliman Study conducted and the Legislature adopted at the lowest reimbursement recommendation level. As indicated below, other states with similar costs of living have **PERMANENT** rates (orange) more in line with economic forces and cost of living. Further, recent CMS guidance from SHO 24-0005 was consistent with these concerns: "Although adequate provider rates are not, in and of themselves, enough to ensure a sufficient network, without them, any steps a state might take to improve the provider workforce likely will be less effective."



According to the most recent estimates from the Centers for Disease Control, 1 in every 36 children are diagnosed with Autism. This indicates that more than 2.78% of Hawaii's children on Medicaid have Autism. MANY of these young children are unable to access the most basic, evidence-based, medically-necessary treatments to ameliorate symptoms of their diagnosis and in some cases, change the trajectory of their lives.

We greatly appreciate the efforts taken in 2024 to include funding for increased rates for MEDQUEST funded ABA treatment. These funds were nonrecurring, only providing an increase for 2025, therefore it is imperative we pass additional legislation in the 2025 session to maintain these rates beyond 2025.

On behalf of ABC Group Hawaii (Autism Behavior Consulting Group, Inc) serving individuals with autism in Hawaii, we ask that you approve the funds allocated for rates to maintain as part of the Governer's budget. Please approve funding in SB300, which appropriates funds to make the temporary reimbursement rates for ABA service providers PERMANENT.

Thank you for your efforts to ensure all MedQUEST beneficiaries, including children with autism, have access to the life-changing, evidence-based care called ABA.

Sincerely,

Dr. Amy Smith Gebhard, PhD, BCBA-D, LBA

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Founder/Owner

Autism Behavior Consulting Group, Inc. (ABC Group Hawaii)

Serving Oahu Children and Families Since 2006

#### References:

https://www.medicaid.gov/federal-policy-guidance/downloads/sho24005.pdf 2 Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services. Informational Bulletin, Clarification of Medicaid Coverage of Services to Children with Autism, July 7, 2014 (hereinafter "CMS Informational Bulletin"), available at

http://www.medicaid.gov/Federal-Policy-Guidance/Downloads/CIB-07-07-14.pdf. https://www.bls.gov/

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 2:34:08 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Josel Cristobal	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, and House Ways and Means Committee Members:

My name is Rev. Dennis Barger (ret), and I have lived in Kihei, Maui for almost 13 years. I am an enthusiastic member of INDIVISIBLE-MAUI.

I'm testifying in **strong opposition** to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes a multi-million-dollar appropriation for the planning for a new OCCC. We don't need a new, billion-dollar jail.

Instead, we NEED at least \$1 billion to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 2:59:49 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
McKenna Conner	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 3:02:31 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Cheryl Tse	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

• I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 3:20:03 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Nicole LeClaire	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I **strongly OPPOSE** funneling state budget resources into the continuation of this **reckless onslaught on our environment**. This is **NOT SAFE** for the islands! How many experiments with Nature does the government need to do before you realize you are making things worse!?!?!? STOP poisoning the land with these franken-mosquitos!!!



# Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

My name is Jim Kilgore, and I am the Executive Director of Full Life. Full Life provides services through the Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities (I/DD) Home and Community Based Medicaid Waiver Program. We serve people with I/DD on Hawai'i Island.

We strongly support the following budget item in **HB 300 HD1**, scheduled for hearing on **March 18**, **2025 at 10:00AM**:

# HTH 501 - Developmental Disabilities, Page 25, Item NO. 18

HTH 501 includes the addition of \$10,100,000 for FY 26 and \$21,400,000 FY 27 to increase urgently needed services through the Medicaid 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver for Individuals with I/DD and their families.

# Why This Funding is Critical

- **Severe Workforce Shortage:** Providers cannot offer competitive wages to Direct Support Professionals (DSPs), leading to a crisis in care.
- Inadequate Reimbursement Rates: Rates have not kept pace with rising costs, putting services at risk.
- Rate Study Findings: After the 2026 minimum wage increase, service costs will be 24% higher than current reimbursement rates. Federal Medicaid requires sufficient rates to ensure access to care.
- Access & Equity: Funding supports workforce development, improves access on neighbor islands, expands employment opportunities, and increases residential options.
- Preventing Service Cuts: Without funding, providers may reduce services or serve fewer individuals, leaving families without support.
- **Avoiding Institutionalization:** Families should not have to choose between placing a loved one in a facility or leaving the workforce to provide care.
- Cost-Saving Measure: HCBS services save the state \$77,000 per person annually compared to institutional care. Medicaid Waiver funding also brings a \$0.48 federal match per state dollar invested, saving taxpayers \$300 million annually.

This funding is essential to keeping families together, preventing unnecessary institutionalization, and ensuring individuals with I/DD receive the support they need to live independently.

Mahalo for your time and consideration, and for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 300 HTH 501.



Submitted on: 3/14/2025 3:47:46 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Michelle Ma	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Michelle and I live in Nu'uanu. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration."

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 4:13:36 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
juhl rayne	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

None of these dangerous mosquitos!!!! this is not tested and we all know what that means!!! Invasive non native things have NEVER worked on the island.

thank you, juhl rayne

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 4:15:04 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Donna Thompson	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I strongly OPPOSE any funding for The State of Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to continue dangerous mosquito release experiments anywhere in Hawai'i. HB 300 includes reference to novel strategies to address mosquito-borne avian malaria. Current strategies are focused on the release of millions of experimental Wolbachia-bacteria infected mosquitoes in our islands' conservation areas and ecosystems. This is a reckless experiment and HUGE waste of tax payer dollars.

Since spring 2022, as a veteran in National Security for over 33 years, I have personally studied the science in depth behind the use of Wolbachia for mosquito control. After reviewing thousands of pages of scientific papers, environmental assessments, government documents, videos, interviews, and grants related to Wolbachia; as well as consulting with experts regularly; what stands out from all this research is that Wolbachia bacterium strains are still being discovered and **its impacts are yet to be fully understood**. Its influence on other life forms; including humans, native birds, arthropods and filarial worms' reproductive cycle and pathogen infection (either to block or promote) is still in process of being vetted.

The state claims that the mosquito control strategy being implemented has decades of research behind it and is therefore safe. The reality is that the Sterile Insect Technique (SIT) that these decades of research are based on irradiation-induced sterility, and this is not the technique being implemented. The Incompatible Insect Technique (IIT), based on Wolbachia-induced cytoplasmic incompatibility (a kind of male sterility), used on the Hawaiian Islands is something entirely different with a strong potential for contamination of surface water or ground water, leaching, runoff, and spray drift have also not been evaluated.

The IIT method has never been used for conservation purposes or with the species Culex *quinquefasciatus* (southern house mosquito) anywhere worldwide. Federal documents admit the outcome is unknown and the public has already voiced numerous concerns. The IIT method "relies on the continuous production and release of male mosquitoes and is, therefore, more expensive than the World Mosquito Program's method. "There is no field evidence that it can reduce the risk of mosquito borne diseases."

https://www.worldmosquitoprogram.org/en/learn/how-our-method-compares

40-year tropical disease expert Dr. Lorrin Pang provided testimony in court in August 2023 about serious concerns about horizontal transmission of introduced bacteria, biopesticide wind

drift of lab-altered mosquitoes into unintended areas, superinfection of mosquitoes with multiple bacteria strains, increased pathogen infection and disease-spreading capability in mosquitoes, and the experimental nature of the release plan. His concerns have STILL not be addressed.

The Southern House Mosquito can transmit Avian Malaria, Avian Pox, Western Equine Encephalitis, West Nile Virus, Canine Heartworm, Lymphatic Filariasis/Elephantiasis, St. Louis Encephalitis and is a potential vector of Zika virus. There are Wolbachia studies that have shown it to increase pathogen infection..

"Mosquitoes infected with the bacteria Wolbachia are more likely to become infected with West Nile virus and more likely to transmit the virus to humans, according to a team of researchers." "The results suggest that caution should be used when releasing Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes into nature to control vector-borne diseases of humans."

https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2014/07/140710141628.htm

Wolbachia Enhances West Nile Virus (WNV) Infection in the Mosquito Culex tarsalis

https://journals.plos.org/plosntds/article?id=10.1371/journal.pntd.0002965

Wolbachia Can Enhance Plasmodium Infection in Mosquitoes: Implications for Malaria Control? https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4154766/

Peer-reviewed studies have shown Wolbachia to cause mosquitoes to become more capable of transmitting avian malaria and West Nile virus (bird and human). Pathogen screenings for these lab-altered mosquitoes are unknown, and that information is being withheld from the public upon FOIA request. EPA guidelines allow for the release of thousands of female mosquitoes that bite, breed, and spread disease. Just 3 females that escaped in Singapore were able to start a new lab strain colony in the wild since lab strain females and males can mate. There are no known biosecurity protocols for the imported mosquitoes and no mitigation measures in place. Population replacement of wild mosquitoes with the lab-altered mosquitoes could cause significant impacts.

Modified Mosquitoes Fail to Beat Malaria

https://www.pressreader.com/canada/edmonton-journal/20181126/281951723871847

"British biotechnology company Oxitec is withdrawing its application to release billions of genetically engineered mosquitoes in California, according to a recent update from the California Department of Pesticide Regulation."

https://beyondpesticides.org/dailynewsblog/2023/05/efficacy-and-health-issues-stop-release-of-genetically-engineered-mosquitoes-in-california-florida-continues/

There are parallels between Genetically Modified (GM) and Wolbachia techniques. Biologically Wolbachia lab infected mosquitoes are not GM mosquitoes, but the study designs, math, and

adherence to protocol apply to both situations. The main biological difference is there is slower horizontal transfer of mutations of the GM mosquito than with horizontal transfer of Wolbachia. **This means Wolbachia as a natural gene drive has the potential to have greater unknown impact on the environment**. Owain Edwards of CSIRO in Australia (Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation) was involved in the Aedes *aegypti* trial around Innisfail (Beebe et al 2021) that was funded by Verily Life Sciences. Dr. Edwards refers to Wolbachia as a type of natural gene drive during his 2016 presentation for APVMA. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lm\_WS9eXYIU

Its curious that the company Verily Life Sciences provding the mosquitoes in Hawai'i is funding the studies, this is a huge CONFLICT of INTEREST.

"The evidence of horizontal spread of Wolbachia shows that the bacteria go not only to sexual cells, but also to somatic cells (non-sexual cells of the body). Wolbachia can also live outside of the intra-cellular systems for several months." Wolbachia Horizontal Transmission Events in Ants: What Do We Know and What Can We Learn? <a href="https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30894837/">https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30894837/</a>

Horizontal Gene Transfer Between Wolbachia and the Mosquito Aedes *aegypti* https://bmcgenomics.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/1471-2164-10-33

This document submitted by Oxitec to the EPA in 2015 outlines numerous legitimate and studied issues regarding the use of Wolbachia. https://downloads.regulations.gov > EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0374-0018 > attachment 1.pdf

"Wolbachia is a bacterium residing within the cells of insects, and is passed through vertical transmission from mother to offspring. Even a single Wolbachia infected female could lay hundreds of eggs that would invade the wild population, rendering the Incompatible Insect Technique ineffective and spreading a new strain of Wolbachia into the environment. Modelling has shown that conditions of lower competition can favour infected females [6-8]. In other words, as a mosquito population is reduced, or if a population is already low, the chances of Wolbachia invading the wild population are increased."

"The Wolbachia is an endosymbiont on the cytoplasm of the cell so over a thousand new genes are introduced into the insect cells, some or all of which have the potential to randomly integrate into the insect's nuclear genome with unknown consequences. Moreover, the possible persistence of Wolbachia mosquitoes themselves is a significant concern. For the reasons set forth below, each new strain of mosquito, or indeed any artificially Wolbachia infected insect needs to be treated as a new strain and thoroughly tested in the laboratory before any field releases."

"The whole genome of Wolbachia can transfer to a host genome, meaning a host mosquito could be transformed with over one thousand new genes with unpredictable results [2-5]."

"It has already been shown that horizontal gene transfer (HGT) can transfer genes between Wolbachia and its host in Aedes aegypti [12] and several other mosquito species [13]. Therefore, Wolbachia can genetically transform its host with functional genes with currently unknown

consequences." "Horizontal transmission between unrelated host species is a proven phenomenon in Wolbachia [25]. Studies have demonstrated that genetic sequences, ranging in size from Horizontal transmission between unrelated host species is a proven phenomenon in Wolbachia [25]. Studies have demonstrated that genetic sequences, ranging in size from single genes to entire bacterial genomes, have been transferred from Wolbachia to many of their insect hosts [2-5], and its effect on disease transmission is variable and potentially dangerous."

### **Lack of Bio-Security**

There has been no documentation offered to the public outlining risk analysis conducted on the security vulnerabilities for lab bred mosquitoes that can be utilized as bio-weapons against a population (intended) nor details of quality control mechanisms for accidental transmission of pathogens (unintended). This includes failure to discuss how they will deal with accidental female escape, wind drift, or how male lab bred culex q. mosquitoes released into the wild can pass pathogen to biting females thru mating and shared feeding/water sources. The public has no idea how these lab mosquitoes will be quality controlled and tested. This is a major National Security liability since mosquitoes are a vector of disease and have been used on multiple occasions against a population, even our own military. https://blackthen.com/operation-big-itch-operation-drop-kick-fleas-infected-mosquitoes-dropped-black-towns/

Intended entomological warfare involves infecting insects with a pathogen and then dispersing the vectors over target areas. Invasive insects can also be deployed into a country en masse to take out crops and cripple a food supply. In New York the Plum Island lab was involved in the development of offensive bioweapons that led to Lyme's disease outbreaks. Japan's biological warfare unit (Unit 731) was deployed against China during World War II. The unit deployed plague-infected fleas and cholera-infected flies to take out the Chinese. https://citizens.news/694097.html

"We recommend careful invigilation of the international borders, airports, and seaports by the trained scientists to identify any accidental and/or deliberate import of alien arthropod vectors. Therefore, it is well advised to take seriously the possibility that arthropod could be used to attack people. Moreover, future research priorities should also includes high-throughput molecular diagnostics of diseases, identification of vectors, phylogenetic studies to understand the origin and distribution of the pathogen and vector strains. A rapid action team of trained scientist and health workers equipped with modern sophisticated diagnostic tools and suitable vector extinguishers should be appointed by the state and/or central health authorities to counter act any such emergency". Bioterrorism on Six Legs by Dr. Manas Sarkar.

A patent was developed in 2014 involving drones that transport and release mosquitoes. It mentions in the patent these drones can be co-opted for bio-weapons military programs. https://patents.google.com/patent/US8967029B1/en

Page 23 of the Kaua'i EA states "By contrast, male's proboscises are adapted to primarily feed on plant nectar and secretions, and do not feed on blood (Mullen and Durden 2009). Therefore, male mosquitoes cannot transmit disease." **This is incorrect and misleading to the public** since

studies prove male lab bred mosquitoes can pass pathogens to wild biting females thru mating and shared feeding/water sources.

Venereal Transmission of St. Louis Encephalitis Virus by Culex *quinquefasciatus* Males (Diptera: Culicidae) – Donald A. Shroyer (Journal of Medical Entomology, 5/1990) https://academic.oup.com/jme/article-abstract/27/3/334/2220754?login=false

#### Wolbachia Has Been Implicated in Human Disease

Wolbachia is NOT harmless to humans. It effects filarial worms that cause human disease such as river blindness and is implicated in Elephantiasis. These diseases effect millions of people each year. According to the CDC website, "There is a promising treatment using doxycycline that kills the adult worms by killing the Wolbachia bacteria on which the adult worms depend in order to survive". https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/onchocerciasis/treatment.html

"For decades, people have blamed a parasitic nematode worm for a disease that has blinded at least 250,000 people now living in Africa and South America. But the real culprit may be the ubiquitous Wolbachia, bacteria that colonize many hundreds of species, including the worm indicted in river blindness. Researchers now report that **Wolbachia stimulate the severe immune system response that slowly robs people of their vision**". https://www.science.org/content/article/worms-may-not-act-alone-river-blindness

Anti-Wolbachia therapy for onchocerciasis & lymphatic filariasis: Current perspectives

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6755775/

In 2013 Lisa Crampton and Anouk Glad conducted a study of Plasmodium *relictum* infection in Culex *quinquefasciatus*. The rate of capture of adult mosquitoes and Plasmodium *relictum* percentage was extremely low at Alakai Plateau of Kaua'i.

https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/pdfdirect/10.1111/jvec.12157

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"The infection rate of Plasmodium *relictum* is also essential to understanding the transmission rate to birds on the Alakai Plateau. We screened 17 mosquitoes caught at Halepa'akai and 16 mosquitoes caught at Kawaikoi in October and November for P. *relictum* infection using PCR. One mosquito from Halepa'akai tested positive for infection. We dissected 33 mosquitoes caught at Kawaikoi (winter and spring); none of them tested positive for infection by P. *relictum* (neither oocysts nor sporozoites were observed). Only three mosquitoes caught at Halepa'akai (January) were dissected, and none of them were infected (neither oocysts nor sporozoites were observed). Thus, the prevalence rate of P. *relictum* in our study is 1.45% (n=69)."

Page 19 of Kaua'i EA states "Mosquito populations and avian malaria have recently expanded into higher elevation habitat, which is the last refugia for these endangered avian species." I could not find a single reference study proving infected mosquitoes are invading higher

**elevations** in the proposed release areas in Kaua'i or recent documentation on the prevalence rate of Plasmodium *relictum* since the Crampton and Glad study in 2013.

Probably the biggest smoking gun of this entire money laundering operation is the fact that its not proven mosquitoes are actually causing the problem (study above is just one example). No one has looked into the increased EMF exposure, solar radiation, chemicals, pesticides, etc.. that could be affecting the birds while most have died in captivity (possibly due to EMF exposure of radio collars). Well meaning scientists are not helping these birds and we are conducting dangerous experiments on our ecosystem releasing lab bred vectors of disease that DO have the ability to create their own colony in the wild. There is no bio security, no proper studies, no end in sight. Please look into this mess and stop funding immediately!

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 4:15:29 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ashley de Coligny	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha, I am a resident of Kaneohe writing in strong support of HB 300.

This kind of critical health care is one of the most powerful and cost-effective investments Hawaii can make. For every \$1 invested in family planning, Hawaii saves at least \$7 on unintended pregancy costs and long-term social costs that can be routed to other ciritcal services.

On a personal level, I know how critical family planning clinics are to our community, and to people everywhere. They helped me decades ago when I was a teenager, and I'm fighting now for my daughter and women everywhere to have the same rights, care and protection that I had years ago.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Ashley de Coligny

Kaneohe, HI

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 4:41:33 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
George Chyz	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I'm opposed to funding *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i. The complexity of nature is far beyond the comprehention of the human mind. The potential for negative effects are too great to experiment with mosquito releases anywhere and especially on inhabited islands.

Please end all funding for this poorly concieved experimental project.

Maholo,

George

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/14/2025 5:06:41 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Aulani Latorre-Holt	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support this QUEST rate increase for ABA, as a professional in this field!

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 5:22:05 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Scott Crawford	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I urge state funding to **support** novel strategies to address mosquito-borne avian malaria, including the incompatible insect technique currently being deployed on Maui and Kaua'i. This is an important effort to protect our endangered native forest birds from extinction, and buy time for other solutions to also be developed, as warming climate pushes the malaria-carrying mosquitoes further up into the forests.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 5:22:31 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Chelsea Gornichec	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

To whom it may concern,

Please support maintaining the increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) services in the budget. These enhanced payments are vital for ensuring that children with autism have continued access to high-quality, evidence-based care that supports their development and overall well-being. ABA is a proven, effective intervention that can significantly improve communication, social skills, and independence in children with autism, and it is crucial that funding for these services remains robust.

By maintaining these payments, we can ensure that providers are equipped to offer the best possible care, empowering families and helping children reach their full potential. Your support will make a lasting difference in the lives of children and families who rely on these services for growth, development, and future success.

Thank you,

Chelsea

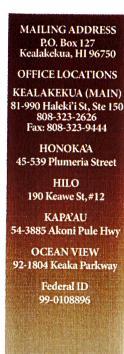
Submitted on: 3/14/2025 5:33:06 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Susan Horie	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I wish to state alarm and objection to the funding through HB300 HDI for release of Wolbachia bacteria-infected mosquitoes on Kauai and Maui. In my mind there is too much at stake here to proceed wholesale with a novel, untested and invasive procedure. Let's take the time to thoroughly study the potential impact of these mosquitoes instead of emotionally rushing pell mell into a theoretical solution that has the potential of wreaking havoc on our native ecosystem. We are told that there is no time and that something has to be done NOW. What is the guarantee that this something is not going to make things worse. My understanding is that there is no monitoring of the effectiveness of the releases that are now occurring. This is insane. Haven't we learned from a history of rash species introductions that there are unintended consequences? Brakes on, I implore you. Let us not be railroaded by emotional appeals with sloppy followup.



March 15, 2025

To: Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair Members of the Committee on Ways and Means

Date: March 18, 2025, 10:00 am, Room 211, State Capitol and Videoconference

RE: Testimony Supporting HB 300, HD1 HTH 501 – Developmental Disabilities, Page 25, Item No. 18

The Arc of Kona is a private non-profit organization that provides services to people with disabilities that encourage personal growth and quality of life through empowerment and choice throughout the Island of Hawaii. We support individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD) through the Medicaid 1915(c) Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver administered by the Department of Health, Developmental Disabilities Division. As the President/CEO of the Arc of Kona, I am writing on behalf of our organization and the people and families we serve to **strongly support budget item number 18 HTH 501 – Developmental Disabilities on page 25 of HB 300, HD1.** 

HTH 501 includes the addition of \$10,100,000 for FY 2026 and \$21,400,000 FY 2027 to increase urgently needed services through the Medicaid 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver for people with I/DD and their families.

#### Why This Funding is Critical

www.arcofkona.org

- Severe Workforce Shortage: Providers are unable to offer competitive wages to Direct Support Professionals (DSPs), leading to a crisis in care.
- **Inadequate Reimbursement Rates:** Rates have not kept pace with rising costs, putting services at risk.
- Rate Study Findings: After the 2026 minimum wage increase, service costs will be 24% higher than current reimbursement rates. Federal Medicaid requires sufficient rates to ensure access to care.





- Access & Equity: Funding supports workforce development, improves access on neighbor islands, expands employment opportunities, and increases residential options.
- Preventing Service Cuts: Without funding, providers may reduce services or serve fewer individuals, leaving families without support.
- **Avoiding Institutionalization:** Families should not have to choose between placing a loved one in a facility or leaving the workforce to provide care to their family member.
- Cost-Saving Measure: HCBS services save the state \$77,000 per person annually compared to institutional care. Medicaid Waiver funding also brings a \$0.48 federal match per state dollar invested, saving taxpayers \$300 million annually.

This funding is essential in keeping families together, preventing unnecessary institutionalization, and ensuring individuals with I/DD receive the support and assistance they need to live independent, self-determined lives.

Hawai'i's I/DD HCBS Waiver program serves **3,000 of our most vulnerable individuals** each year, supported by **1,900 DSPs** who help them fully participate in the community.

Thank you for your time and consideration, as well as the opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 300, HD1 HTH 501.

Sincerely,

Michele L. Ku

President and Chief Executive Officer

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/14/2025 6:03:47 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Rebecca Medeiros	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 6:06:16 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Tayler Gorgas	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 6:16:52 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Alex Samson	Testifying for Maui Behavioral Therapy	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis. This is a highly needed service for those with Autism within the State of Hawaii. We are already severely understaffed and have a high need of children within our population. Our role often goes outside of scheduled hours in creating stimuli, collaborating with other providers, creating and maintaining detailed reports and data tracking for insurance, and labor intensive sessions directly with clients. These rate increases are a help at setting a fair rate for our market and I strongly support maintaining this recent incerase.

Thank you for your time,

Alex Samson, BCBA

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 6:18:17 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kimberly Dark	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Kimberly Dark, and I live in Pahoa. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Kimberly Dark

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 6:26:26 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Carolyn Bruggeman	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

 $I'm\ opposed\ to\ Executive\ Budget\ funding\ through\ HB300\ for\ \textit{Wolbachia}\mbox{-bacteria-infected}\ mosquito\ releases\ on\ Maui\ and\ Kaua'i."$ 

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 7:27:44 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Spencer Dehnavi	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Supporting safety net care and family planning in Hawaii is a smart investment and improves the lives of our citizens.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 7:57:56 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By		Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
	Chuck Taylor	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I am asking the state legislature to invest in sexual and reproductive health care to make sure providers can continue to deliver care.

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 8:07:35 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify		
Greg Puppione	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only		

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Greg and I live in Honolulu. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 8:33:29 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify		
Nancy D Moser	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only		

#### Comments:

My opposition is specifically to the proposed \$30 million and more for planning and operating a new jail and expanding prison. Let's invest more in our communities, including for mental health care and permanent supported housing to divert more folks away from a need for incarceration.

Nancy Moser, resident of Waikoloa 96738

Submitted on: 3/14/2025 10:20:37 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Courteney Tse	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis to improve services for individuals with autism.



**KEITH A. REGAN** COMPTROLLER KA LUNA HOʻOMALU HANA LAULĀ

MEOH-LENG SILLIMAN DEPUTY COMPTROLLER KA HOPE LUNA HO'OMALU HANA LAULĀ

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DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES | KA 'OIHANA LOIHELU A LAWELAWE LAULĀ

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# WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF KEITH A. REGAN, COMPTROLLER REMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SER

DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES
TO THE

#### **COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS**

H.B. 300 H.D.1

MARCH 18, 2025, 10:00 AM CONFERENCE ROOM 211 AND VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE, STATE CAPITOL

#### RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill (H.B.) 300, H.D. 1, Relating to the State Budget, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) **supports** the adjustments to the Governor's executive budget as provided by H.B. 300, H.D. 1. We are seeking funding for critical needs in support of our goal to provide quality and consistency in the delivery of essential support services to other State departments and agencies. The following are highlights of our approved budget requests.

- I. Operating Budget Highlights of our Executive Operating Budget items included in this measure:
  - Adds \$1 in revolving fund ceiling in FY 26 and FY 27 for State Risk Management & Insurance Administration for the expenditure/distribution of insurance proceeds for the Maui wildfires recovery. We would respectfully request that this amount be restored to the original request of \$200,000,000 in revolving fund ceiling increase in FY 26 and FY 27.
  - Adds \$5,000,000 in FY 26 and FY 27 for Accounting Systems Development and Maintenance for Hawaii Information Portal (HIP) CherryRoad Enterprise expenditures.
  - Adds 6.00 permanent positions and \$2,920,548 in FY 26 and \$2,923,596 in FY

- 27 for Accounting Systems Development and Maintenance for supplemental resources to support the Enterprise Financial System (EFS) Project.
- Adds \$2,330,000 in FY 26 and \$3,200,000 in FY 27 for Enterprise Technology Services (ETS) for Microsoft Enterprise Agreement subscription.
- Adds 2.00 permanent positions and \$1,088,500 in FY 26 and \$1,167,000 in FY 27 to create a new Cemetery Management Office.
- Adds \$3,978,275 in FY 26 and \$125,000 in FY 27 for Office of Elections for Voting System contract, Digital Voter Information guide, and Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC).
- II. CIP Budget DAGS appreciates the support included for CIP in H.B. 300, H.D. 1 for the following items:
  - Adds \$35,000,000 in FY 26 for Enterprise Financial System, Statewide.
  - Adds \$20,000,000 in FY 26 and FY 27 for Lump Sum Maintenance of Existing Facilities, Public Works Division, Statewide.
  - Adds \$4,000,000 in FY 26 and \$2,000,000 in FY 27 for Lump Sum Health and Safety, Hawaii Wireless Interoperability Network, Statewide.
  - Adds \$2,000,000 in FY 26 for Planning for State Capitol Building Rehabilitation and Related Improvements, Oahu.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/15/2025 6:02:27 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By Organization		<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Alice Abellanida	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I oppose this bill. I strongly urge you to kill this bill.

## HB300 HD1- RELATING TO CTAHR's Waimānalo CARES Center @ Waimānalo Research Station and Magoon Research and Teaching Station

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee. Thank you for this opportunity to provide personal testimony in **strong support of HB300 HD1** relating to ongoing support for Waimānalo CARES Center @ Waimānalo Research Station and Magoon Research and Teaching Station at the University of Hawai'i, at Mānoa, College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resilience (CTAHR).

CTAHR, founding college of the University of Hawai'i in 1907, serves as a leader in agriculture, biological engineering, food science and human nutrition, fashion design and merchandising, biotechnology, natural resources and environmental management, and family resources.

To further advance the college in fulfilling the land-grant university's three-part mission of 1) teaching; 2) research, and 3) Extension, CTAHR requires capital improvement resources to address security, theft, innovation, and aging facilities. Work at these facilities help to establish new agricultural industries (cacao, māmaki, tumeric, industrial hemp, speciality crops, etc) and also work to safeguard existing industries from new and invasive pests and diseases (coffee berry borer, avocado lacebug, little fire ant, coconut rhinoceros beetle, banana bunchy top virus, etc.)

Similar to chefs having access to state-of-the-art facilities such as the Culinary Institute of the Pacific, doctors and nurses have teaching hospitals, athletes have stadiums, and teachers have classrooms, Hawai'i farmers depend on the science based research and farmer focused educational trainings conducted on CTAHR's research stations across the state to advance and sustain their diversified agriculture businesses. Capital improvement funds will go towards ensuring research data is safeguarded and help to advance CTAHR's teaching, research and extension facilities for years to come.

With 85-90% of our food imported, increasing food self-sufficiency is a state wide priority. Both, Waimānalo Research Station and Magoon Research and Teaching Station play vital roles in providing Hawai'i-specific, science-based information, which supports the Hawai'i State Legislature's Hawai'i 2050 Sustainability Plan, "to increase production and consumption of local foods and products, particularly agricultural products."

Legislative support is needed for much needed capital improvements to ensure the long-term sustainability of Hawai's diversified agriculture industry.

I believe that bill HB 300 HD1 has much merit. Ongoing funding to support CTAHR's teaching, research and Extension educational programs are crucial to the sustainability of Hawaii's diversified agriculture. Thank you for the opportunity to express my strong personal support for HB300 HD1.

Jari Sugano, Personal testimony, UH CTAHR, O'ahu County Administrator and Alumni

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 8:01:17 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
marta greenleaf	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

This bill includes support for the mosquito releases that are meant to save native bird population decline.

The impacts to human and animal health have not been studied and weighed against the saving of native birds.

I oppose this bill moving forward at this time.



#### **COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS**

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

> Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 a.m. Conference Room 211 & Videoconference State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

#### Testimony in Strong Support of House Bill 300 H.D.1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

Adjusts and requests appropriations for fiscal biennium 2025-2027 funding requirements for operations and capital improvement projects of Executive Branch agencies and programs.

Edward N. Chu
President and Chief Executive Officer
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) Corporate Board of Directors, thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in <u>support with requested amendments</u> to H.B. 300 H.D.1 that adjusts and requests appropriations for fiscal biennium 2025-2027 funding requirements for operations and capital improvement projects of Executive Branch agencies and programs.

#### **Background**

Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) plays a vital role in the healthcare delivery system for the State of Hawaii. In fiscal year 2024, HHSC's acute discharges for the four HHSC regions were 14,017, which accounts for approximately 13% of all acute care discharges in the State of Hawaii. In fiscal year 2024, HHSC's emergency department visits for the four HHSC regions were 91,459, representing approximately 19% of all emergency department visits statewide.

The impact of HHSC's facilities on the neighbor islands is even more impressive.

• For residents of the County of Hawaii, HHSC's facilities cared for over 70% of all acute care discharges and 81% of all emergency department visits.

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• For residents of the County of Kauai, HHSC's facilities cared for approximately 22% of all acute care discharges and 40% of all emergency department visits.

#### **HHSC Budget Request**

#### HHSC-Regions Fiscal Years 2026-2027 Budget Request (HTH210 & 212)

Please note that the funding amounts and requests under HTH 212 do not include the Oahu Region of HHSC, as Act 248, SLH 2022, established a new organization code for the HHSC-Oahu Region (HTH 215). As a result, HTH 212 (HHSC-Regions) is now comprised of the HHSC East Hawaii, West Hawaii, and Kauai Regions.

For fiscal year 2024, the HTH 212 general fund appropriation represented approximately 22% of total expenditures (including both operating and non-operating expenses). The requested HTH 212 general fund appropriations for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 are projected to be about 24% and 22%, respectively, of total expenditures. Maintaining this funding ratio consistent with prior years is a notable accomplishment considering the significant increases in costs over the years.

The amount of HHSC's request appears larger than it would normally be because the ARPA funds and general fund appropriations HHSC received in fiscal years 2022 and 2023 and additional general fund appropriations in fiscal year 2025 were marked as nonrecurring. These nonrecurring amounts total approximately \$76 million that was reduced from HHSC's fiscal year 2024 and 2025 funding amounts resulting in a base is that is below this year's expenditures. The justification for HHSC's requests are shown below:

	HTH212		
	FY 26	FY 27	
Base Budget per B&F	84,047,903	84,047,903	
Justification for Additional Funding Requests:			
Restoration of ARPA Funds Provided to Maui Health System in FY 23	8,923,000	8,923,000	
Restoration of ARPA (V Funds) Provided in FY 22 and FY 23	32,315,400	32,315,400	
Restoration of Additional General Fund (A Fund) Appropriations provided in FY 25	35,000,000	35,000,000	
Loss of Enhanced Uncompensated Care Revenue	938,000	-	
Unfunded Collective Bargaining Raises from Prior Year FY 25	12,415,000	12,415,000	
Unfunded Fringe Benefit Rate Increases from Prior Year FY 25	31,653,000	31,653,000	
IT Infrastructure	13,230,000	2,282,000	
Net Regional Initiatives less Inflation	(1,985,000)	(6,820,000)	
Total Additional Funding Requests	132,489,400	115,768,400	
Total General Fund Appropriations Requested	216,537,303	199,816,303	

Details for the loss of supplemental pandemic related funding are as follows: First, HHSC received Federal Provider Relief Fund grants totaling approximately \$63.5 million from fiscal year 2020 through fiscal year 2022 that provided HHSC with the working capital needed to lower its general fund appropriation needs in fiscal years 2022 and 2023. In addition, HHSC received \$19.8 million in SBA Paycheck Protection Program loans, which also lowered the need for HHSC to receive general fund appropriations in fiscal years 2022 and 2023. A third factor are the changes in the DHS uncompensated care payments of \$19.2 million to HHSC was a result of the federal Coronavirus state of emergency.

These federal funds helped to finance the State mandated increases in fringe benefit rates and prior unfunded collective bargaining raises during fiscal years 2022 and 2023. Together, federal funds received provided approximately \$102 million in funding that would otherwise have to come out of general fund appropriations. These federal funds do not even address the increase in costs associated with the unfunded mandates such as healthcare inflation costs, collective bargaining pay and fringe benefit rate increases for fiscal years 2024 to 2027.

For example, HHSC labor costs are well above industry norms with a fringe benefit rate of 64% as a state agency, compared to the average private Hawaii hospital fringe benefit rate of 30%. Based on HHSC's salaries expense, that difference alone represents \$90 million of HHSC's need for general fund appropriations.

In November 2025, the East Hawaii region will be implementing a new electronic medical record (EMR) system that will meet the needs of its providers and staff, providing a platform with enhanced workflows, functionality, and the ability to collaborate with other hospitals within Hawaii. The \$13.2 million in fiscal year 2026 and \$2.3 million in fiscal year 2027 for information technology (IT) infrastructure costs represent the resource costs needed to build and support the system on an ongoing basis. There are other HHSC regions exploring the opportunity to join the EMR system at a future date.

A summary of the amounts appropriated for fiscal years 2024 and 2025, the total funding requested by HHSC-Regions for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, Governor's decision for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, and HB300 HD1 results for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 are summarized below.

HTH 210, 212: HHSC REGIONS, CORPORATE OFFICE								
W 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10			<b>HHSC FY 2026</b>	HHSC FY 2027	HHSC FY 2026	HHSC FY 2027	HHSC FY 2026	HHSC FY 2027
Funding Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	Request	Request	Gov Dec	Gov Dec	HB300 HD1	HB300 HD1
General Fund Appropriations for Operations (A Funds)	160,286,303	160,286,303	216,537,303	199,816,303	151,363,303	151,363,303	164,593,303	153,645,303
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CIP APPROPRIATIONS								
General Obligation Bonds	25,947,000	31,783,000	53,944,000	58,259,000	39,339,000	41,209,000	28,839,000	53,709,000
General Funds	64,300,000	15,500,000	-	=	1 <del>-</del> 1			-
TOTAL CIP APPROPRIATIONS	90,247,000	47,283,000	78,583,000	58,259,000	39,339,000	41,209,000	28,839,000	53,709,000

In conclusion, HHSC is unable to keep up with collective bargaining pay increases and future mandated increases in the fringe rate for pension and retiree health insurance costs (OPEB). Access to high-quality healthcare services in Hawaii's rural communities is a growing need and HHSC is uniquely positioned to meet the State of Hawaii's constitutional obligation to ensure that those communities receive the healthcare services they deserve as citizens of the State of Hawaii. HHSC is respectfully requesting approval of its <u>full funding request at a total funding level of \$216,537,303 in fiscal year 2026 and \$199,816,303 in fiscal year 2027</u>.

Impact of Potential Federal Cuts and Other Actions

With the recent shift in Federal administration and the federal budget reconciliation process, healthcare providers are very concerned with potential changes in funding, regulations, and healthcare policies, which could affect access to care, financial stability, and operational practices. The changes in federal funding for Medicare and Medicaid could lead to reduced reimbursement rates, affecting hospital revenues, or cuts in supplemental payments. Medicare and Medicaid make up 74 percent of HHSC revenues and so any reduction in federal funding for these government payors will have a substantial financial impact to HHSC facilities.

The biggest impact to HHSC from potential cuts to the State MedQUEST program would be the potential loss of uncompensated care funds. HHSC receives approximately \$60 million annually in revenue through the public hospital uncompensated care pool, which provides federal funds to partially subsidize HHSC's losses from providing care to Medicaid, MedQUEST, and uninsured patients. The Federal administration is currently scrutinizing these state-directed payments as a possible way to reduce federal Medicaid spending. Should the Federal administration decide to put a stop to the state-directed payment method, HHSC would work with the State MedQUEST program to develop a new method of obtaining federal funding for this financially underserved patient population. However, this new method would take time to develop and would require approval from the Federal administration before a new method could be implemented. Moreover, many experts believe that the states' federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) will be a target for cuts, which directly affects the uncompensated care funding calculation. For HHSC, a reduction in the FMAP by 10% could result in a \$6 million decrease in uncompensated care funding.

It is difficult to quantify some of the direct impacts to potential cuts to MedQUEST funding, but if the ability of MedQUEST to provide coverage to its current membership is compromised, the impact to HHSC could be a shift in payment status from MedQUEST coverage to uninsured, which would have a negative impact on HHSC reimbursements.

Based on potential Medicare cuts identified by MedPAC (the nonpartisan independent legislative branch agency that provides Congress with policy advice on the Medicare program), the Congressional Budget Office, and the Office of Inspector General, the potential decrease in Medicare payments for our HHSC facilities over the next ten years could be as much as \$291 million. The largest impact of these potential cuts would come from the elimination of enhanced payments to Hilo Benioff Medical Center and Kona Community Hospital as a result of their Sole Community Hospital designation, which would decrease funding by \$14.6 million in fiscal year 2026 and \$15.4 million in fiscal year 2027 and \$167.3 million over ten years (2026-2035). The expiration of the expanded Low Volume Hospital (LVH) adjustment program would negatively impact HHSC by \$1 million in both fiscal years 2026 and 2027, with a decrease of \$11.1 million over ten years. The potential elimination of the enhanced reimbursement for critical access hospitals (CAH) would be devastating to access to care in Hawaii's rural communities, as HHSC operates five CAH facilities on the islands of Hawaii and Kauai. HHSC's CAH facilities could see decreases in funding of \$7.2 million in fiscal year 2026 and \$8.1 million in fiscal year 2027, with a total of \$86.8 million over ten years.

On March 4, 2025, the Federal Administration imposed a 25% tariff on imports from Canada and Mexico, and a 10% tariff on goods from China. However, the tariff on Chinese imports was increased to 20%. On March 6, the 25% tariffs on Canada and Mexico were suspended, with exemptions set to expire on April 2. Additionally, tariffs of 25% on steel and aluminum imports are scheduled to take effect on March 12, with Canada and Mexico being the top exporters to U.S. markets.

The healthcare industry heavily depends on imports from Canada, China, and Mexico, including pharmaceutical ingredients and medical devices. Hospitals also rely on imported supplies such as gowns, gloves, syringes, and larger equipment like CT scanners and X-ray machines. These new tariffs are expected to drive up healthcare costs, disrupt supply chains, and ultimately make care less affordable for patients. For HHSC's spending on critical supply items such as food, pharmacy, purchased services, capital, lab, and other supplies, HHSC's conservative estimate of the impact of the tariffs are an increase in costs between \$1 million to \$1.6 million annually.

Other concerns that could have a negative impact on our HHSC facilities include a pause or reduction in federal grants and financial assistance, changes to the 340B drug discount pricing program, changes to telehealth policy, and increased regulatory burdens and compliance costs instead of focus on patient care.

It is important to note that the impacts listed above regarding federal cuts and other actions are **not** included in our current funding request for fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

#### Capital Request

For HTH 212, HHSC-Regions, lump sum capital appropriations for the Hawaii Region of \$5,500,000 for fiscal year 2026 and \$4,300,000 for fiscal year 2027 will not meet our needs to support the maintenance of our aging facilities and renovation and expansion of our facilities on Hawaii Island. HHSC is requesting total funding of \$10,500,000 for fiscal year 2026 and \$8,350,000 in lump sum capital appropriations for fiscal year 2027 for the Hawaii Region.

#### Oahu Region Fiscal Years 2026-2027 Budget Request (HTH 215)

A summary of the amounts appropriated for fiscal years 2024 and 2025, the total funding requested by HHSC-Oahu Region for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, Governor's decision for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, and HB300 HD1 results for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 are summarized below.

HTH 215: OAHU REGION								
			Oahu Region	Oahu Region				
1000 000 000 000 000 100			FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2026	FY 2027	<b>HHSC FY 2026</b>	HHSC FY 2027
Funding Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	Request	Request	Gov Dec	Gov Dec	HB300 HD1	HB300 HD1
General Fund Appropriations for Operations (A Funds)	20,189,000	23,372,000	8,000,000	14,000,000	8,000,000	14,000,000	8,000,000	14,000,000
CIP APPROPRIATIONS								
General Obligation Bonds	2,000,000	500,000	5,600,000	5,110,000	5,600,000	5,110,000	5,600,000	5,110,000
General Funds	3,000,000	3,000,000						
TOTAL CIP APPROPRIATIONS	5,000,000	3,500,000	9,700,000	5,110,000	5,600,000	5,110,000	5,600,000	5,110,000

HHSC-Oahu Region is in **strong support** of the funding provided to HTH 215 in H.B.300 H.D.1.

#### Kahuku Medical Center Fiscal Years 2026-2027 Budget Request (HTH 211)

A summary of the amounts appropriated for fiscal years 2024 and 2025, the total funding requested by Kahuku Medical Center for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, Governor's decision for fiscal years 2026 and 2027, and HB300 HD1 results for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 are summarized below.

HTH 211: KAHUKU MEDICAL CENTER			8					
		903	KMC	KMC	KMC	KMC	KMC	KMC
			FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2026	FY 2027	HHSC FY 2026	HHSC FY 2027
Funding Type	FY 2024	FY 2025	Request	Request	Gov Dec	Gov Dec	HB300 HD1	HB300 HD1
General Fund Appropriations for Operations (A Funds)	1,800,000	2,032,500	4,422,500	3,932,155	2,157,500	2,032,500	2,032,500	2,032,500
CIP APPROPRIATIONS								
General Obligation Bonds	-	3-8	13,135,000	36,000,000	5,800,000	5,000,000	5,800,000	5,000,000
General Funds	1,000,000	5,000,000				-		
TOTAL CIP APPROPRIATIONS	1,000,000	5,000,000	10,000,000	36,000,000	5,800,000	5,000,000	5,800,000	5,000,000

Kahuku Medical Center will be providing a separate testimony for the amounts appropriated in H.B.300 H.D.1.

This testimony addresses only the amounts that would go to HTH 210, HTH 211, HTH 212, and HTH 215. We expect Maui Health System (HTH 214) to provide their own testimony for the amounts appropriated in this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure <u>in support with requested</u> <u>amendments.</u>

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/15/2025 8:11:23 AM Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Patricia Blair	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please ensure the safety and well-being of our entire community.

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 8:21:31 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Robin Rush	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

# I'm opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i.

No studies have been done on the potential significant impacts of these projects or on the serious risks to the health of our islands' people, wildlife, and 'āina. No environmental impact statement (EIS) has been completed for any island.

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 8:41:38 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mr. & Mrs. O'Neill	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I strongly oppose HB300. Please stop all funding regarding this mosquito project on Maui and Kauai. This is very poor science. It has never been tested and the impact on human health could be very harmful.

Please stop this madness.

Regards, Steve and Linda O'Neill

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 9:23:59 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kristin Clark	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

My name is Kristin Clark and I am a Hawaii resident living in Honolulu. I am writing to oppose HB 300 regarding funds for a new jail. We don't need money for another place for incarcerated people, we need that money to fund youth program that invest in the future. We need to create community and belonging for formerly incarcerated people so they believe in their worth. There are a multitude of evidenced-based programs we can use to prevent incarceration, build our youth, support those out on parole of exiting the system. Spend money on proactive things. We do not need another space to lock people away.

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 10:54:40 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Subn	nitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Heio	li Hirsh	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I oppose HB300. Please do not approve the release of millions of experimental *Wolbachia*-bacteria infected mosquitoes in our islands' conservation areas and fragile ecosystems. This is a detrimental to our precious environment and a complete risk to the degradation of the island ecosystems.

Please do not pass this bill for the continued, reckless adverse impact to the Hawaiian Islands.

Mahalo,

Heidi Hirsh

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 11:19:40 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Shay Chan Hodges	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 11:52:00 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kaiulani Cole	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Kaiulani Cole, and I live in Haiku, Maui. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration,

Kaiulani Cole

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 1:26:30 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mike Golojuch, Sr.	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support HB300. It is particularly important to maintain sexual and reproductive health care funding in the budget and continue our state's legacy of leadership in protecting access to family planning services. Please ensure that funding is maintained. Thank you.

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 2:10:15 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Alice Smith	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Sexual and reproductive health care is a necessity! As a physician it mortifies me that we have to pass a bill to protect what should be a basic human right.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/15/2025 2:11:58 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Giuliana Gasparin	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I testify in support of this bill

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 4:18:55 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted	l By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
jessica d	ias	Testifying for Free Citizens of Maunalua	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

**OPPOSE** 

No money for mosquitoes! You should have learned from egrets, mongoose, apple snails, anoles, regular mosquitoes, etc etc etc. This mosquito project is INSANE and we will all regret it.

Please only spend money to restore the people of Maui to their properties and homes.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/15/2025 4:37:48 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Chanara Caey Richmond	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I oppose HB300. Enough with the mosquitos! We are not lab rats. Chanara Richmond HD42.



COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 TIME: 10:00 AM Conference Room 211 & Videoconference State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

#### SUPPORT HB300 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

#### Honorable Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the Hawai'i Association for Behavior Analysis (HABA), we sincerely thank you for including Medicaid rate increases for Applied Behavioral Analysis services for children with autism in last year's budget bill. After nearly a decade of stagnant rates, 2025 finally brings an increase—but the funds that were passed were nonrecurring, meaning they are only secured for 2025. We urge you to maintain the appropriation for this included in the Executive Budget submitted for this year's budget bill to maintain the increased rates and prevent disruptions in services for families who depend on them. It is imperative we preserve health care payments now before any potential Medicaid cuts are made.

Applied Behavioral Analysis is a medically necessary service covered under QUEST for individuals under 21 with an autism diagnosis, as mandated by federal law through the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit (Social Security Act §1905(r)). EPSDT ensures that children receive comprehensive and necessary healthcare services, including Applied Behavioral Analysis, and remains a protected federal mandate. Given its focus on children, EPSDT funding is unlikely to face federal cuts if there are reductions to Medicaid. However, while the federal government requires coverage, states play a critical role in determining reimbursement rates and ensuring providers can continue offering services. Without adequate state funding, access to care remains limited, and families face significant barriers to obtaining the support their children need.

As noted in the recent Applied Behavioral Analysis rate study (DC233), providers continue to face workforce shortages due to low reimbursement rates, leading to long waitlists and limited access to services, particularly on neighbor islands. Some providers have even stopped accepting QUEST due to unsustainable rates. Without competitive reimbursement, families will continue to struggle to access the services their children desperately need.



The Legislature took an **important first step** by increasing rates last session, but these were just made available on 01/01/2025 and many providers are still working on their updated contracts with the QUEST health plans therefore not yet able to bill the increased rates. However, we know that without **maintaining these adjustments**, providers will not be able to offer competitive pay and will likely lose staff, resulting in families facing uncertainty about their children's care or being unable to access care at all. Investing in Applied Behavioral Analysis services now ensures children receive early intervention, reducing long-term costs and allowing them to **reach their full potential**.

We urge you to **maintain funds for QUEST Applied Behavioral Analysis rates in the DHS budget appropriations** to secure a **sustainable future** for Applied Behavioral Analysis services in Hawai'i. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Mahalo, Dr. Marija Čolić, BCBA, LBA Legislative Chair Hawai'i Association for Behavior Analysis Legislation@hawaiiaba.org

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 5:20:14 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mandy Chang	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

 $I'm\ opposed\ to\ Executive\ Budget\ funding\ through\ HB300\ for\ {\it Wolbachia}\mbox{-bacteria-infected}\ mosquito\ releases\ on\ Maui\ and\ Kaua'i.$ 

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 5:53:55 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jen	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I strongly oppose this funding. This is a very bad idea.

As you know, every time a inhabitant or guest of Hawaii lands in the state, they must fill out a form to state that they are not bringing any animals, plants or insects into Hawaii, that could upset the ecosystem. As one of the people who brought my cats into Hawaii, I can testify to the exhaustive steps taken to inusre the animals do not have rabies.

You do see the irony, yes?

Not only this, but the agencies releasing these lab-altered mosquitoes does not monitor the effects of the experimental mosquitoes on forest birds.

Can anyone explain the purpose of this experient in light of the non-scientific procedure happening thus far?

Seriously, stop with the nonsense. Help Lahaina victims above any other funding.

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 6:23:34 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Cheryl Rzonca	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I oppose HB300. We should not be funding release of dangerous mosquitos any where in our islands. We are not to be used a science experiments. Stop this now!

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 7:14:45 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Debbie Wyand	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Vote No.

HB300 includes reference to ridiculous strategies to address mosquito-borne avian malaria. Why even consider the release of **millions of experimental** *Wolbachia*-bacteria infected **mosquitoes** in our islands' conservation areas and fragile ecosystems. I strongly oppose funneling state budget resources into the continuation of this **reckless onslaught on our environment**.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/15/2025 7:18:22 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted	By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mabelle Bas	stien	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose this bill. Thank you.

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 8:25:09 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Dr Marion Ceruti	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Vote NO on this HB300. It will fund the release of **millions of experimental** *Wolbachia*-bacteria infected mosquitoes inti our islands' conservation areas and fragile ecosystems. I oppose using state budget resources to continue this **reckless onslaught on our environment**. Not that the entire remainder of the bill is perfect, but at least delete the line item regarding the mosquitoes. As the bill stands now it needs work and is not ready. Please, kokua, vote NO on HB300.

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 9:30:42 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Steven Forman	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please oppose this bill. It is too dangerous to use experimental GMO lab created mosquitoes

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 9:35:38 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Roxanne Earwood	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

We the People oppose the deliberate release of mosquitoes into our fragile ecosystems. And we certainly do not want to fund such a foolhardy endeavor. This is a no-brainer. No, no, no! Have our legislators lost their minds? This is terrible for Hawai'i. Duh!

Submitted on: 3/15/2025 9:50:15 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Amanda Kwiatkowski	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I strongly oppose Executive Budget funding through HB300 for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i. Please DO NOT do this.



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Written Statement of Sandi Kanemori

Interim Executive Director
Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation
before the
Senate Committee On Ways and Means
Tuesday, March 18, 2025
10:00 AM
Conference Room 211 & Videoconference
In consideration of
HB300 HD1

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee.

RELATING TO STATE BUDGET.

The Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) strongly SUPPORTS HB300 HD1, which adjusts and requests appropriations for fiscal biennium 2025-2026 funding requirements for operations and capital improvement projects of Executive Branch agencies and programs.

This bill includes allocations for grants through HTDC to support businesses via the Small Business Innovation Research (HSBIR) Grant Program, the Manufacturing Assistance Program (MAP), and the Small Business Training/Accelerator Program. These initiatives are instrumental in fostering technology advancement, economic diversification, and sustainable business growth for small to medium-sized enterprises in Hawai'i.

## Alignment with DBEDT's Economic Landscape Framework

HTDC is undergoing a comprehensive review and restructuring of its core programs—SBIR, MAP, and Accelerator—to align with DBEDT's Incubation to Maturity framework as outlined in The Economic Landscape of Hawai'i. This approach ensures that innovation-driven businesses are supported through every phase of growth, from research and development to commercialization and scale-up.

## **Small Business Innovation Research Program (HSBIR)**

The SBIR program has been instrumental in securing federal funding for Hawai'i-based companies, leveraging state investments to attract non-dilutive federal capital. Since 1989, HTDC has provided Phase I matching grants, and in FY16, expanded to Phase II and III matching grants. These investments have led to a 70% transition rate from Phase II to Phase III—far exceeding the national average.

As part of DBEDT's strategic vision, SBIR funding will be further integrated with HTDC's commercialization initiatives, ensuring that research-intensive businesses transition



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smoothly into scalable operations within Hawai'i's economy. This aligns with DBEDT's focus on strengthening economic anchors while cultivating high-growth industries such as advanced

A summary of the Phase II/III awards made by the matching grant program is listed below:

	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21/22	FY23	FY24
Appropriation	\$2MM	\$2MM	\$1MM	\$1.5MM	\$1MM		\$1.5MM	\$2MM
# of Applications	11	9	9	12	16		26	33
# of Awards	7	8	5	6	14		20	28
\$\$ Awarded	\$2MM	\$1.9MM	\$900K	\$1.4MM	\$900K		\$1.4MM	\$1.9MM
Federal SBIR \$\$ Match	\$7.9MM	\$10.9MM	\$8.0MM	\$11MM	\$53MM		\$20MM	\$31MM
Estimated New Jobs	17	70	15	135	509		243	335

The data indicates a consistent upward trend in the Federal funding awarded to the industry annually. Federal SBIR funds are highly competitive, with a fixed budget allocated each year. Consequently, the industry is securing federal funds for Hawai'i that might otherwise be awarded to companies in other states. Each year, the number of qualified applicants exceeds the available funding. Since the Phase II/III program's inception in FY16, no applicant has received the full eligible amount. Over time, this program is expected to produce similar success metrics as the Phase I matching program.

# **Manufacturing Development Program (MAP)**

manufacturing, energy technology, and creative media.

Recognizing the crucial role of manufacturing in Hawai'i's economic diversification, MAP is currently being reviewed and restructured to directly connect innovation with production capabilities. Through this restructuring, MAP will:

- Expand its scope beyond traditional manufacturing support to include technology commercialization and advanced production methods.
- Enhance integration with SBIR recipients, ensuring that research-driven businesses can scale their innovations into full-fledged production operations within Hawai'i.
- Align with DBEDT's Economic Landscape vision by supporting value-added manufacturing that enhances export potential, workforce development, and local supply chain resilience.

A summary of the awards made by the matching grant program is listed below:

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	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21/22	FY23	FY24
Appropriation	\$2MM	\$1MM	\$1MM	\$1MM	\$500K		\$1MM	\$2MM
# of Applications	82	42	51	69	45		86	69
# of Awards	51	25	29	37	18		69	62
\$\$ Awarded	\$2MM	\$932K	\$931K	\$899K	\$486K		\$1MM	\$1.7MM
Company Investment	\$31MM	\$5.5MM	\$13.6MM	\$13.4MM	\$9.0MM		\$25MM	\$95MM
Estimated New Jobs		353	230	465	281		419	895

Every year, there have been more qualified applicants than available funds. The funding awarded to companies provides a partial reimbursement (20%) for equipment upgrades and other eligible expenses.

HTDC's Innovate Hawai'i program will continue to provide technical assistance, business mentorship, and capacity-building support to MAP grantees, ensuring that local manufacturers are globally competitive.

### **Small Business Training & Accelerator Program**

Since 2018, HTDC has supported accelerator and training programs that serve as catalysts for new company formation within priority industry sectors. Moving forward, these programs will be restructured to:

- Create a more seamless pipeline from incubation to commercialization, ensuring businesses receive sustained support beyond initial launch phases.
- Expand collaboration with university-led incubators and private sector accelerators, strengthening DBEDT's Cradle to Career approach for workforce development.
- Integrate wrap-around services, such as investment readiness training, supply chain connections, and technology adoption support, to help early-stage businesses scale efficiently.

	FY24	FY25
Appropriation	\$2MM	\$1MM
# of Applications	13	15
# First Time Applicants	3	7
# of Awards	9	tbd
\$\$ Awarded	\$1.9MM	tbd
# of Companies Supported	450+	201+
Estimated New Jobs	900+	tbd

# Building Hawai'i's Innovation and Manufacturing Economy

HTDC's restructuring of SBIR, MAP, and Accelerator programs reflects DBEDT's broader mission of fostering a diversified and resilient economy. By aligning state resources with



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sector-specific initiatives—including the Creative Lab Manufacturing Center, the Food and Product Innovation Network, and advanced manufacturing—HTDC is ensuring that highpotential industries receive the layered support necessary for long-term success.

Hawai'i's economic landscape is at a pivotal moment, requiring targeted investments in innovation, infrastructure, and workforce readiness. HTDC remains committed to implementing a forward-looking strategy that strengthens Hawai'i's competitive advantages, enhances economic sustainability, and fosters a dynamic entrepreneurial ecosystem.

We appreciate the Committee's consideration of this measure and respectfully urge your support for HB300 HD1. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 1:21:42 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
dale chappell	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I'm opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i. Here are some of the reasons, as follows >

- Accidental release of female mosquitoes that bite, breed, and spread disease (EPA guidelines allow for the release of one female for every 250,000 males; just one female released can produce 160,000 more females through breeding of the generations in her lifespan; 3,103 females are allowed to be released weekly on Maui up to 6,000 mosquitoes released twice weekly per acre in the 64,666-acre project area: 6,000 x 2 x 64,666 = 775,992,000 mosquitoes divided by 250,000 equals 3,103 females weekly)
- Peer-reviewed studies showing *Wolbachia* bacteria can cause <u>increased pathogen</u> infection and disease-spreading capability in mosquitoes
- <u>Horizontal transmission</u> of *Wolbachia* bacteria to wild mosquitoes and other insect vectors of disease
- Population replacement of wild mosquitoes with lab-altered mosquitoes (as few as <u>three</u> females released can cause population replacement)
- Wind drift of released mosquitoes to unintended areas
- Lack of documented biosecurity protocols and pathogen screenings for the imported mosquitoes
- Risks to the health of people and animals, and the potential for the plan to cause the extinction of the native birds it is meant to protect.

Tropical disease and vector expert Dr. Lorrin Pang has testified as an expert witness.

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Thank you,

Dale Ann Chappell

long time Maui resident

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 6:02:41 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Steve LaFleur	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Stop this ridiculous and dangerous practice of releasing these mosquitos. Steve LaFleur

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 6:08:29 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Louise Maccabee	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

<sup>&</sup>quot;I'm opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i."

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 6:20:00 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Linda Miyata	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please vote NO on HB 300. Do not open the door to release **millions of experimental** *Wolbachia***-bacteria infected mosquitoes** in our islands' conservation areas and fragile ecosystems. This will cause more health problems for our ohana and you will be blamed. Please consider another alternate.

Mahalo for voting no,

Linda

# Hawai'i True Cost Coalition

Date: March 18, 2025

Re: **Support**, HB300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of the Hawai'i True Cost Coalition, we are writing in support of HB300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget.

The Hawai'i True Cost Coalition (TCC) represents over 70 nonprofit organizations serving more than 500,000 residents statewide. We advocate for sustainable government funding to cover the true costs of essential services provided by Hawai'i's community-based nonprofits (CBOs).

HB300 HD1 is crucial to maintaining services for vulnerable populations, including kupuna, children, individuals experiencing homelessness, and survivors of domestic violence. Without adequate funding, critical programs—such as health care, housing assistance, and legal aid—are at risk due to recent federal funding challenges.

This bill reinforces the state's commitment to Hawai'i's safety net by increasing funding for essential programs through the Department of Health, Department of Human Services, and Judiciary. These investments will support behavioral health services, food security initiatives, housing programs, legal aid, and much more.

Many CBO contracts have remained stagnant for over a decade, despite rising costs. Nonprofits have stretched their own limited resources to sustain these programs, but this is no longer sustainable. Increased state funding is necessary to ensure these services continue for those who rely on them.

HB300 HD1 is an investment in Hawai'i's people and future resilience. Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Adult Friends for Youth | Aloha Harvest | Aloha United Way (AUW) | AlohaCare | Arc of Kona | Big Brothers Big Sisters Hawaii | Blueprint for Change | Catholic Charities Hawaii | Child and Family Service | Community Alliance on Prisons | Domestic Violence Action Center | Easter Seals | Epic `Ohana | Family Promise of Hawai`i | Full Life | Girl Scouts of Hawaii | Going Home Hawaii | Goodwill Hawaii | Hale Kipa | Hale `Opio Kaua'i | Hawai`i International Film Festival | Hawai`i Alliance of Nonprofit Organizations (HANO) | Hawai`i Children's Action Network (HCAN ) | Hawai`i Food Bank | Hawai`i Health and Harm Reduction Center (HHHRC) | Hawai`i Meals On Wheels | Hawai`i Public Health Institute | Hawai`i Youth Services Network | Hawai`i State Coalition Against Domestic Violence | Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies | Hope Services Hawai`i | Imua Family Services | Institute for Human Services (IHS) | Kalamapi`i Play School | Kinai `Eha | Kumukahi Health and Wellness | Lanakila Pacific | Maui AIDS Foundation | Maui Economic Opportunity (MEO) | Maui Family Support Services | Mental Health Kokua | Mediation Center of the Pacific | Mindful Living Group | Nurturing Wahine Fund | Parents and Children Together (PACT) | Partners In Care (PIC) | Partners In Development Foundation (PIDF) | PATCH | Residential Youth Services and Empowerment (RYSE) | Responsive Caregivers of Hawai'i | Samaritan Counseling Center Hawaii | Share Your Mana | The Spirit Horse Ranch | U.S. Vets | Women Helping Women | YMCA of Honolulu



March 18, 2025

Senate Committee on Ways & Means Sen. Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair Sen. Sharon Moriwaki, Vice Chair Members of the Committee

Re: The Imperative of Allocating Adequate Funding to Protect Natural Resources

Support HB300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget

Aloha kākou,

On behalf of our coalition's leadership committee, we are writing in support of HB300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget. We are voicing our strong support for funding for natural resource protection and restoration. The Care for 'Āina Now Coalition is on a mission to conserve our cultural and natural resources and invest in our 'āina to keep our community safe.

The health of Hawai'i's environment is inextricably linked to the health of our people, communities, and future generations. Our natural and cultural resources provide over \$6 billion in value to our economy each year, and stewardship of these resources have been underfunded for decades. It's been estimated that we currently face a conservation funding gap of \$560 million per year. Today, this underinvestment continues to be a liability and risk to public safety. The more time that passes without healing our environment, the more lives, places, and communities are at risk of being harmed.

Our primary focus is adequate, permanent funding for the Department of Land and Natural Resources and community organizations to support stewardship and restoration of our natural resources. There are simple ways our State can safeguard our 'āina and people including passing legislation that ensures allocation of funds for wildfire prevention and ecosystem resilience. We will continue to advocate for measures that generate new funding sources to complement the expenditures the legislature will approve in the budget.

This coalition, which works on the frontlines of natural and cultural resource management across the State, applauds the legislature for continuing to consider these solutions. We urge you to consider the crucial need for sustainable, broad-based investment to meet the immense challenges our environment faces, offset the impact left by nearly 10 million annual visitors, and invest in the long-term health of our communities. Hawai'i's natural resources are invaluable to the livelihoods of our local residents and integral drivers of our statewide economy as well as our visitor industry.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this important measure.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 7:25:44 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jane Aquino	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 7:29:30 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Susan Collins	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/16/2025 7:39:40 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Sean Tanksley	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Sean Tanksley, and I live in Honokaa. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in HB300 that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 7:49:10 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Susan Stayton	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Susan Stayton, and I live in Lawai, Kauai. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in HB300 that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Susan

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 7:53:01 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Terri Gately	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:01:00 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Marcia A Armstrong	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:12:09 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Christine Dobrowolski	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

Please fund \$3 million in family planning for low-income patients.

Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail. We should be funding healthcare, public education, meals for low-income families, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Christine

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:15:24 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Sara Patton	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I'm opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i.

Since late 2023, DLNR and their partners *Birds*, *Not Mosquitoes* have released countless *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquitoes on the fragile ecosystems of Maui and Kaua'i. No studies have been done on the possible significant impacts of these projects or the serious risks to the health of our islands' people, wildlife, and 'āina. No environmental impact statement (EIS) has been completed for any island. The many risks to this project include:

- Accidental release of female mosquitoes that bite, breed, and spread
- Possible increased pathogen infection and disease-spreading capability
- Horizontal transmission of *Wolbachia* bacteria to wild mosquitoes and other insect vectors of disease
- Wind drift of released mosquitoes to unintended areas
- Lack of documented biosecurity protocols and pathogen screenings for the imported mosquitoes
- Risks to the health of people and animals, and the potential for the plan to cause the extinction of the native birds it is meant to protect

The agencies releasing these lab-altered mosquitoes have admitted that the plan does not include monitoring the effects of the experimental mosquitoes on forest birds. Since mass release of these mosquitoes began on Maui in November 2023, there has been no indication that the plan is even working for its intended purpose.

Deviations from the approved plan have also been occurring for over a year. Mosquitoes are being released solely by helicopter rather than by drone, increasing concerns about noise disturbances, disruptions to wildlife habitat, and the potential for collisions, accidents, and wildland fires. Helicopters appear to be flying closer to the tree canopy than the approved distance, increasing the potential for adverse impacts.

I ask that the legislature amend bill <u>HB300</u> to remove any State of Hawai'i Executive Budget funding allocations for programs and/or projects that include the release of *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquitoes. **Conservation efforts and funding must focus on more environmentally sound approaches like habitat and stream flow restoration,** which would honor the 'āina, the

culture, and the ancestral connections of the native birds rather than putting them at further risk of extinction.

Thank you for doing the right thing for our precious island and all its living things.

Sara Patton, 160 River Road, Wailuku, HI 96793

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:16:30 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Cheryl Bellamy	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:37:27 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Nandita Sharma	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:42:19 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Teresa Parsons	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

WAM Chair and Representatives,

I urge you to support the \$3 million for family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. In these uncertain times, we cannot afford to short change women's health. Women in low-income situations should not have to decide between reproductive healthcare and feeding their families.

Spend more on social programs to PREVENT the need for a new prison.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit comments on the budget.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:48:53 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Judy McCluskey	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and under-insured patients can continue to access reproductive healthcare.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:54:33 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Dorothy Norris	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Since the Federal funds for family planning are on the chopping block, we must pick up the slack. This investment helps sustain Hawaiian families and will pay off in better environment and health of our children. Mahalo!

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 9:22:12 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Gaye Chan	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be addressing social issues at the the level of roots cause by funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 9:25:38 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Janet Morse	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

The state needs to invest in sexual and reproductive health care to make sure providers can continue to deliver care.

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure that low-income and under-insured patients can continue to access reproductive healthcare.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/16/2025 9:29:19 AM Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mariano Castillo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose hb300

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 9:29:23 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Tasman Kekai Mattox	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC or \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison. It is much more affordable to support family planning and reproductive healthcare.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 9:42:56 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jennifer Baxter	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Jennifer Baxter, and I live in Kapaa. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in HB300 that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 9:43:16 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Susan Douglas	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 9:48:42 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Emily Thomas	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison!

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 9:52:09 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
JANE TOLLEFSRUD	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison. Thank you.

Hearing Date: Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 10:00 AM, Rm. 211

To: Committee on Ways and Means

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Re: TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 300, HD1

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Morikaki, and the Members of the Committees,

My name is Jean Evans, and I am **support of HB 300, HD1** which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for FY 2025-26 and 2026.

I am specifically requesting that the state legislature invest in sexual and reproductive health care to make sure providers can continue to deliver care by **funding \$3 million in family planning** to guarantee low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

Please include this important funding request in the State Budget. Mahalo for your consideration

Sincerely,

Jean Evans

Jean Evans

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:09:41 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Shayna Perkins	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:14:09 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ryan Perkins	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Hawai'i State Senate Ways and Means Committee Hearing March 18, 2025, at 10:00 AM

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Christine Andrews, and I live in Wailuku, Maui. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

I am also testifying in support of family planning funding via HB300.

Safety net providers are facing a perfect storm of rising health care costs, workforce shortages, and with increased abortion patient volumes, and providers across the country are struggling to keep up, leading to clinic closures, layoffs, and reduction of services. On top of these challenges, we all know the hostile administration in Washington, D.C. is threatening to make devastating cuts to critical health care services.

I am asking you to invest in sexual and reproductive health care to make sure providers can continue to deliver care. Your investment will help our community, and a lack of investment will create great harm.

#### Impact on Family Planning Services

- As the leading safety net family planning provider in Hawai'i, I request the state budget include \$3
  million in family planning monies, ensuring low-income and underinsured patients can continue
  accessing essential health care services.
- This funding is essential to maintain patients' access to safety-net planning services, including education, counseling, and access to contraception.

#### Why investing in sexual and reproductive health care is good for the community

- Sexual and reproductive health care is one of the most powerful and cost-effective investments Hawai'i can make.
- For every \$1 invested in family planning, Hawai'i saves at least \$7 on unintended pregnancy costs and long-term social costs that can be routed to other critical services.
- Any lack of investment in family planning safety net care exacerbates the disparities experienced by Medicaid Patients who have been systematically excluded and harmed, including Black, Indigenous and Native, and Latinx communities.

I encourage the Committee to make the right choice for Hawai'i, invest in our communities health, vibrancy and well-being. We do not need prisons, we need investment in the people of Hawai'i.

Mahalo,

Christine L. Andrews, J.D. Wailuku, Maui

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:27:45 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Donna Sue Shepherd	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Ccommittee Members,

Please oppose the super jail proposal. We can't afford the long term debt and their finally has to be a better way to reform law breakers. Vote NO on HB300!

Thank you for your service

Donna S Shepherd

Kailua Kona HI

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:37:21 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ashley King	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis. It supports organizations and clinicians and assures quality of these essential services provided to the community.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:45:14 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
martha chantiny	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison. Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC,

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:46:06 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Marty-Jean Bender	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:48:40 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Eunice M Werner	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please do not fund prison, fund families and social justice

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:48:53 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Leah Miller	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 11:00:48 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Cynthia J. Goto	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

• As the leading safety net family planning provider in Hawai'i, we request the state budget include \$3 million in family planning monies, ensuring low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing essential health care services.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 11:22:50 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kaitlin Preciado	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis (ABA) services. As a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA), I have witnessed firsthand how these services transform lives, helping children, adolescents, and adults gain essential communication, social, and independent living skills that enhance their quality of life. ABA is not just a treatment—it is a vital service that empowers individuals and families to build meaningful futures.

Maintaining increased QUEST provider payments is critical to ensuring access to services for families in need. Many families across Hawai'i rely on QUEST coverage for ABA therapy. Without adequate reimbursement rates, clinics may be forced to reduce services or close, leaving families without access to the critical interventions they need. This disproportionately affects underserved and rural communities, where access to specialized services is already limited. It is also essential to retain highly qualified providers. Hawai'i already faces a shortage of qualified BCBAs and RBTs. Maintaining QUEST provider payment increases ensures that we can retain skilled professionals, provide competitive wages, and continue to build a strong workforce dedicated to serving our keiki. If reimbursement rates decrease, providers may leave the field or relocate to other states, worsening waitlists and access gaps.

Ensuring high-quality, ethical care requires stable funding. ABA services require intensive, individualized programming and highly trained professionals to ensure ethical and effective treatment. Without adequate funding, providers may be forced to reduce service hours, compromise staff training, or limit supervision, all of which negatively impact the quality of care and outcomes for individuals receiving ABA services. Investing in early and consistent ABA intervention leads to greater independence, reduced need for long-term support services, and increased opportunities for education and employment. Research shows that quality ABA services reduce long-term costs associated with special education, residential care, and other support systems. Maintaining QUEST funding is not just an investment in individuals today—it is an investment in Hawai'i's future.

As a provider, I go above and beyond to ensure that families receive consistent, culturally responsive, and high-quality ABA services. This includes training and mentoring RBTs to strengthen the workforce, collaborating with schools and families to provide seamless, community-based care, and ensuring ethical, research-based interventions that promote meaningful progress for individuals of all abilities. But we cannot do this work without the

continued support of QUEST funding. Cutting reimbursement rates would place an enormous strain on providers and families, limiting access to services that so many rely on.

I urge the committee to support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for ABA services so that we can continue to serve Hawai'i's keiki, build a strong behavioral health workforce, and create a future where individuals with autism and developmental disabilities have the resources they need to thrive.



Dear, Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on HB300. AF3IRM Hawai'i respectfully asks the Committee to **please include \$3 million for family planning in the budget**. This funding will be the only way some low-income and underinsured patients can access essential health care. Among these patients are domestic violence victims and survivors that need other financial options to access reproductive care that does not threaten their confidentiality or safety.

With the rise in unemployment and economic strain, we absolutely will see domestic violence rates go up along with the need to rely on safety-net planning services. This funding is critical and any lack of investment in family planning safety-net care exacerbates the disparities experienced by Medicaid patients and those who are systemically underserved and have more barriers accessing resources. Black, Indigenous, women of color, LGBTQ+ folks, including survivors of domestic violence will be most impacted by a lack of investment.

Please pass HB300 with \$3 million for family planning so trusted providers like Planned Parenthood are able to continue to provide life saving care including education, counseling and access to contraception. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

Sincerely, AF3IRM Hawai'i

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 11:43:11 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Valerie Clack	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

As a stakeholder and a constituent with the best interests of our community at heart, I support maitnaining increased QUEST provider p payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 11:48:28 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mamiko Carroll	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Chair, Vice-Chair, and members of the committee,

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to support healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for the proposed new prison. It's better for all of us to fund and support ways to reduce the prison population through restorative justice, and that includes funding for healthcare, public education, and affordable housing.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments on this bill.

Senate District 23 House District 48

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 11:55:01 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jessica Kuzmier	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha, please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison. Mahalo.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 11:57:23 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Colleen Rost-Banik	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Colleen Rost-Banik, and I am a resident of Waikiki. I am also a Sociology Instructor at UH Manoa and a volunteer instructor for a Creative Writing Project at the Women's Community Correctional Center. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

The new super jail simply does not make sense; it is not needed. It significantly expands the capacity of the jail when many of the people in jail do not belong there. Roughly 40% of those in jail are houseless, many struggle with addiction, and many are held simply because they can't afford cash bail. These are not good reasons to be in jail. Investing in other forms of assistance is a much better use of our tax dollars, not to mention a much smarter way to keep our communities safe. Also, please recall that our state has already invested \$65 million in building jail facilities for women via the expantion project at the Women's Community Correctional Center. Investing another billion dollars in the carceral system rather than addressing the roots of why people are incarcerated is simply unethical and irresponsible on a number of levels.

As you well know, budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in and connected to cultural healing, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable for all.

Mahalo for your time and consideration. Colleen Rost-Banik, PhD

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 11:59:08 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Lisa Zure	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

I am 100% opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kauaʻi.

This approach is reckless and unacceptable! It has the potential to wreak havoc on the fragile ecosystems of these islands and on the human and wildlife populations living there! We say no!

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 12:34:02 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Sandy Ma	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 12:35:25 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Andrea L W Fruggiero	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to re place OCCC, \$10 million for a 10 year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 12:40:23 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Kanani Kai	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

"Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison."

Mahalo.

Kanani Kai

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 12:40:55 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Judith White	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

<sup>\*</sup>Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

<sup>\*</sup>Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 12:47:27 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Toni Flaherty	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

"Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare."

Ilima Ho-Lastimosa 41-1650 Kumuniu Street Waimanalo, Hawaii 96795 ilima888@gmail.com 808-499-5055

March 16, 2025

Senate Ways and Means Committee Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair and Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee,

Aloha Nui!

I am writing to express my strong support for including \$5.5 million for the Waimānalo CARES Center and \$6 million for the Magoon Research and Teaching Station in the state budget bill, HB 300, HD1. These allocations are crucial for our community and will significantly impact both the residents of Waimānalo and the broader educational and research efforts in Hawaii.

### Waimānalo CARES Center:

The Waimānalo CARES Center plays a vital role in providing essential services and support to the local community. This funding will enable the center to enhance its programs, expand its reach, and improve the quality of life for residents. By investing in this center, we are investing in the well-being and prosperity of our community.

### Magoon Research and Teaching Station:

The Magoon Research and Teaching Station is an important educational and research facility that contributes significantly to Hawaii's academic and environmental initiatives. This funding will support critical research projects, educational programs, and community engagement activities, ultimately benefiting both students and the broader community.

I urge you to approve these allocations as they represent a wise investment in our state's future. These projects align with the values of community support, education, and environmental stewardship that are essential to Hawaii's growth and prosperity.

Mahalo Nui for considering my testimony. I look forward to your support for these important initiatives.

Mahalo.

Ilima Ho-Lastimosa

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 1:38:18 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mary Lu Kelley	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Aloha. Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison."

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Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
KELEN R CASEY	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

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Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Candace C Casper	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison. We cannot allow our country to lose its soul. Our Federal Government doesn't care about anything we do any more, so we have to rely on the State of Hawaii.



March 18, 2025

### Testimony in support of HB 300 HD1, Relating to The State Budget

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members,

We write in support of HB 300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget Housing. Specifically, we write in support of funding a study of civil service position classifications and compensation and funding the modernization our tax system to allow for the IRS's Direct File Program to be used in Hawai'i.

Title Guaranty of Hawai'i is the oldest and largest title company in the state. We have been owned and operated by a kama'āina family since 1896 and we are proud to employ over 250 residents who work in our branches across the state.

Efficient government and financial stability for working families are key to a thriving local economy. The persistent vacancy crisis in state agencies slows permitting, licensing, and public assistance programs—delays that hurt both workers and businesses. Funding a comprehensive study regarding classifications and compensation is a necessary first step to filling these state jobs, which will create stable employment, ensure that essential services run smoothly, and allow families to focus on their jobs instead of bureaucratic backlogs.

Additionally, implementing the IRS Direct File program for Hawai'i residents would be a game-changer for working families and entrepreneurs. High tax preparation costs and predatory refund anticipation loans siphon money out of our communities. A free, streamlined tax-filing option means more families can save, invest, and spend locally, boosting small businesses. This item is a smart investment in affordability and economic growth.

Sincerely,

Mike B. Pietsch

President and Chief Operating Officer

Title Guaranty of Hawai'i



M^NA UP



# Statement of Meli James and Brittany Heyd Cofounders Mana Up

HB300 HD1, Relating to The State Budget

Aloha Chair Yamashita, Vice Chair Takenouchi, and Committee Members,

We support HB 300, The State Budget Bill. In particular, we support funding:

- 1. A civil service position classification and compensation study;
- 2. Consultant services to maintain Tax System Modernization (TSM) projects; and
- 3. Positions to establish a Tax System Modernization Office and integrate the Internal Revenue Services' Direct File Project with TSM.

Mana Up is a statewide initiative that helps provide entrepreneurs in Hawai'i with the resources and tools to grow their business and scale globally. As these entrepreneurs continue to grow, they also help contribute to our expanding our local economy. As part of our mission, we aim to sustain the local economy through economic diversification, local job creation, community giveback, investment, and a regenerative culture of entrepreneurship – providing a better future for generations to come here in Hawai'i.

These items provide critical funding to help reduce vacancies in state government jobs and implements the IRS Direct File program at the state level. Filling vacancies in state employment will improve essential public services, while Direct File will eliminate filing fees and maximize tax refunds for families who need them most.

At a time when families are struggling with rising costs, these items offer both immediate and long-term relief. A well-staffed state workforce means more efficient public services, from healthcare to housing assistance, reducing bureaucratic delays that can create financial hardship. Meanwhile, implementing the Direct File program ensures that every dollar earned by working families stays in their pockets, rather than being spent on tax preparation fees. Investing in these programs makes economic sense and strengthens the financial security of families across our state.

Sincerely,

Meli James | Cofounder, Mana Up Brittany Heyd | Cofounder, Mana Up



March 18, 2025

Committee: Senate Committee on Ways and Means Bill Number: HB300 HD1, Relating to The State Budget

Hearing Date and Time: March 18, 2025, 10:00am

Re: Testimony of HPM Building Supply in Support

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

I would like to submit this testimony in support of HB300 HD1, Relating to the State Budget. Specifically, I support the following budget items:

- 1. \$1,750,000 for FY 26 for the Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) to conduct a civil service position classification and compensation study;
- Adds \$338,150 for FY 26 and \$1,343,400 for FY 27 for consultant services to maintain Tax System Modernization (TSM) projects; and
- Adds 6.00 permanent positions and \$282,296 for FY 26 and 6.00 permanent positions and \$564,592 for FY 27 for the Department of Taxation (DOTAX) to establish a Tax System Modernization Office and integrate the Internal Revenue Services' Direct File Project with TSM.

HPM Building Supply is a 100% employee-owned company serving Hawaii's home improvement market and building industry for over 100 years since 1921. With 18 locations across Hawai'i and Washington State, HPM offers various services and products, including retail stores, building supply and lumber yards, home design centers, drafting and design services, and manufacturing facilities. HPM is dedicated to enhancing homes, improving lives, and transforming communities.

Ensuring our state remains affordable for working families requires bold action to strengthen economic security. Today, thousands of state government jobs remain vacant, leading to reduced services and economic instability for our communities. By investing in a study to modernize our civil servant position classification and compensation can improve recruitment and retention efforts, which will help connect residents with stable, middle-class careers that offer competitive wages, benefits, and long-term financial security. Filling these positions will also improve essential services that working families rely on, from education to public safety.

Additionally, implementing a state-level Direct File system would ease the financial burden of tax preparation, allowing families to file their taxes for free instead of paying costly private services. This initiative would put more money back into the pockets of hardworking residents—money that can go toward rent, groceries, and childcare instead of tax prep fees. Together, these programs will create pathways to economic stability.

Sincerely,

Jason Fujimoto Chairman & CEO



**HPMHAWAILCOM** 



### Testimony in Support of HB 300 HD1, Relating to The State Budget

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee,

We write in strong support of HB 300 HD1, specifically in support of the items to fund a study into the civil service position classifications and compensation, and to modernize our tax system to integrate the Internal Revenue Services' Direct File Project.

aio is a locally owned company with holdings across a broad range of industries. Our companies are purposedriven and firmly rooted in local values. At aio, Hawai'i is at our core, and through our products and services, we work hard to make Hawai'i a better place for future generations.

Hawai'i is in the midst of a cost-of-living crisis. Our employees are our greatest asset, and we want to ensure that they have access to quality public services. These items are a good first step at establishing efficient government services that will lessen the daily burden on local working families.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of HB 300 HD1.

Brandon Kurisu

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## TORI RICHARD

March 18, 2025

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee,

We write in support of two items in HB 300 HD1, funding (1) for a civil service position classification and compensation study, and (2) to integrate the Internal Revenue Services' Direct File Project with Tax System Modernization.

Tori Richard has manufactured in Honolulu for nearly 70 years, and we continue to proudly do so today. As a long-time medium-sized Hawai'i employer, we recognize the struggles facing many families in living comfortably in a place with a high cost of living, and how improving government efficiency can make the lives of residents a little easier.

Two areas in which HB 300 HD1 supports government efficiency in a way that will assist a thriving state economy. A thriving economy depends on a strong workforce and policies that reduce financial burdens on working families. The persistent vacancies in state government jobs mean thousands of residents are missing out on secure, well-paying career opportunities. Investing in a study that will ultimately help filling these roles will not only put more people to work but will also strengthen consumer spending, which directly benefits local businesses. When more residents have stable incomes, they can afford housing, childcare, and essential goods—boosting economic activity across our state.

Furthermore, implementing Direct File in Hawai'i would help working families and small business owners alike. By providing a free and streamlined way to file taxes, this initiative removes unnecessary costs and complexity from the tax system, reducing financial stress on residents. Families should not have to choose between paying for tax filing services and covering essential expenses. Supporting these items is a smart, cost-effective way to promote affordability and economic prosperity for all.

Sincerely,

Josh Feldman
President & CEO
Tori Richard, Ltd.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 2:39:24 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Andrea R. Haigh	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

I'm opposed to Hawai'i State Senators and House of Representatives to approve any Executive Budget funding through HB300 for Wolbachia-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i.

I'm opposed to ANY genetically modified mosquitos ....or unnatural mosquitoes of any kind, to be released on Maui and Kaua'i at any time, under any circumstances.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 2:40:48 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Alika Valdez	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 2:48:14 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Andrew Torres	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 2:50:02 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Carla Allison	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha,

My name is Carla Allison and I live in Honolulu. As a member of the Reimagining Public Safety in Hawai'i Coalition, I support a state budget that increases investments in services and programs that build safe and healthy communities.

We are respectfully requesting that you significantly increase investments in the following areas, proven by research and data to dramatically increase safety by diverting residents out of the criminal justice system and addressing the root causes of poverty, crime, and violence.

- Permanent supportive housing and transitional housing
- Community based mental health services
- Youth programs
- Vocational/employment training for living wage jobs
- Restorative Justice and Ho'oponopono

At least 40% of all people in jail in Hawai'i are homeless. There is consensus among justice system actors-including judges, prosecutors, and service providers- that people suffering from mental illness and substance abuse disorder should be diverted out of jail and into treatment and housing. This would dramatically shrink the jail population, **but to succeed, the state must fund diversion infrastructure.** 

We are also in a time of fiscal crisis, and the state cannot afford to adequately fund diversion while also spending enormous amounts on expanding jails and prisons. Given this reality, please remove appropriations for the following projects.

- \$30 MIL for planning and design of OCCC jail
- \$10 for DCR Statewide Master Plan
- Millions more for jail and prison expansion

As our elected representatives, you have the opportunity to finally move our state past the failed approach of funding more policing and incarceration which has not made us safer, toward the proven strategy of funding services and programs that address the root causes of poverty, crime, and violence.

Thank you.

Carla Allison - Honolulu

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 2:55:47 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Gail Morrison	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/16/2025 3:40:24 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Thaddeus Pham	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and WAM Committee Members,

As a taxpaying citizen concerned with wasteful expenditures, I write in STRONG OPPOSITION to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo,

Thaddeus Pham (he/him)

Makiki, HI

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 4:00:41 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
gabrielle davidson	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison. Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in.

### Waimānalo Hawaiian Homes Association 41-253 Ilauhole Street Waimānalo, HI 96795



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March 16, 2025

Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair Senate Ways and Means Committee Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Support for House Bill 300 HD1 with Specific Appropriations

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee,

The Waimānalo Hawaiian Homes Association (WHHA) has four purposes. Among them are the following: promoting the welfare of our members in home, school, church and community; raising the standards of home life of our members; and securing adequate laws for the care and protection of the property and children of our members. To those ends, we write in support for the inclusion of \$5.5 million for the Waimānalo CARES Center and \$6 million for the Magoon Research and Teaching Station in the State budget bill, HB 300 HD1. These allocations are crucial for our community and will have a significant positive impact on the residents of Waimānalo and the broader educational and research efforts in Hawaii.

**Waimānalo CARES Center.** The Waimānalo CARES Center plays a vital role in providing essential services and support to the local community. This funding will enable the center to enhance its programs, expand its reach, and improve the quality of life for residents. By investing in this center, we are investing in the well-being and prosperity of our community.

**Magoon Research and Teaching Station.** The Magoon Research and Teaching Station is an important educational and research facility that contributes significantly to Hawaii's academic and environmental initiatives. This funding will support critical research projects, educational programs, and community engagement activities, ultimately benefiting both students and the broader community.

WHHA urges you to approve these allocations as they represent a wise investment in our state's future and, more importantly, to our residents' future. These projects align with our purposes, including promoting welfare, raising the standards of home life, and the care and protection that are essential to our members' growth and prosperity.

Re: Support for House Bill 300 HD1 with Specific Appropriations Page 2 of 2

Thank you for considering this testimony. We look forward to your support for these important initiatives.

Mahalo,

Kenneth Ho, Jr., EdD

President

Waimānalo Hawaiian Homes Association

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 4:14:05 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
cheryl hendrickson	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please amend bill <u>HB300</u> to remove any State of Hawai'i Executive Budget funding allocations for programs and/or projects that include the release of *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquitoes.

No studies have been done on the potential significant impacts of these projects or on the serious risks to the health of our islands' people, wildlife, and 'āina. No environmental impact statement (EIS) has been completed for any island.

Conservation efforts and funding must focus on more environmentally sound approaches like habitat and stream flow restoration, which would honor the 'āina, the culture, and the ancestral connections of the native birds rather than putting them at further risk of extinction.

The agencies releasing these lab-altered mosquitoes have <u>admitted</u> that the plan does not include monitoring the effects of the experimental mosquitoes on forest birds.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 4:22:49 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Doris Segal Matsunaga	Testifying for Save Medicaid Hawaii	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Aloha,

Save Medicaid Hawaii supports including \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. During the first Trump administration, restrictions on the use of federal family planning funds were so onerous, controlling and ideological that many providers, including community health centers, withdrew from the program; the State of Hawaii eventually withdrew from the federal FP Program and the Legislature found state funds to only partially cover this loss. As you are well aware, the losses will likely be far steeper during Trump 2.0. And please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, nor \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, before funding a new prison.

Mahalo.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 4:56:04 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Charlene Johnsto	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Therefore, please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare and oppose the new \$30 million jail to replace OCCC.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/16/2025 5:10:49 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Somarrey Prum	Testifying for Mindful Behavior Analysis	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 5:12:30 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
sue feutz	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please consider the use of funds to include family planning - helping low income families to access birth control and child spacing - without that inclusion the state will be faced with more costs in caring for unwanted children and unwell children. - Save the rebuild of the jail for another time - Mahalo

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 5:43:16 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Beth Anderson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Dear Committee members,

Please support HB 300 and fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. This funding is essential to maintain patients' access to safety-net planning services, including education, counseling, and access to contraception.

Investing in sexual and reproductive health care is good for the community and patients and vitally important. For every \$1 invested in family planning, Hawai'i saves at least \$7 on unintended pregnancy costs and long-term social costs that can be routed to other critical services.

Thank you for supporting HB 300 and supporting reproductive healthcare for low-income, underinsured patients. HB 300 is a wise, humane, and cost effective investment in the health of our communities.

Beth Anderson, RN

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 6:03:32 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Andrea Simpliciano	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Hello,

I am requesting that you allocate at least \$3M of the state budget to financially support family planning and access to sexual and reproductive health resources for those who don't have insurance, are low-income, live in rural areas, and face additional systemic barriers such as racism, xenophobia, ableism, and homophobia, such as those who are Black, Native Hawaiian, Latinx, LGBTQ+, and disabled. At least \$7 for every \$1 invested in family planning can be saved for services such as community outreach, affordable housing, mental health, and reform. A concrete action could be financially supporting healthcare organizations such as the Hawai'i Health and Harm Reduction Center and the Planned Parenthood clinic just a few blocks away from the State Captiol that provide reproductive and sexual health services such as education, STI testing, contraceptives, and counseling.

I believe that the national government has failed to support the betterment of sexual and reproductive health by limiting access to unbiased information about human sexuality through funding abstinence-only programs, relying on conservative values on sex, and criminalizing, banning, and removing protections on abortion. This sends a message that sexuality is taboo and shameful to talk about, which can affect people's physical and mental wellbeing. Limiting access to information about LGBTQ+ identities, for example, can make someone who thinks they may be LGBTQ+ think negatively about themselves rather than feeling supported if they had resources that affirmed them. I think financially supporting resources for the betterment of sexual and reproductive health can help people decide if they want to have sex or not, which can be a solution for unplanned pregnancies and for those who are considering pregancy or are not ready to be pregnant, as pregnancy can be financially and time-consuming in preparing for and raising a child.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 6:08:23 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Julie and Thomas Pasquale	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, NOT a new prison.

Thank you

Testimony Presented Before the Senate Committee on Ways and Means March 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m., Room 211 and Via Video Conference

T. Samuel Shomaker, MD, Dean

Lee Buenconsejo-Lum, MD, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs John A. Burns School of Medicine University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

HB 300, HD1 – RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in SUPPORT of HB 300, HD1, specifically as it relates to the John A. Burns School of Medicine's (JABSOM) line item 110 and the additional state funding to ensure full coverage of JABSOM's Kaka'ako Health & Wellness revenue bond debt service payments. Full debt service coverage will mitigate potential medical school accreditation status forfeitures if future Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) annual allocations to UH continue to decline. The funding requested in HB 300, HD1 for the debt service is \$1.1M for fiscal year 2025-2026 and \$1.5M for fiscal year 2026-2027.

From the opening of the JABSOM Kaka'ako Health and Wellness campus in 2005, the Hawai'i State Legislature has awarded a portion of Hawaii's annual MSA funding to cover the medical school's Kaka'ako Health and Wellness campus revenue bond debt service. The National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG), who oversees the U.S.'s Tobacco MSA, predicted that the annual MSA payments to the participating states would decline over time. MSA payment levels are affected by U.S. inflation, U.S. cigarette and roll-your-own tobacco consumption, and cigarette manufacturers' income. NAAG has not published a forecasted future payment schedule; however, a few participating states (e.g., Colorado) have forecasted annual MSA state payment declines between 3% and 8% in any given year.

In April 2024, the MSA payment to Hawaiʻi of \$36,425,172.62 was 11% less than the prior year's payment of \$40,862,842.25. Due to this MSA payment reduction, for the first time, the medical school's annual MSA allocation of \$8,833,034.88 will not fully cover the medical school's FY2025 bond debt service obligation of \$9,395,723 (i.e., a shortage of \$562,688). The medical school's Kaka'ako Health and Wellness revenue bond debt service payments end on July 1, 2033.

If the April 2025 MSA payment declines by 11% or higher, the medical school will be forced to use its tuition allocation. The use of our tuition allocation for debt service will reduce faculty and staff personnel due to the lack of compensation coverage (i.e., it is equivalent to 14 teaching faculty or 27 academic support staff or a combination

of both). Loss of medical school personnel will pose a threat to the medical school's accreditation for its medical students from the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) and accreditation for its MD resident trainee programs from the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). Continued accreditation is essential to support medical school student enrollment (e.g., all degrees and residency programs), research opportunities, community service, health systems support, and the medical school's ability to increase the physician workforce for Hawai'i.

JABSOM is training more students than ever before. Faced with a physician shortage of about 750 physicians in the state when compared to other continental US jurisdictions, we expanded our class size to help meet the worsening doctor shortage. Our third-year medical students now have the option of doing part of their training in Hilo, West Hawai'i and North Hawai'i, Maui and Kaua'i. First-year and fourth-year medical students have the opportunity for elective rotations on the islands of Hawai'i, Maui, Kaua'i and Moloka'i. Nearly two thirds of our graduates will remain in Hawai'i to practice medicine, one of the nation's highest retention rates. These are bold steps taken to realize the dream of former Governor Burns to allow Hawai'i's children to become some of Hawai'i's most valuable citizens, i.e., those who commit their lives to improve the health of others.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 6:35:12 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Cheyenne F Chavez	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 6:39:05 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kathy Shimata	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

My name is Kathy Shimata & I live in Honolulu.

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Mahalo,

Kathy Shimata

Honolulu. 96822

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 7:04:46 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Eliel Starbright	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

I oppose Current strategies that are focused on the release of millions of experimental Wolbachia-bacteria infected mosquitoes in our islands' conservation areas and fragile ecosystems. I oppose funneling state budget resources into the continuation of this reckless onslaught on our environment. Thank You Eliel, 96746

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 7:34:55 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Belinda pate	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

"Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison."

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 7:50:02 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jesse Hutchison	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 7:56:51 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
B.A. McClintock	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:21:02 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Jean mcIntosh	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

"Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

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Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Elizabeth Hansen	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha / I am requesting that the state budget include \$3 million in family planning monies, ensuring low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing essential health care services.

• This funding is essential to maintain patients' access to safety-net planning services, including education, counseling, and access to contraception.

Why investing in sexual and reproductive health care is good for the community

- Sexual and reproductive health care is one of the most powerful and cost-effective investments Hawai'i can make.
- For every \$1 invested in family planning, Hawai'i saves at least \$7 on unintended pregnancy costs and long-term social costs that can be routed to other critical services.
- Any lack of investment in family planning safety net care exacerbates the disparities experienced by Medicaid Patients who have been systematically excluded and harmed, including Black, Indigenous and Native, and Latinx communities.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:22:48 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Rodger Hansen	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha / It is important that the state budget include \$3 million in family planning monies, ensuring low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing essential health care services.

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Mahalo for your consideration.

To: Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Moriwaki, Vice Chair and Members of the Committee on Ways and Means

From: Jeanne Y. Ohta

RE: HB 300 HD1 Relating to the State Budget

POSITION: SUPPORT

I am writing to request that the state budget provides funding for family planning services to ensure that low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing essential services by local providers. This funding is needed to maintain patients' access to safety-net planning services, including education, counseling, and access to contraception.

Providing sexual and reproductive health care is cost effective. For every \$1 invested in family planning, Hawai'i saves at least \$7 on unintended pregnancy costs and long-term social costs that can be routed to other critical services.

Reducing support for family planning safety net care compounds the disparities experienced by Medicaid patients who are systematically marginalized, increasing harms to their health.

I respectfully ask the committee to include \$3 million for family planning in our state budget. Thank you for the opportunity to provide my testimony in support of family planning.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:29:19 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Tiare Smith	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

\*\*Testimony in Opposition to HB300 – Department of Land and Natural Resources Budget for 2025-27\*\*

To the Honorable Members of the Hawai'i State Legislature,

I am Tiare Smith, a Native Hawaiian born and raised in Kahalu'u, O'ahu, where I have resided for 45 years. As a kama'āina deeply rooted in this 'āina, I write to oppose HB300, which allocates state funding through the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) Executive Budget for 2025-27 to perpetuate experimental mosquito release programs on Maui and Kaua'i. While I acknowledge the urgent need to address avian malaria's devastating impact on our native forest birds, I find the proposed strategy—releasing millions of Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes into our fragile ecosystems—precipitously reckless, scientifically questionable, and antithetical to the principles of environmental justice and cultural stewardship that define our Hawaiian heritage. Below, I outline the pros and cons of this bill and propose alternative solutions that prioritize safety, efficacy, cost-effectiveness, and equity.

#### ### Pros of HB300

- 1. \*\*Conservation Intent\*\*: The bill reflects a commendable commitment to combating avian malaria, a mosquito-borne disease that has driven many Hawaiian honeycreepers to the brink of extinction. Species like the 'akikiki and kiwikiu face imminent loss without intervention.
- 2. \*\*Innovative Approach\*\*: The use of Wolbachia-based Incompatible Insect Technique (IIT) represents a novel strategy, leveraging a naturally occurring bacterium to suppress mosquito populations. Successful precedents in human disease control (e.g., dengue suppression in Australia) suggest potential efficacy.
- 3. \*\*Federal Collaboration\*\*: The DLNR's partnership with agencies like the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service indicates a coordinated effort, potentially amplifying resources and expertise.

#### ### Cons of HB300

1. \*\*Environmental Risk\*\*: Releasing millions of experimental mosquitoes into conservation areas—such as the Alaka'i Wilderness and Haleakalā National Park—threatens fragile ecosystems already burdened by invasive species. The long-term ecological consequences of

introducing Wolbachia-altered organisms remain inadequately studied, risking unintended disruptions to native flora and fauna.

- 2. \*\*Scientific Uncertainty\*\*: While IIT has shown promise elsewhere, its application to avian malaria in Hawai'i's unique ecosystems lacks robust, localized data. A 2014 study noted that Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes may, under certain conditions, enhance malaria transmission—a possibility dismissed too cavalierly by proponents. This uncertainty undermines claims of efficacy.
- 3. \*\*Cost Inefficiency\*\*: The budget allocation for rearing, transporting, and releasing millions of mosquitoes via drones and helicopters is exorbitant. Preliminary estimates suggest costs in the millions annually, diverting funds from proven conservation methods.
- 4. \*\*Equity and Cultural Disenfranchisement\*\*: Native Hawaiian communities, like mine in Kahalu'u, have not been meaningfully consulted. This top-down approach sidelines our voices, violating the principle of kuleana and our right to steward the 'āina. The potential for ecological harm further threatens cultural practices tied to healthy ecosystems.

#### ### Detailed Solutions to Address the Cons

To mitigate these concerns, I propose the following alternatives, which align with safety, efficacy, cost-effectiveness, and equity while safeguarding our native birds and ecosystems:

- 1. \*\*Enhanced Predator and Habitat Management (Safety and Efficacy)\*\*
- \*\*Solution\*\*: Intensify efforts to control rats and feral pigs, which exacerbate avian malaria by creating mosquito breeding sites and preying on bird nests. Deploy targeted trapping and fencing in key conservation areas.
- \*\*Cost-Effectiveness\*\*: Rat traps cost approximately \$5–\$10 each, and fencing averages \$20–\$30 per linear foot. A \$500,000 investment could secure 5,000 traps and 10 miles of fencing, protecting 10,000 acres—far less than the millions required for mosquito releases.
- \*\*Equity\*\*: Engage local hunters and community groups in predator control, fostering economic opportunities and cultural participation.
- \*\*Impact\*\*: Reducing breeding sites directly lowers mosquito populations, complementing bird survival without experimental risks.
- 2. \*\*Natural Vector Control via Native Species (Safety and Efficacy)\*\*
- \*\*Solution\*\*: Introduce or bolster populations of native predators like the Hawaiian damselfly (Megalagrion spp.), which prey on mosquito larvae. Pilot projects could test their reintroduction in wetlands near conservation zones.

- \*\*Cost-Effectiveness\*\*: Rearing and releasing damselflies costs an estimated \$50,000 per site, with a one-time investment yielding self-sustaining populations—saving millions over recurring mosquito releases.
- \*\*Equity\*\*: Partner with Native Hawaiian scientists and cultural practitioners to oversee restoration, ensuring alignment with traditional ecological knowledge.
- \*\*Impact\*\*: This leverages natural systems, avoiding synthetic interventions while supporting biodiversity.
- 3. \*\*Community-Driven Monitoring and Research (Cost-Effectiveness and Equity)\*\*
- \*\*Solution\*\*: Fund citizen science programs to monitor mosquito and bird populations, paired with university-led studies on avian malaria resistance. Allocate resources to explore genetic resilience in honeycreepers rather than altering mosquitoes.
- \*\*Cost-Effectiveness\*\*: A \$200,000 annual grant could train 100 community members and support graduate research, yielding data at a fraction of IIT's cost (estimated at \$5-\$10 million yearly).
- \*\*Equity\*\*: Empower rural and Native Hawaiian communities with paid roles, ensuring their voices shape policy and science.
- \*\*Impact\*\*: This builds long-term capacity and prioritizes non-invasive solutions, reducing ecological risk.
- 4. \*\*Legislative Oversight and Impact Assessment (Safety and Equity)\*\*
- \*\*Solution\*\*: Mandate a comprehensive Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) before further funding, as opposed to the less rigorous Environmental Assessment used thus far. Require public hearings in affected communities.
- \*\*Cost-Effectiveness\*\*: An EIS costs \$100,000–\$200,000, a modest price for informed decision-making that could prevent billions in ecological damage.
- \*\*Equity\*\*: Ensure Native Hawaiian representation on review panels, rectifying the disenfranchisement of our people.
- \*\*Impact\*\*: This enforces accountability, halting reckless experimentation until risks are fully understood.

#### ### Conclusion

HB300, as currently framed, funnels scarce state resources into a speculative and perilous venture that jeopardizes our ecosystems and sidelines Native Hawaiian voices. I urge you to reject this funding and redirect it toward safer, more equitable, and cost-effective alternatives.

Our native birds deserve protection, but not at the expense of the very 'āina that sustains them—and us. Let us honor our kuleana by choosing solutions that respect both science and sovereignty.

Mahalo nui loa for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Tiare Smith

Kahalu'u, O'ahu

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 8:32:54 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Carol D. Yokoyama	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I am strongly opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for Wolbachia-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kauai. Protect our Aina, water, ocean, human life and our delicate ecosystems by voting NO. Stop the experimenting on our Islands.

Mahalo for your time.

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 9:24:48 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Luanna Peterson	Testifying for Reimagining Public Safety	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha,

My name is Luanna Peterson and I live in Honolulu. As a member of the Reimagining Public Safety in Hawai'i Coalition, I support a state budget that increases investments in services and programs that build safe and healthy communities.

We are respectfully requesting that you significantly increase investments in the following areas, which are proven by research and data to dramatically increase safety by diverting residents out of the criminal justice system and addressing the root causes of poverty, crime, and violence.

- Permanent supportive housing and transitional housing
- Community based mental health services
- Youth programs
- Vocational/employment training for living wage jobs
- Restorative Justice and Ho'oponopono

At least 40% of all people in jail in Hawai'i are homeless. There is consensus among justice system actors-including judges, prosecutors, and service providers- that people suffering from mental illness and substance abuse disorder should be diverted out of jail and into treatment and housing. This would dramatically shrink the jail population, but to succeed, the state must fund diversion infrastructure.

We are also in a time of fiscal crisis, and the state cannot afford to adequately fund diversion while also spending enormous amounts on expanding jails and prisons. Given this reality, please remove appropriations for the following projects.

- \$30 MIL for planning and design of OCCC jail
- \$10 for DCR Statewide Master Plan
- Millions more for jail and prison expansion

As our elected representatives, you have the opportunity to finally move our state past the failed approach of funding more policing and incarceration which has not made us safer, toward the

proven strategy of funding services and programs that address the root causes of poverty, crime, and violence.

Mahalo for your time and consideration, Luanna Peterson

Submitted on: 3/16/2025 10:10:34 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Marie Kerley	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

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Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Celine Chang	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair and Members of the Committee,

I am writing in strong support of HB300, which provides essential funding for critical health care services in our state. Now more than ever, we must invest in sexual and reproductive health care to ensure that providers, like Planned Parenthood, can continue to deliver life-saving care to our communities.

Safety net providers like Planned Parenthood are facing a perfect storm. Rising health care costs, workforce shortages, and increased abortion patient volumes—especially in the wake of restrictive policies in other states—are pushing providers to their limits. Clinics across the country are being forced to reduce services, lay off staff, or close entirely due to a lack of funding. Without state investment, Hawaii could face the same devastating consequences, leaving countless individuals without access to essential care.

Planned Parenthood is a lifeline for many in our community, providing affordable and accessible health care, including birth control, STI testing and treatment, cancer screenings, prenatal care, and abortion services. For many patients, especially those who are uninsured or underinsured, Planned Parenthood is their only option for reproductive health care. If we fail to fund these services, people in Hawaii will be left without critical care, leading to increased unintended pregnancies, higher maternal health risks, and worsened public health outcomes.

Additionally, the hostile administration in Washington, D.C. is threatening to cut federal funding for critical health care services. If these cuts move forward, Hawaii's health care system will be further strained, making state investment even more crucial.

Failure to invest in sexual and reproductive health care will create serious harm to our communities, disproportionately impacting low-income individuals, people of color, and those in rural areas who already face barriers to care. Without adequate funding, patients will experience longer wait times, reduced access to contraceptives, prenatal care, STI treatment, and abortion services.

HB300 is an opportunity for Hawaii to stand up for health care, equity, and the well-being of our communities. I strongly urge you to fully fund HB300 to protect access to essential health care services and ensure that providers like Planned Parenthood can continue to serve those who need them most.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

# Affidavit Testimony on GM Harms "Social Conflict" and "Class Actions" To Stop The Insects and the WHO

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8th May 2024

May your court decide to stop this biological attack on the Kingdom of Hawaii, disband the military, decommission all the smart and other 5G infrastructure and pay copious compensation to everyone on Maui and in Hawaii Unites for unnecessary stress beyond measure.

We are going through this in Indonesia and it is not justifiable there either.

#### <u>Full body of evidence of Class Action and Education by Micklem, Frances</u> <u>fmicklem8@yahoo.co.uk as Testimony to support Hawaii Unites in their Appeal.</u>

I filed an Appeal in the Swiss Federal Supreme Court asking for remedy in relation to criminal, civil, administrative and patent law, claiming manifest arbitrariness and claiming compensation.

The Hawaii case is count nine. I added the crimes of genocide, faunacide and ecocide to the military occupying of the Kingdom of Hawaii and the government and non-government agents perpetuating the crimes.

Cases Appealed in Swiss Court 1-25

- 1) Belarus, Bolivia, Cuba, North Korea, Eritrea, Iran, Nicaragua, Russia, Syria, Venezuela, and Zimbabwes reject unilateral coercive measures. Instead of unanimous adoption of the Political Declaration on 26th September 2023, the United Nations General Assembly UNGA just announced after receiving the letter that they would have to approve the Declaration using a vote count instead of a unanimous agreement Changing their own process.
- 2) Group of Friends in Defense of the UN Charter: Algeria, Angola, Belarus, Bolivia, Cambodia, China, Cuba, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Iran, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Nicaragua, the State of Palestine, the Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Syria, Venezuela, and Zimbabwe.
- https://www.tasnimnews.com/en/news/2022/11/05/2799414/group-of-friends-in-defense-of-charter-of-united-nations-releases-statement
- 3) G77 which is now a group of 134 developing countries who contested the legal standing of the meetings of the SDGs Summit and the High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention.
- designed to promote its members' collective economic interests and create an enhanced joint negotiating capacity in the United Nation expanded to 134 member countries. G77
- 4) Netherlands Medicines Agency early personal liability notice 2021 of vaccine deaths
- 5) Slovakia Prime MInister Robert Fico
- 6) Indonesia a) Senate b) Precedent 2008 Case c) Dr Widya Murni World Council For Health Vote to Exit The WHO
- 7) America Dr Peter McCullogh Excess Deaths
- 8) Fahrie Hassan Conflict of Interests World and Africa-Specific
- 9. Hawaii Unites 20 years of GMO insects, no monitoring and no environmental

impact report

- 10. Singapore accidental 3 female GM Mosquitoes replace a whole population (Gene Drive)
- 11. 2008 Indonesia Refuses Material Transfer of Viruses (now called pathogen-sharing)
- 12 Bill Bates versus the US Manufactures consent in developing countries by funding universities. Wolbachia IP Technology.
- 13. Elon Musk, 180-day experimental permit to radiate people and deliver genetic modifications using electrical-pulses, plus data collection without consent.
- 14. George Soros vs France. Insider trading and alleged responsibility for forced migration.
- 15. Central bank challenge for printing bank notes using pigs blood, and losing the 'Right to Rescue' animals in court.
- 16. AUKUS nuclear partnership and UN's
- 17. WEF's Pascal Najadi case: Filed charges against the President, to remove diplomatic immunity for WEF & WHO, for Covid Crimes.
- 18. Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. Craig Mokhibe Resignation Letter the UN is party to Genocide
- 19. Estonia's Parliament reject the WHO
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- 21 Stopping Al because of its always-active military protocols: Deployment & Retaliation
- 22. Vaccine Deaths and Warnings: Pfizer Found Guilty in UK Cases
- 23. South African Contracts Pfizer payment Guarantee Required, including natural resources, reserve banks and military bases.
- 24. Concealment of Data Case: Thailand
- 25. Private Banking is illegal and CBDCs are a tool of surveillance, control and continued fraudulent debt enslavement. Professor Richard Werner International Public Banking Alliance
- "9. HAWAII UNITES, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation v. BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE OF HAWAI'I, and DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE OF HAWAI'I,

Contesting the deployment of military biotechnologies on an experimental and emergency permit, on the pretext of 'conservation.

Court proceedings to stop 775,992,000 biopesticide lab-reared Wolbachia-bacteria-infected mosquitoes per week. 807 billion over 20 years, still on an emergency permit; with no Environmental Impact Assessment, in the fragile ecosystems of East Maui.

Plaintiff Lia, on behalf of Hawaii Unites, verbally requested a contested case hearing for agenda item C-2 "Request Approval of Final Environmental Assessment and Authorization for the Chairperson to Issue a Finding of No Significant Impact for the 'Suppression of Invasive Mosquito populations to Reduce Transmission of Avian Malaria to Threatened and Endangered Forest Birds on East Maui'"

On March 13, 2023, Plaintiff Lia filed a complaint on behalf of Hawaii Unites with the State of Hawaii Office of the Ombudsman, requesting an investigation into the BLNR for interference with the public's ability to testify at the BLNR meeting on March 10,

2023. Per Tina Lia's complaint, the BLNR Secretary emailed incorrect and inoperative information for providing video testimony at the meeting. The BLNR then rearranged the agenda items at the March 10, 2023, meeting in random order with no explanation to the public waiting to testify. Testifiers for the biopesticide mosquito project agenda item were made to sit through the entire eight-hour meeting, reduce their testimony from three minutes to two minutes each, and listen to the BLNR members joking and laughing about the postponement of the biopesticide mosquito project agenda item.

Hawaii Unites has repeatedly presented documented, compelling evidence of the risks and impacts of the biopesticide mosquito project to the BLNR. Rather than acknowledge and address the organization's concerns, the BLNR has acted in a consistently dismissive and disruptive manner towards this testimony. The rights of Hawaii Unites, of the organization's supporters, and of the public, to open governmental processes have been infringed upon by the BLNR in their effort to silence discussion about the risks and impacts of the project.

Hawaii Unites dispute that BLNR's powers include the authority to "adopt rules"; "appoint hearing officers to conduct public hearings"; bring enforcement actions; and establish "restrictions, requirements, or conditions ...relating to the use of particular land being disposed of, the terms of sale, lease, license, or permit, and the qualifications of any person to draw, bid, or negotiate for public land. "Land" is defined to include "all interests therein and natural resources including water." https://hawaiiunites.org/wp-

content/uploads/2023/05/2023\_0508\_Hawaii\_Unites\_and\_Lia\_v\_BLNR\_and\_DLNR.pdf

Hawaii's Health Minister is the only Health Minister in the World who has taken a stand against the weaponisation of health. He will give evidence again in the Appeal, but as a private citizen."

Due to shortage of preparation time, I share the total of the immense research and class actions taken in Indonesia, and around the world by our leadership team Gladiator Bangsa, The analysis of the breaching of the Nuremburg Code and Non proliferation of weapons of mass destruction should be legally relevant, as well as the analysis of the impossibility of legislating or reversing genetically engineered microbes or other living organisms. I draw your attention to the calamities that have happened around the world and urge you to consider that the harms are intentional and therefore all indemnity should be forfeited for the defendants, their funders, all occupation of the islands cease, with decommissioning of the technologies, laboratories and massive compensation paid to the people directly and their children returned, or at least honoured.

These were the criminal charges that we eventually filed in Bali Police Station, with the evidence from September 2023 to the present day.

It is now not enough to stop one release or plan, the attack is from all sides with legislation coming in to censor open science and any freedom, which is relevant to this case as the plaintiffs met opposition to even testifying in the court decision they are contesting. National men and women have a superior jurisdiction by law than corporations, military or government and they should be the beneficiaries of a

#### complete redress of this premeditated dereliction.

#### 8th November 2023

On Monday 6th November 2023 (1) the World Mosquito Program (2) and Save The Children Fund's (3)

Massive Mosquito Release Program (4)
was found to be a Foreign Program NOT A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM (5)
And therefore must Cease and Desist (STOP)

It is illegal (6), fraudulent (7), without efficacy (8), without notice (9), without transparency (10) or disclosure (11) and of high National Security risk of being a hostile deployment of biological agents (12). A figure of 40 billion Australian Dollars was paid by the Gillespie Family fund, to establish stake holders who would allow the releases in Bali (13). There has been no Due Diligence done in regard to operational management, financial management, regulation (14) or Liability (15)

Immediate Action required for Hankamrata: Total people defense

- 16) Immediate confiscation of the mosquito eggs
- by the Police with Army support Wednesday 8th November, within office hours.
- 17) The mosquito factory must not be given prior warning of your arrival. WMP and SCF are managed by a non-national agent.
- 18) Or any opportunity to sell of transport the eggs to another buyer,
- 19) Or dropped on another community.
- 20) Or disposed of in Bali unsafely
- 21) Risk of retaliation. They must not have time to distribute the eggs in any of the sites identified
- 22) Already recruited families to incubate the eggs.
- 23) Laws broken Legal Instruments applicable.

Copies of the above charges have been copied and sent by email to attendees of the above meeting.

#### Full body of evidence referenced by number:

#### Timeline by Margaret Denmead

On September 19th 2023, I Margaret Denmead received a message from a friend, it was an Instagram post from that the Mayor of Denpasar saying that from November 2023 to April 2024 the Denpasar City Government Bali would massively distribute Aedes Aegypti mosquito in North, south, east and west Denpasar. The Mosquito eggs will be exposed to Wolbachia bacteria as an effort to optimize prevention of the spread of dengue hemorrhagic fever (DHF).

https://www.instagram.com/p/CxNITlcr9py/?igshid=NjFhOGMzYTE3ZQ== Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever is the most serious of four distinct strain of Dengue, and it is the most rare with no cases on the island.

Frances was in Bali at the time and sent she had the white papers called <u>Gene</u> <u>Edited Mosquitoes from a Microbial Perspective</u>, <u>Bioweapons</u> and notes on <u>Green</u> <u>Technologies from a Genetically Engineered Microbial Perspective</u>, to prove that

these mosquitoes were genetically modified and not 'natural' and 'harmless' as claimed by the World Mosquito Program (WMP). These papers proved the impossibility of risk assessment for the short, medium or long term of gene editing and bio tech research.

September 22nd we forwarded documents and a report to share with the ministers to encourage them to attend a meeting. This report was called the 8 ways in which Genetically engineered mosquitoes are a biological attack on Bali and resulted in many ministers attending the meeting.

## HOW THE GENETICALLY ENGINEERED (GE) MOSQUITOES ARE A BIOLOGICAL ATTACK ON BALI.

#### THE DISEASES MOSQUITOES CARRY:

Dengue, Zika, Malaria Etc - have been genetically engineered and patented. This means that they have been given Gains Of Function in pharmaceutical and military laboratories, to make them more contagious and more fatal.

An example is Zika which had mild flu symptoms. Following the release of GE mosquitoes in Brazil, Zika in those areas became a disease that caused deformed heads for new babies and death. In the last two months, cases of Malaria have been reported in Florida and Texas, following the release of GE Mosquitoes there.

# THE GENETICALLY ENGINEERED MOSQUITOES PRODUCED ARE AN EXPERIMENT.

The Gene Editing process is not accurate as many traits are fired at the DNA and then mutations happen as the DNA tries to repair itself. The new traits promised in the mosquitoes are that only males will be released, no biting females.

Also genes deform females reproductive organs and mouths, so that the mosquitoes will die off. In every other release, the mosquito populations have not died off and so those traits are spreading through reproduction and to other species that feed on Mosquitoes, such as birds and fish and through gene transfer into the water and soil.

The Genetically Engineered mosquito eggs will become larvae and spend two more weeks feeding in water before hatching. Some will die, some will be eaten, and the contamination of water is inevitable. Male mosquitoes who were produced without the trait of attraction to females, developed a taste for human blood and became biters and transmitters of disease. The Horizontal Gene Transfer Traits that deform females will enter the food and water systems of Bali and interact with our bodies.

## THE WOLBACHIA BACTERIA THAT THE MOSQUITOES HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO IS ALSO GENETICALLY ENGINEERED.

Natural strains of Wolbachia are present in most insects. It is being used as some studies have shown that it blocks mosquitoes from carrying Dengue. It is impossible to predict the side effects, behavior and spread of a genetically engineered Wolbachia, to beneficial insects including pollinators and the whole microbiome. The mosquito eggs would have to be placed in a body of water. Water is understood to be an equal disease vector as mosquitoes are, and studies have linked Wolbachia to cases of river blindness and elephantiasis in humans.

THERE IS AN UNACCEPTABLE LEVEL OF RISK THAT THE THREE DISTINCT GENETICALLY ENGINEERED COMPONENTS OUTLINED ABOVE:

A GENETICALLY-ALTERED HYBRID MOSQUITO HOSTING A GENETICALLY ENGINEERED BACTERIA AND CAPABLE OF CARRYING PATENTED DISEASES COULD DESTROY THE WATER AND ENVIRONMENT OF BALI, AND THE HEALTH OF THE POPULATION.

THE THREAT OF A MASSIVE MOSQUITO RELEASE WOULD DETER VISITORS AND COULD CREATE AN ECONOMIC COLLAPSE.

SAFETY TESTING IS IMPOSSIBLE AS PATENTS MEAN THAT INDEPENDENT RISK ASSESSMENT AND STUDIES ARE NOT REQUIRED OR EVEN ALLOWED.

Companies do not have to disclose their ingredients. Both pharmaceutical and military operations are not obliged to share even the location of their field trials. There has been neither consultation, consent or referendum

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT TESTS AND ALL REGULATIONS TREAT NEW PRODUCTS LIKE CHEMICALS WHICH CAN BE CONTAINED AND POSSIBLY CLEANED UP VERY DIFFERENTLY. GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS AND GENE-EDITED ORGANISMS ARE LIVING.

They can spread in multiple transmissible ways, as is well known since the spread of the Coronavirus and its Variants worldwide. The only way to prevent the damage done by this release is to stop it and make sure it does not happen.

# GAIN OF FUNCTION EXPERIMENTS ARE FUNDED BECAUSE COMPANIES ARE ALLOWED TO RESEARCH DISEASES THAT COULD POTENTIALLY CAUSE A PANDEMIC SO THAT THEY CAN PREPARE A MEDICAL RESPONSE.

They justify creating new dangerous pathogens by saying that the mutations could have happened in nature. The Dengue Variant which the mayor refers to for Bali, Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever is extremely rare and different from Dengue 1, 3, 4 at least.

There are two possible explanations for this severe strain to be mentioned. Either the mosquitoes will introduce A Genetically Engineered Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever, A Gain Of Function product as there is a vaccine ready, developed by the same laboratories to combat such an outbreak or The Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever was mentioned to instill fear in the population. The fear of the severe symptoms of internal and external bleeding and how it particularly affects children would make the public more receptive to both The Genetically Engineered Mosquitoes as a deterrent and the acceptance of treatments once the symptoms start to appear.

# ONE WAY TO BLOCK THE RELEASE COULD BE TO USE THE TREATIES IN PLACE TO STOP THE PROLIFERATION OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION.

Biological Weapons were the first to be identified as Weapons Of Mass Destruction over 50 years ago. The plan to release the mosquitoes is profitable to some stake holders and the vested interests in the manufacture of mosquitoes, the diseases and any medical response. This means that the Bali Authorities need to test all the several million eggs for traces of disease and somehow predict the Down-Stream Gene Transfers of The Genetically Modified Microorganisms and their interactions in every biological process.

It may be important to note that scorching an area has been used as the only way to stop the spread of dangerous Genetically Engineered contaminations in the past. We should also ask the question whether this is relevant to the appearance of a deadly strain of bird flu concurrent with the release of Genetically Engineered Mosquitoes Maui, in March 2023.

Frances circulated a paper for the Institute for Responsible Technology, in 2021

The Mosquitoes From Microbial Perspective Work
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https://www.regulations.gov/commenton/EPA-HQ-OPP-2019-0274-0363 Demonstration of how public consultation, objections and refusals are no longer facilitated, only 'comments'.

When GMOs enter the environment, they can reproduce and transfer genes that will be passed onto future generations. Regulations and risk assessments are completely inadequate to decide if it is safe to release GM mosquitoes in California. Previously, safety and environmental impact assessments of pest control products needed only to assess chemical impacts over a specified area. Assessing the

introduction of novel living organisms with no existing natural niche must take into account their ability to spread. Oxitec nor the World Mosquito Program, nor regulators, nor funders, have produced environmental impact statements, endangered species assessments, or studies on human health impacts.

#### Spread Via Sexual Reproduction

Consider how a population can spread over a year, first of all through sexual reproduction. Normally the Aedes Aegypti live for two weeks, reproduce three times during that time, up to a 100 eggs each time (CDC, 2021). Oxitec claim to have inserted 'self-limiting genes', which ensure the females do not reach maturity, deforming their reproductive organs so they cannot breed. In some experiments the females were produced with deformed mouths so they could not bite (Muller, 2021).

In addition, disruption of their sensing capacities was achieved (Basrur, 2020), by which they would have chosen suitable pooled water for laying their eggs. The applicant claims that they will breed less successfully and reduce disease-carrying populations of biting female mosquitos. Male mosquitos will survive to pass on the lethal gene (Servick, 2019). Finally, scientists added an illuminating transgene, which can be monitored at least while in the confines of the lab, to confirm that the inserted traits have passed onto offspring (Nolan, 2021).

People in the trial areas have not provided their consent to being experimented on with OX5034.

However, the most common occurrence in genetic engineering is unexpected side effects. For example, when male mosquitoes were produced in an experiment that eliminated their attraction to the scent of the female mosquitoes and their inclination to mate, the males developed an attraction instead to human blood, which previously only females expressed (Tracey, 2020). It is too difficult for risk assessments to anticipate a mutation like this and the multitude of other mutations and traits which might be transferred. Bacteria, for example, continually swap genes that help them adapt and survive.

Image: StopGMM.Com

The genetic engineering process itself routinely causes widespread damage to the genome including off-target mutations, additions and deletions (Latham, 2021). Oxitec claim that their genetic engineering process and GE mosquitos are "Precise: Our insects only target their own species. They will not harm other, beneficial insects – unlike some other methods of control". The claim that genetic engineering is precise has been used by the biotech industry since the production of the first GMO crops and remains completely false. With unexpected and unwanted changes and damage caused by the process, many go unnoticed and it is impossible to predict further mutations downstream.

Unfortunately, most scientists who use gene editing do not spend the time or money to evaluate whether their GMO has unanticipated changes in structure and function (Smith, 2021).

In the Brazil field trials, Oxitec did not perform experiments to assess whether GM mosquitoes might persist in the wild (Powell, 2019). All governments, including the US, have little or no regulatory oversight for gene edited GMOs. They based this

hands-off policy on the false belief that gene editing is safe, predictable and even of benefit to public health. As another research group pointed out, public education is not the same as public consultation (Powell, 2019). With such vast numbers of GE insects proposed to be released in densely populated areas, a public referendum should perhaps be called to ensure public awareness and involvement in the decision-making process.

Genetically engineered microbes and viruses present the most immediate and widespread hazards. The transfer of new genes from GM organisms to wild non-GM mosquito populations and non-target species mean that the spread would be much wider, with high risk of negative consequences for human and environmental health (Kofler, 2019).

There was an independent study conducted on DNA spread from the genetically modified mosquitoes released in Brazil. Novel DNA and up to 13% of the genome were found in 5%-60% of the mosquitos captured and tested (Servick 2019). This report clearly refutes the applicant's claim that no more than 3% of the GE mosquitos will survive (Oxitec, 2021).

Potential Human Health Impacts Have Not Been Researched by Any Third Party The applicant proposes that only males will be released. Is that possible to guarantee, at such numbers? During Oxitec's Brazil release, 450,000 GE mosquitos were released every week for two years from 2013-2015 in Jacobina.

Although there was evidence that the mosquito populations were majorly reduced (by between 90% and 96%), there was no evidence that there were fewer cases of dengue fever or Zika virus, both carried by the Aedes Aegypti mosquito. Furthermore, up until 2015, Zika was considered a benign disease, with no symptoms but the Zika epidemic that spread in Brazil in 2015 and 2016, registered over 200,000 cases of babies born with brain defects, from the infection (Lowe, 2018). If there is any chance at all that genetically engineered mosquitoes could drive the development of a deadly variant of a previously harmless virus, another release should be deemed unacceptable.

Powell (2019) and the Brazilian research team who discovered the persistent Oxitec DNA strains, raised the alarm that more safety studies should be done. Although they agreed that Oxitec's two transgenes themselves had not been found in the future generations and there was no evidence that the mosquito population was fitter or more likely to transmit disease, Powell reiterated "What is important is that something unanticipated happened. When people develop transgenic lines or something to release, almost all of their information comes from laboratory studies...Things do not always work out how you expect."

GMOs can become biological time bombs, hiding their unpredictable side effects until they have come into contact with certain species or conditions, or until their genetic constructs have mutated in future generations. The hope is that the male GE mosquitoes would mate with the native population of females and the lethal gene only be passed to female offspring.

OX5034 GMO Mosquitoes Are Raised in Tetracycline and May Spread Antibiotic-

Resistant Bacteria, Such as Staph and MRSA

These genetic alterations could end up in organisms and ecosystems that were never intended or considered. Oxitec claims the GM mosquitos are "Non-persistent: The self-limiting system means that our self-limiting gene cannot establish in the ecosystem." Even their 'self-limiting system' presents an immediate human health threat. Oxitec describes how when they turn off the self-destruct mechanism, in order to let the mosquitos breed, they use an antibiotic Tetracycline (Oxitec, 2021). Tetracycline is used to treat a variety of bacterial infections. Using any antibiotic when it is not needed can cause it to not work for future infections. (WebMD, 2021) By 2050, it is estimated that 10 million people will die every year due to antibiotics having been rendered ineffective (Kennedy, 2021) from overuse.

In addition, due to the widespread nature of gene transfer between species, it is nonsense for the applicant to propose that the GM mosquitos will not interact with other species and exchange genetic material, whether they are designed to target their own species exclusively or not. The only time to prevent the release of altered microbes associated with the GE mosquitos is now. They cannot be traced or recalled and it may not be possible to protect the microbiome on which our food and environment depend afterwards.

Environmental Impacts Have Not Been Assessed, Including Impact On Endangered Species

The applicant completely overlooks the nature of the mosquitos' beneficial roles in the environment, including biomass transfer, their place in the food chain, and as pollinators.

If a mosquito survives to adulthood, it flies away from its aquatic habitat, transferring the mosquito's biomass, its material weight, to the terrestrial ecosystem. Mosquito biomass has been calculated at 96 million pounds in Alaska alone (Peach, 2019). Have the applicants considered the impact on waterways and sanitation, if vast quantities of GE mosquitos do not reach maturity, and remain festering in the pools where the eggs were laid? Water is an equal disease vector as mosquitos (Oryan, 2020). Has an assessment been done on how the nutrient-cycling by mosquitoes to plant growth and other ecosystem functions will be replaced or maintained if the species are eradicated? As Peach (2019) comments, although these aspects remain unstudied the amount of biomass involved implies that it may be important. Of 550 gigatons of biomass on the planet, insects make up 1% whereas humans make up only 0.06% (Daly, 2018).

#### GMO Mosquitos Will Not Reduce Pesticide Spraying

The United Nations estimates that the productivity of 20 percent of the planet's vegetated surface is declining (Giles, 2019). Genetically altered bacteria from degrading GE Mosquito biomass could be released into California's already nearly inert soil microbiome and affect fertility. Insecticide-resistant insects are also associated with higher levels of insecticide use, causing nutrient, water and soil structure loss and erosion (Pocket, 2021). It is conceivable that the GE mosquitoes could cause an imbalance in biological properties, including soil enzymes, microorganisms and their activities. These altered microbes might migrate into the atmosphere, into the ocean, even within microbiomes of humans or animals.

While Oxitec claims its GMO mosquitoes are necessary to fight dengue fever, there's no proof that they can actually eradicate the disease

Several studies suggest that the GE Mosquitos will not do what they are purported to do. The mosquitos have been developed on the belief that it is the adult biting female mosquitoes that transmit disease. In fact it was found out that mosquitoes were the cause of an outbreak of Ockelbo disease in Sweden in 2013. A study published in Vector-Borne and Zoonotic Diseases (2016), established that the related Sindbis virus could be found in mosquito larvae in spring, the year after the 2013 outbreak. The researchers concluded that the virus is transferred from the female mosquito to her eggs. "The mosquitoes are infected with the virus already at birth, which has not previously been shown," (Evander, 2016).

The larvae live in water for up to two weeks. In this time, they feed constantly. They primarily use brushes near their mouths to filter through the water where they are living and eat microorganisms like bacteria, fungi, algae and plankton. However, some kinds of mosquito larvae even eat the larvae of other mosquitoes (Jenkins-Green, 2021)

Risk assessment is beyond current predictive capacity.

Once it is understood that disease pathogens are already present in the mosquito larvae, it makes it unacceptably dangerous to introduce GE mosquitoes designed to perpetuate a gene that is lethal to females. Altered microorganisms would inevitably pass through horizontal gene transfer to other aquatic species, to migratory birds and be carried in the water itself into the fresh water and food supply.

Mosquito larvae are eaten by many creatures including birds, bats, frogs and other insects. Adult mosquitoes that die (or are eaten and excreted) then decompose, turning the microbes they consumed as larvae into nutrients for plants, completing another important ecological function (Evander, 2016). Mosquito larvae grow by consuming microorganisms such as algae and microbes that decompose decaying plant material (Peach, 2019).

GE Mosquito Pollinators - will they participate and do the job and could they do harm?

Genetic evidence supports a rapid increase in mosquito diversity corresponding with the appearance of flowering plants. Mosquito scales have been found in flower fossils from 145.5 to 66 million years ago. Mosquitoes serve as prolific pollinators interacting with many different plants (Peach, 2019). Mosquito-mediated pollination can be broken into three stages all of which involve microbial interaction. Will plants attract GE mosquitos to their flowers at the pre-pollination stage to collect pollen? GE organisms have been shown to exert different selection pressures on their microbiome and related functions (Krishnan, 2021). Will the GE insects fulfil the second stage leading to pollen receipt and dispersal. In the post-pollination stage, the pollen germinates on the stigma, grows down the style, releasing sperm nuclei that fertilize the eggs within the ovules that ultimately become seeds (Cullen, 2020). Has gene transfer been assessed from the GE mosquito saliva to pollen and into the sexual organs of plants with which they interact during pollination (Peach, 2019)? Oxitec claims biting females will not be released. A peer-reviewed study proved them wrong.

The claims of "sustainability" made by Oxitec (2021) also ignore the mosquitos' own extensive microbiota. Bacteria colonize different mosquito organs, including gut,

salivary glands, ovaries and male accessory glands (Huang, 2020). Questioning an earlier application the applicants were informally asked if the saliva of the GE mosquitoes had been tested for presence of pathogen variants or other altered genetic material and they're possible interaction with the human population, and saliva had not been tested (Smith, 2013). Although the Lyme disease bacteria have been found in the salivary glands of mosquitoes, there is no evidence that mosquitoes are capable of passing them on in a very short bite, in the number and state required for an infection. This might reassure regulators but actually the other epidemic in Sweden, caused by Sindbus virus demonstrated a huge under diagnosis of cases as the symptoms are synonymous with arthritis and can begin as quite mild (Evander, 2016).

Mosquito larvae grow by consuming microorganisms such as algae and microbes that decompose decaying plant material. Larval mosquitoes contribute to aquatic food chains by serving as food sources for many predators, including fish and birds (Peach, 2019). In addition to the disaster if the lethal transgene transferred to other pollinators, aquatic insects, fish and birds, disabling crucial reproductive functions, it could also feasibly enter the human microbiome. Even small alterations to the microbiome can have profound consequences, including disease or death of an organism, and disruption or collapse of ecosystems.

Alternatives – Cleaning up areas that are worst affected via better sanitation and using the native mosquitoes' own microbiota.

Increasing interest has been shown in employing symbiotic bacteria to control mosquito-borne diseases. Mosquito salivary gland, ovaries and hemolymph are also important for virus or parasite replication and transmission. Many studies believe that the only appropriate and effective way to address the spread of disease amongst the human population is to address the issues of poverty and access to clean water and sanitary systems (Lewis, 2021).

There has been no transparency surrounding the experimental release. Where? When? How many? What are they trying to hide?

The proposed amendment would extend field testing in Florida by another 24 months on up to 6,240 acres and expand testing to California on up 84,600 acres. This specific acreage suggests that the applicants have a way to contain the GE mosquitos in this designated test area. The problem of containment is only unsatisfactorily addressed in the highest security laboratories (Nolan, 2021). Hundreds of accidents in high security laboratories that work with microbes and viruses underscore the serious risk of creating these, even for contained research purposes. 1.4. Facilities that create or utilize GE microbes in production and research often lack the precautions and disposal methods to prevent environmental release. Too little attention is paid to potentially harmful impacts that these organisms may have on various ecosystems, including the human microbiome. Through contamination of waterways, pollen and gene transfer to other species through the food chain and decaying mosquito biomass, there are infinite pathways for altered microbes to spread beyond the test area and the GE mosquitoes' own reach.

Similar experiments in Brazil and Cayman Islands have been a failure.

Access to gene editing technology already opens the floodgates for companies to

manufacture hundreds and thousands of different gene sequences every day. These are tested for successes rather than errors or failures. The resulting GE products are therefore by no means ready for approval or release in the open environment and it would be irresponsible to do so.

It might have taken the pandemic for people to realize how microbes and viruses rapidly cross borders and encircle the globe. It is widely understood now how microbes can interact with the microbiome of vastly different ecosystems and organisms. Risk and safety assessments of the GE mosquitoes' microbiota and their interaction with the environment are too extensive to fathom. Microbes are found everywhere on earth, in the atmosphere, in the soil, in water, in all genetically engineered and native organisms and in us.

Based on more than 50,000 published studies, we now understand that the majority of chronic illnesses in humans can be traced to some sort of ecological dysfunction (Smith, 2020). The health of insects and plants are also supported by their microbiomes. Humans, for example, have about 22,000 functional genes in our chromosomes. The Aedes Aegypti mosquito has just under 15,500 (Wortman, 2007). But according to some experts, we more than make up for it because we are really an ecosystem for microbes. Our bodies contain over three and a half million microbial genes. They dictate the vast majority of the metabolic functions within our body.

It is urgent that we implement responsible laws and policies to prevent the release of any more GE organisms and their microbial communities; implement appropriate safeguards at all facilities using or creating GE microbes, assign strict liability costs should any human or environmental health crisis occur, as a result of insufficient safety testing of the applicant's products and releases to date.

These problems of unexpected damage to the mosquito genome, unwanted mutations and the proliferation of changed microbes establishing in the environment via horizontal gene transfer are confirmed in peer-reviewed studies. They are still being ignored or denied by many GMO proponents and lobbyists. The massive introduction of GMOs in this generation could permanently replace nature. We could lose biological evolution as we know it, disrupting the crucial functions of building organic matter and pollination in growing food and accessibility of clean water.

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### Introduction

Rapid developments in genetic engineering have recently created unique challenges: Infant technologies are being used in multiple settings to modify and generate microorganisms, aiming to promote particular traits. The accidental release of a novel species or pathogen could have far reaching environmental, health, social, and economic consequences but there is also the risk of the intentional misuse of biological agents. National and international security risks have significantly expanded due to the accessibility of technology with the capacity to create new biological weapons. These weapons are designed for a new type of warfare and conflict, as they can be deployed covertly. Nonetheless, bioweapons are potentially more deadly than nuclear weapons and are internationally recognized as a weapon of mass destruction.

The military point to their usefulness first:

"The purely financial advantage of employing biological weapons was clearly illustrated by a 1969 expert United Nations panel which estimated the cost of operations against civilian populations at \$1/Km2 for biological weapons, versus \$600/Km2 for chemical, \$800/Km(2)2 for nuclear, and \$2,000/Km2 for conventional armaments" FAS, 2021

There are many different ways genetic engineering can create potentially dangerous bioweapons:

impart antibiotic resistance to bacterial pathogens

- increase human-to-human transmission of a deadly pathogen
- make an existing pathogen resistant to existing vaccines, therapeutics, or other countermeasures.

However, there are also some important conditions an effective biological weapon has to meet:

- Procurement: one has to be able to procure a suitable biological agent. "The NATO definition of a biological agent is: A microorganism (or a toxin derived from it) which causes disease in man, plants or animals or which causes the deterioration of material." They include Bacteria, Viruses, Rickettsiae, Chlamydia, Parasites, Fungi and Toxins.
- Mass production: a bioweapon needs to be produced at scale without the loss of pathogenicity, Making microorganisms effective as self-propagating.
- Effective delivery: a biological agent typically needs to be deployed quickly and en masse to achieve its maximum impact before effective countermeasures can be deployed.
- Environmentally robust: a biological agent needs to be able to survive in the environment and spread.
- Treatable: the agent that releases a biological agent needs to have an effective countermeasure to prevent incurring damage from the biological agent. In "Guidance Notes to the Field Commander on the Consequences of Individual Agents For Continued Operational Effectiveness", they include over 40 examples of biological agents, for example, Epidemic Typhus and Pneumonic Plague. (https://fas.org/nuke/guide/usa/doctrine/dod/fm8-9/2appc.htm).

Most naturally occurring pathogens do not fulfill all of these conditions, making them unsuitable for use as a bioweapon, where genetically engineered pathogens with enhanced functions could.

Recent times have seen the rise of non-national agents that might not consider the last condition (that treatment is available) to be necessary, as they would tolerate inflicting damage to their population if that meant inflicting much greater damage to their intended targets. This of course goes for our hostile use of biological weapons on other countries as well.

Dissemination includes inhalation, dermal exposure and ingestion. Therefore contamination of the food supply has been described as the weaponization of agriculture. (https://apnews.com/article/genetics-science-biological-weapons-ap-top-news-us-news-8ed74d87df524ab580d7fbd3b845d0c6)

Meeting these conditions has been the main historical limiting factor in the development and proliferation of biological weapons: Very few countries were able to develop biological agents and the means to effectively deploy them. In addition, some deadly pathogens, like smallpox, exist only in high-security laboratories, and most potentially malicious actors would find it difficult or impossible to procure them. New gene editing techniques developed in the biotechnology industry provide an opportunity for malicious actors to procure and manufacture bioweapons: It is now possible to synthesize a pathogen from a digital genetic code from an online database. Genetic engineering processes no longer require highly trained and experienced staff and specialized equipment. This has significantly expanded the scope of malicious actors who could feasibly obtain and manufacture diseases which were contained or eradicated decades ago. In response, there have been consistent calls from the scientific community and the broader public to develop more effective methods of detection and prevention (Fraser, 2001).

## Biotechnology of Bioweapons

The advances in the field of biotechnology have made genetic engineering much more accessible than ever before. The past several decades have seen the development of increasingly sophisticated means of editing a genome: First, there were molecular techniques like meganuclease, transcription activator-like effector nucleases (TALENs), and zinc-finger nucleases (ZFNs), then small RNAs techniques, including microRNA (miRNA) and small interfering RNA (siRNA) followed, and finally, CRISPR/Cas9 has recently become the most dominant and most reliable genome editing technique (Khan, 2019).

"At the moment, most gene editing involves "Crispr" – a set of genetic scissors first developed by the Nobel-prize winning scientists Emmanuelle Charpentier and Jennifer A Doudna in 2012. The technology relies on a kind of ancient immune system found in a large number of bacteria. When they encounter a potential viral threat, they copy and paste some of its DNA into their own genome, then use it to develop a pair of scissors that can identify that exact sequence. If they ever meet it again, they simply snip, and deactivate it." (Gorvett, Z. 2021)

Later Gorvett disputes CRISPR's reliability and ability to deactivate an exact sequence, referencing studies claiming more than 50% of genetic engineering experiments observed unexpected and unwanted mutations.

Figure 1. Overview of genome editing techniques (Khan, 2019)

Over the past few decades, gene editing technologies have not only grown significantly in variety and availability (Figure 1), they have become much more accessible. CRISPR technology, in particular, has reduced the cost of the gene editing process. For \$990-1990, one can acquire a complete CRISPR gene editing kit online capable of performing gene knockouts, point mutations, and gene knockins. This has made gene editing technology widely available to people with little or no knowledge of genetics (Scientific American, 2017). In 2017, German authorities in Bavaria found that two DIY CRISPR bacteria kits contained potentially pathogenic bacteria. Although the risks of creating a dangerous pathogen using these DIY kits are considered to be relatively small, the wide availability of these kits, complete lack of regulation and oversight, and their potential widespread use certainly raise national security questions. Although these kits alone would not be sufficient to create a homemade bioweapon, they most likely make this enterprise easier for a potential malicious agent with sufficient knowledge. Most importantly, they are currently not regulated nor their sale monitored by the relevant agencies.

#### Dual Use Research

Dual-use items are goods, software and technology that can be used for both civilian and military applications" (EU Dual Use Trade Controls:

https://ec.europa.eu/trade/import-and-export-rules/export-from-eu/dual-use-controls/) The 1925 Geneva Protocol (or the Protocol for the Prohibition of the Use in War of Asphyxiating, Poisonous or other Gases, and Bacteriological Methods of Warfare) and the 1972 Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention legally limited the development, production, acquisition, transfer, stockpiling and use of biological weapons. However, the absence of meaningful mechanisms for ensuring that countries comply with their obligations remains a major weakness. (https://www.amacad.org/publication/governance-dual-use-technologies-theory-and-

practice/section/5). The Geneva Protocol banned the use, but not development or production of biological weapons, while the 1972 Biological Weapons Convention specifically prohibited their development, production, and proliferation. This established a strong global norm on biological weapons, which effectively established a worldwide ban. This was further augmented by the 1993 Chemical Weapons Convention (or the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction), which planned but failed to introduce extensive verification measures, like on-site inspections.

Therefore, when the Chemical Weapons Convention became effective in 1997, a global ban on biological weapons came into effect. This meant that no country, including the US, was allowed to develop biological weapons. However, this applies to any research with a specific goal to develop a bioweapon. It does not apply to research where bioweapon development can occur as a side-product. There is research that produces results that can be applied to weaponizing biological agents, and where the research produces organisms that can be utilized as bioweapons. The results of this research can, therefore, have multiple uses, one of which is a bioweapon. This is how dual use research is so far not illegal.

However, two phrases are inextricably linked to bioweapons research: "dual use research of concern" (DURC) and "gain of function."

The National Institutes of Health define DURC as:

"Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC) is life sciences research that, based on current understanding, can be reasonably anticipated to provide knowledge, information, products, or technologies that could be directly misapplied to pose a significant threat with broad potential consequences to public health and safety, agricultural crops and other plants, animals, the environment, material, or national security." (NIH, 2021a)

Therefore, DURC includes not just human pathogens, but also some plant and animal pathogens, because these could, if released accidentally or intentionally, cause significant economic and environmental damage. The following criteria are used to evaluate whether research can be classified as DURC:

"Can the research be reasonably anticipated to produce one or more of the seven experimental effects/categories listed below?

Will an intermediate or final product of your research make a vaccine less effective or ineffective? YES / NO

Will the final or intermediate product of your research confer resistance to antibiotics or antivirals in ways that are inherently different from those published previously? YES / NO

Will your work enhance the virulence of a pathogen or render a non-pathogen virulent? YES / NO

Will the results of your work increase the transmissibility of any pathogen? YES / NO Will your research result in alteration of the host range of a pathogen? YES / NO Will your research result in a product or intermediary that may prevent or interfere with diagnosis of infection or disease? YES / NO

Does your research enable "weaponization" of an agent or toxin? YES / NO Even though your research did not involve any of the aforementioned seven criteria, and recognizing that your work product or results of your research could conceivably be misused, is there the potential for your results/product to be readily utilized to cause public harm? YES / NO" (NIH, 2021b)

If the answer to any of these questions is YES or potentially YES, then the research

could potentially be DURC and is reviewed and assessed by the Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) to determine whether the criteria for DURC is met. If research is classified as DURC, any publication of its results has to be authorized by the NIH Deputy Director for Intramural Research's Dual Use Committee, to make sure that sensitive or dangerous information is not released into the public sphere. However, communication of research results and sharing the benefits to society are required both to a) justify conducting dual use research at all and b) provide information to do a meaningful risk assessment. Prohibiting the publication of results also protects organizations and laboratories from scrutiny by regulators, in regard to biosafety and national security during export, transfer, brokering and transit of dual use items. (https://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/docs/2020/january/tradoc\_158576.pdf)

"The Biological Weapons Convention (BWC) was the first international treaty outlawing an entire class of weapons of mass destruction. From the outset, the BWC's terms acknowledged the dual-use nature of biological agents: instead of prohibiting biological weapons specifically, it committed parties never to "...acquire or retain: microbial or other biological agents, or toxins . . . of types and in quantities that have no justification for prophylactic, protective or other peaceful purposes," as well as "weapons, equipment or means of delivery designed to use such agents or toxins for hostile purposes." This language also ensured that the BWC's fundamental prohibitions would apply to all future scientific and technological developments in the life sciences and related fields, including in the nascent field of biotechnology.

At the same time, the convention commits its parties to facilitate the fullest possible exchange of materials, equipment, and information for using biological agents and toxins for peaceful purposes and to avoid hampering international cooperation in such activities. This tension between the nonproliferation and assistance provisions of the BWC has been a major source of controversy between developed and developing countries since the earliest days of the convention. https://www.un.org/disarmament/biological-weapons/

#### Gain of Function Research

Gain of function (GOF) research is a type of research where natural mutation processes of viruses and bacteria are accelerated in a laboratory to impart enhanced traits to these organisms. The objective is to create pathogens with increased human-to-human transmission, virulence, antigenicity, or antibiotic resistance. This research is done to identify specific mutations that lead to these traits, so they can be monitored in the wild pathogen population, or used to develop countermeasures. It is easy to see how developing pathogens that have more dangerous traits than their naturally occurring counterparts is highly dangerous and can be considered bioweapon research.

In addition to accelerating natural mutations in a laboratory, there have been several relatively recent cases of engineered pathogens that would be much more dangerous than their naturally occurring counterparts. In 1997, anthrax bacterium (Bacillus antracis) was modified by an introduction of an alien gene, making it resistant to existing vaccines. In 2012, two studies reported genetically modifying H5N1 avian flu virus (Morens, 2012; Nature, 2013), a flu variant with extremely high mortality rates (WHO, 2020). The new strain was reported to be transmitted through

the air in ferrets, which are a common animal model intended to approximate transmission in humans. To obtain the common H5N1 avian flu virus, it was necessary to spend extended periods of time with infected birds. The publication of five mutations engineered to enhance transmissibility could serve a hostile agent planning to create and release a pathogen with pandemic potential.

In 2014, another flu variant, H7N1, was modified to allow respiratory transmission in ferrets (Dermody, 2014a). The decision by the Journal of Virology to publish this research has sparked a debate (Wain-Hobson, 2014; Dermody, 2014b) prompting the American Society for Microbiology Journals to publish details of its DURC review process (Casadevall, 2015).

Gain of function research is not limited to human pathogens: In 2011, a study was published on modified entomopathogenic fungi M. anisopliae with engineered dihydroxynaphthalene (DHN) melanin biosynthetic genes (Tsang, 2011). This created a strain with enhanced anti-stress capacity and virulence, making the fungi both a more effective killer of the diamondback moth (Plutella xylostella) larvae, and more resistant to UV-B light and extreme temperature, improving its survivability. This is just one of many instances of genetic modification of plant or animal pathogens to increase their resistance and enhance their virulence (Butler, 1998; Jacobson, 2000; Liu, 2002; Wilson, 2009).

Because of the clear bioweapon potential of GOF research on 'select agents' (pathogens identified as a major risk to public health), a moratorium should be sought. Furthermore, GOF results are almost certainly prohibited from circulation, diminishing the value of undertaking the research.

# Biological Toxins and Gene Editing

Gene editing an organism to produce and deliver a biological toxin is another way to engineer a bioweapon. Although biological toxins are chemical molecules, they are commonly produced by plants, animals, and microorganisms like bacteria, fungi, or algae. Therefore, gene editing of these organisms is considered to be one of the ways to create a bioweapon. In particular, there are many organisms that produce neurotoxins – biological toxins that target the nervous system. There are a number of paralytic neurotoxins produced in living organisms like bacteria and algae (Giordano 2011; Giordano, 2017).

Gene editing can be used to obtain

- genetically modified organisms that have enhanced abilities for the production of biological toxins,
  - increased stability and resilience to environmental conditions, or even
- given the ability to produce a biological toxin where none previously existed.

The developments in genetic engineering technology, the digitization of genetic information obtained through scientific research, and its wide proliferation online make it easier than ever to obtain the necessary information and conduct the experiment to create a bioweapon through genetic modification. With technological advances far out-pacing regulations, it is likely that this will become even easier to do in the future.

#### In Vivo Genetic Modification

Current gene editing technology has its limitations: While it is easy to conduct gene

editing in cells and tissues in vitro (lat. in glass; meaning in a glass dish), it is significantly harder to alter a genome in a living organism – in vivo, especially complex organisms like mammals. There are several challenges current technology faces when it comes to in vivo genetic modification.

CRISPR and other gene editing technologies use molecules as editing tools. In order to conduct genetic modification in vivo, these gene editing molecules must be injected into the organism (for humans, this would be either into the muscle tissue or blood). Once inside, the gene editing molecules would have to be viable inside the body and be able to cross cellular membranes to get to the cell DNA. In addition, for genetic modification of the nervous system and the brain, these molecules would have to be able to cross the blood-brain barrier.

All of these conditions make viruses the most likely delivery system for in vivo genetic modification. Customized genetic viral vectors, with adeno-associated viruses (AAV)) have been successfully created for non-invasive gene transfer in mice (Deverman, 2016; Chan, 2017). "In the adult mouse, intravenous administration of 1 × 1011 vector genomes (vg) of AAV-PHP.eB transduced 69% of cortical and 55% of striatal neurons, while 1 × 1012 vg of AAV-PHP.S transduced 82% of dorsal root ganglion neurons, as well as cardiac and enteric neurons." (Chan, 2017).

"However, this method (viral gene transfer) presents several side effects such as generation of novel infectious agents, immunogenicity of the vector and mutational insertion of viral DNA" (Pasquet et al, 2018)

The AAV technology is currently being widely used to develop gene therapies for a number of conditions, including coagulation disorders, inherited blindness, and neurodegenerative diseases (Colella, 2018; Wang, 2019). On 13 November 2018, there were 145 interventional clinical trials involving rAAV registered at ClinicalTrials.gov (Wang, 2019).

"AAV belongs to the genus Dependoparvovirus within the family Parvoviridae. Its life cycle is dependent on the presence of a helper virus, such as AdV (adenovirus), hence its name and taxonomy classification. AAV is found in multiple vertebrate species, including human and non-human primates (NHPs). The current consensus is that AAV does not cause any human diseases. It is composed of an icosahedral protein capsid of ~26 nm in diameter and a single-stranded DNA genome of ~4.7 kb." (Wang, 2019)

AAVs are modified to replace their protein-coding genetic sequences with therapeutic gene expression cassettes, contributing to their low immunogenicity and cytotoxicity when delivered in vivo. Its single-stranded DNA is first converted to double-stranded DNA, by combining AAVs containing each of the halves of the double strand, which are then annealed by Watson–Crick base pairing in the nucleus. Another approach is to design the AAV to generate a self-complementary genome configuration, removing the need for two AAVs, but also halving the packaging capacity of the genetic cassette.

There are several different gene therapy strategies: gene replacement, gene silencing, gene addition, and gene editing (Wang, 2019). Gene therapy in adult animals targets a specific tissue, like the liver, eye, or muscle. Sometimes, transduced tissue can be used to produce therapeutic proteins for the treatment of disease in another tissue – for instance, transduced muscle tissue can be used to treat non-muscle disorders. Non-invasive gene transfer into cells or tissue by application of electric pulses, is also being tested. This could present risk of misuse in terms of remote gene transfer.

Any of these strategies can conceivably be employed to create a bioweapon: -

- Transduced tissue can be coded to produce toxic proteins instead of therapeutic ones;
- Genetically modified neurons can be coded to lose cognitive function.,
   while
- Liver and pancreas cells can be coded to alter their function and cause disease.

There are many more possibilities for a human's genome to be attacked to cause disease or death, and new technologies are exploring many of these avenues, albeit in a quest to cure or prevent disease. The knowledge necessary to achieve clinical success is not there yet: Even the majority of natural microorganisms and their functions have not been studied yet.

Regardless of risk, there has been rapid development in this consequential research and it is important that the risks are identified in advance.

Synthetic Biology: Bioweapons Application

Synthetic biology has massive potential for exploitation in the development of bioweapons. It is used widely in the production of pathogens and corresponding vaccines.

The medical advances of the past century, vaccines in particular, have contained and almost eradicated some of the worst diseases known to man. Therefore, such pathogens cannot be found in nature, making it extremely difficult, in the past, for a malicious agent to obtain a sample of the pathogen to develop into a bioweapon. Now, though, synthetic biology and biotechnology allow for the re-creation of many dangerous pathogens without the need to obtain a live sample. All that is needed is the genetic code of the pathogens in digital form, which typically can be found in databases online.

In 2002, the first case of a synthesized pathogen was published for a poliovirus (Cello, 2002). The researchers used the digital genetic sequence of the virus, ordered small customized DNA sequences, and combined them to reconstruct the complete viral genome. Finally, they created a live virus by adding a set of chemical agents, and the virus started to reproduce. Poliovirus has a relatively small and simple genome, with around 7500 nucleotides (7.5 kb). The synthesized pathogen would constitute an ineffective bioweapon because;

- most of the world's population is vaccinated,
- the disease develops in around 0.5% of cases, and
- it spreads through infected fecal matter or saliva.

According to WHO, there were 147 cases of polio globally in 2018, and 539 in 2019, down from around 350,000 in 1988. All of the cases of wild polio were recorded in Afghanistan and Pakistan, showing how the disease has been contained in the rest of the world. Although the poliovirus would not be effective as a bioweapon, this experiment shows how an artificial virus can be synthesized relatively easily in a lab with just a digital viral genome. It was only a matter of time before a more dangerous pathogen would be synthesized.

This occurred in 2017, when a group of Canadian scientists, as part of an effort to create a safer smallpox vaccine, synthesized the horsepox virus. Using around \$100,000 worth of chemicals, equipment and staff who were largely untrained in genetic engineering or synthetic biology, they applied the same method to recreate the related variola virus that causes smallpox (Noyce, 2018a). The close relation of

the horsepox virus to the variola virus suggested that the same method could be applied to recreate the variola virus. Back in 2003, a national security report had already warned about just this eventuality when considering the national security implications of synthesizing the poliovirus (Van Aken, 2003):

"However, the method for creating polio virus artificially cannot be directly transferred to the smallpox virus. The variola genome, with more than 200,000 base pairs, is far bigger than that of polio, and even if it were possible to recreate the full smallpox sequence in vitro, it could not easily be transformed into a live infectious virus particle. But there might be other ways. It would, for example, be possible to start with a closely related virus, such as monkeypox or mousepox, and to alter specifically those bases and sequences that differ from human smallpox." In assessing the risk of Smallpox being used as a bioweapon, consider that it

- Has been eradicated as a disease,
- There have been no reports of the wild virus,
- The last vaccinations occurred in 1980.
- That means most of the world's population is not vaccinated against smallpox,
- There are no large vaccine stocks at hand to conduct vaccination in case of an outbreak, a
- The disease has a mortality rate of around 20% in adults and 80% in children under the age of 5.
- The live virus exists only in two high-security labs in the US and Russia, posing minimal risk from accidental release, although there have been biosafety breaches in high security laboratories in recent years. Also Russia is one of five countries who maintain a complete bioweapons program, even having signed the BWC treaty.

"At its peak, the Soviet program involved some 65,000 scientists, technicians, and other workers hidden in dozens of facilities operated by the KGB, the Soviet Academy of Sciences, the Soviet Academy of Medical Sciences, and the Ministries of Defense, Agriculture, Health, and Chemical Industry. Much of this illegal biological weapons program was hidden in plain sight in facilities conducting research and development (R&D) for pharmaceutical, industrial, and other civilian purposes. Recent research projects indicate that the technological obstacles to the creation of an artificial variola virus are relatively small. Any number of national and non-national actors could successfully do it, giving them access to a live, infectious virus from the smallpox family.

Whether it is intended for use as a bioweapon or not, the risk of accidental release or theft of the virus for a biological attack becomes significantly greater as the number of locations containing the live virus increases.

This has prompted a considerable debate about the risk evaluation of a potential smallpox epidemic (DiEuliis, 2017; Koblenz, 2017; Noyce, 2018b; MacIntyre, 2020). Prof. Koblenz of George Mason University wrote:

"The synthesis of horsepox virus takes the world one step closer to the reemergence of smallpox as a threat to global health security. That threat has been held at bay for the past 40 years by the extreme difficulty of obtaining variola virus and the availability of effective medical countermeasures. The techniques demonstrated by the synthesis of horsepox have the potential to erase both of these barriers. The primary risk posed by this research is that it will open the door to the routine and widespread synthesis of other orthopoxviruses, such as vaccinia, for use in research, public health, and medicine. The normalization and globalization of orthopoxvirus

synthesis for these beneficial applications will create a cadre of laboratories and scientists that will also have the capability and expertise to create infectious variola virus from synthetic DNA. Unless the safeguards against the synthesis of variola virus are strengthened, the capability to reintroduce smallpox into the human population will be globally distributed and either loosely or completely unregulated, providing the foundation for a disgruntled or radicalized scientist, sophisticated terrorist group, unscrupulous company, or rogue state to recreate one of humanity's most feared microbial enemies. The reemergence of smallpox—because of a laboratory accident or an intentional release—would be a global health disaster." (Koblenz, 2017)

In response to the criticism, the researchers who synthesized the horsepox virus made several points (Noyce, 2018b):

- "All attempts to oppose technological advances have failed over centuries",
- "One should instead focus on regulating the products of these technologies"
- "Educate people of the need to plan mitigating strategies based upon a sound understanding of the risks."

The National Science Advisory Board for Biodefense (NSABB) eventually agreed that their oversight framework should be applied uniformly beyond the life sciences' federally funded research, to synthetic biology, academia and the private sector. But not to classified biodefense analysis and countermeasures - which includes Research of Concern.

The creators of the horsepox also added that pathogens like the variola virus are already under strict regulatory control in many countries:

"Possession of variola virus is a crime in Canada, and other countries have similar laws. Because there are DNA clone libraries, WHO recommends that no one should own >20% of the variola genome outside of the two authorized sites. Many countries follow these policies, and some legislate greater restrictions on the size of cloned variola sequences. Therefore, from a biosafety and biosecurity perspective, we already have some controls in place to manage the products of these technologies. Most of the regulatory recommendations are voluntary and follow vague criteria, rather than mandatory screening and enforcement.

• Finally, they concluded that many technological advances that provided great benefit to humanity were initially seen as a threat, and that includes genetic engineering, adding:

"As the memory of smallpox and polio fades, the challenge will be to educate new generations about the risk posed by these diseases. This necessitates providing the ongoing support that public health agencies will need to protect populations from even "extinct" epidemic diseases (emphasis added). The advance of technology means that no disease-causing organism can forever be eradicated."

This sort of rhetoric plays neatly into the hands of the pharmaceutical industry to justify continuing to recreate high risk deadly diseases and produce vaccines for them.

The reality of technological developments that allow the synthesis of pathogens that have been eradicated poses a unique national security threat.. World governments are required to step up and agree that the risks of conducting this research are too high and implement either a ban or regulatory framework capable of enforcing existing legislation. We might otherwise be faced with an epidemic of a disease that

has been long forgotten or a new synthetic strain.

The other important issue is the risk evaluation and justification of such work: the main purpose of global vaccination programs is to eradicate diseases so the vaccination would no longer be necessary. The creation of artificial pathogens defeats that purpose completely, creating an endless need for vaccination against terrible diseases simply because there is a risk from a release of an artificial pathogen. One must wonder whether this research and the knowledge obtained are worth imposing this high cost on the entire world.

Multiplex Automated Genome Engineering (MAGE)

One of the main disadvantages of synthetic biology is the lack of genetic diversity of its products. Genomic diversity is the most important feature of natural organisms, allowing populations in nature to adapt to a variety of environments. This diversity is a byproduct of the long natural evolution and selection processes that occur in the wild. This is extremely difficult to reproduce in laboratory conditions, as the evolutionary processes occur over a relatively long time (Elena, 2003) - 3.7 billion years of continuous, undisturbed evolution by natural selection, to be exact. To address the lack of diversity, a method was developed - multiplex automated genome engineering (MAGE), which accelerated evolutionary processes in the lab (Wang, 2009):

"...we describe multiplex automated genome engineering (MAGE) for large-scale programming and evolution of cells. MAGE simultaneously targets many locations on the chromosome for modification in a single cell or across a population of cells, thus producing combinatorial genomic diversity. Because the process is cyclical and scalable, we constructed prototype devices that automate the MAGE technology to facilitate the rapid and continuous generation of a diverse set of genetic changes (mismatches, insertions, deletions)."

The researchers applied MAGE to optimize the 1-deoxy-D-xylulose-5-phosphate (DXP) biosynthesis pathway in Escherichia coli to overproduce lycopene (Wang, 2009). They simultaneously modified 24 genetic components using a pool of synthetic DNA, creating 4.3 billion genomic variants per day. Within three days, they isolated variants with increased lycopene production.

The MAGE method creates strain libraries for large-scale genotype—phenotype mapping (Si, 2017). The process of genetic engineering typically requires both the identification of genetic determinants and optimization of their expression in a concerted manner to improve target traits. Most of the methods perform these two tasks separately by "either modifying individual genes on a genome scale or creating combinatorial diversity among pre-defined targets" (Si, 2017). Automation of multiplex genome-scale modifications provides both, at the same time; genetic diversity and genome-wide screening and multiplex optimization to identify and isolate strains with improved traits.

These recent advances – the development of MAGE method and its automation, provide the tools that allow rapid genome-scale engineering that can produce multiple simultaneous changes to the genome and then use accelerated evolution to screen for and isolate strains with desired traits. The rapid mutation and evolution process prevents the observation of, let alone study or biological correction of mutations, including those that are harmful or not beneficial.

MAGE changes the paradigm of genetic engineering: Instead of sequential editing of genomic targets where the desired editing event typically occurs at a very low frequency, MAGE can perform simultaneous editing of multiple targets and screen

an enormous number of strains for desired gene editing events (Bao, 2016). Some of the national security implications from MAGE technology are:

- Automated facilities are vulnerable to remote operation, release and theft.
- CRISPR, including the integration of synthetic DNA into existing organisms are produced with no risk assessment and unspecified protocols on waste management..
- The automated process allows the rapid creation and screening of billions of novel micro-organisms every day
  - No countermeasures or treatments exist.
- Screening different strains to identify those which underwent desired gene editing events and isolate those with desired traits. Indeterminate methods to identify and manage those that didn't
- Operators of MAGE laboratories should be assigned liability and responsibility for biosafety.
  - Projects are not required to provide evidence of safety testing
- Facilities do not have to produce an inventory to prove they are operating within the legal limit for storage, transfer and other Biosafety guidelines.
- The automated process allows the rapid creation and screening of billions of novel microorganisms every day, sufficient to serve as a bioweapon.

#### Conclusion

Recent rapid advances in biotechnology have opened up new possibilities for bioweapons development. Biological weapons were the first weapons of mass destruction to be identified and made illegal worldwide. Unlike the use of nuclear weapons which is decided at a national level, anyone can launch a bioweapon. Gene editing technologies have made biological weapons accessible to private national and international interests. The weaponization of biological agents is now affordable and potentially profitable. The large scale creation of engineered microorganisms and virus vectors can easily produce pathogens that: Render a vaccine ineffective;

Confer resistance to antibiotic or antiviral agents;

Enhance the virulence of a pathogen or render a non-pathogen virulent;

Increase the transmissibility of a pathogen;

Alter the host range of a pathogen;

Enable evasion of diagnosis or detection methods; and

Enable weaponization of a biological agent or toxin.

(Paquet, 2018)

It is easier, more accessible and more affordable than ever before for small factions to engage in bioweapon development. The threshold of technical and scientific knowledge and capacity has been lowered significantly by the new technologies. This allows people with little to no specialized training to engage in genetic engineering. More importantly few scientists and none of the automated machines in MAGE facilities are screening for harmful mutations.

When the online 'Library' of genetic sequences is described, it is not clear if there is a category for Potential Biological Weapon or Potential Pandemic Pathogen or Special Agent - which is another term for a biological agent that poses a pandemic risk to public health.

In response to the serious national and global security implications, governments

should urgently re-enter protocol negotiations on how to enforce the Biological Weapons Convention legislation. The current pandemic should provide additional leverage for regulatory bodies to demand more than voluntary reporting on biosafety, biosecurity, evidence of the benefits of the research and how the information can be safely shared.

If proposed health benefits are being used to justify genetic research and the taxpayers' investment, but the results being stopped from publication, then this serves the pharmaceutical industry too; in keeping their research and patented products out of regulatory scrutiny.

Since the collapse of negotiations as to how to implement the Biological Weapons Convention's governance,, the onus has been on scientists and individual research programs to follow voluntary Codes of Conduct. WHO stated that scientists themselves were in the best position to assess the risk of their own work. The priority given by the World Health Organization was to raise awareness of biosafety risks among life scientists through training and education. They hoped a culture of responsibility would facilitate this process.

CRISPR has made the creation of biological toxins and their genetic delivery straight forward. Multiplex Automated Genome Engineering (MAGE) has made it possible to scale up production, simultaneously edit multiple targets, with no human scientific or ethical oversight. In vivo gene editing has become a reality, with hundreds of clinical trials being conducted in the US alone. Synthetic biology with its low genetic diversity is being widely used, with no impact studies on the multiple functions of existing microbiomes in human and environmental health. Any of the products of these technologies could be utilized to harm even more readily than perform their stated objectives, such as cure disease.

Gain of function research is explicitly used to produce more virulent strains of known diseases with pandemic potential pathogens, while synthetic biology has been shown to have the potential to create artificial pathogens to recreate any disease. It might be tempting to conclude that the risks are exacerbated by the wide availability of information online: Genome databases that contain digital genome information on pandemic pathogens. However, it is relevant to look at the threat of bioweapons from other perspectives, including motivations to create a bioweapon; what might be the objective of an attack and who is funding the research. For dual use technology research alone, 7.6 billion dollars has been spent; 6.1 billion by taxpayers and 1.5 billion by the military (Kennedy, 2021) Military funding could point to these technologies specifically being developed for military purposes, including biological weapons and surveillance. This would be another reason to withhold the results of the research, as classified. Already the National Defense Strategy research is exempt from oversight, even though it evolved from the US Bioweapons Program. It now focuses on strategies to assess, prevent, protect against, respond to, and recover from biological threats. They have an exemplary R&D group DARPA who lead the way in coupling innovation with biosecurity. DARPA started the Safe Gene program in 2018 to develop safety guidelines including:

Techniques that allow gene editors to be switched off and back on again once inside a person or organism;

Development of drugs and other agents to block or reduce the action of gene editors; and

Tools to clean up environmental genomic "spills" and leave things as they were before

Developing and validating methods of molecular confinement that minimize the risk of unwanted genome editing.

https://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/biodefense-strategy/Pages/default.aspx (at bottom as well)

New assessments of gene-editing, synthetic biology and gain of function research, in the context of bioweapons, may be needed. However, the unreasonable risks are both obvious and comparable, whether the release is intentional or accidental. Noyce and Evans warned that the "advance of technology means that no diseasecausing organism can forever be eradicated." This fundamentally changes the paradigm of the global health strategy, which is predicated on the ability to eradicate diseases, using vaccination or other immunization tools. Once eradicated, a disease like smallpox would never be a threat to our communities and the economy. However, modern biotechnology allows a wide array of agents to resurrect deadly viruses and reignite diseases that have already been eradicated at a great cost. This raises the question about the proper balance of interests: the global community and humanity on one side, and a small group of scientists, biotechnology companies. pharmaceutical and military interests on the other. The former would no doubt strongly prefer these eradicated diseases to remain extinct, and see a ban on dangerous research. The latter see an interest in pursuing this avenue of research, without consideration for the broader public interest.

Therefore, the role of governments becomes more important than ever: Tto monitor, regulate, and prevent any research that poses an unacceptable risk to the public. Academic institutions must develop young scientists' awareness of the major threat of gene edited microorganisms entering the human or wider gene pool. Training should embed a code of conduct that takes into account the unpredictable interaction of genetically engineered organisms in nature and the potential misuse and weaponization of the technologies and their research.

Our society has made great advances in the past several decades and managed to suppress, contain, or eradicate many infectious diseases that have plagued humanity for millennia. However biotechnology companies have also managed to suppress, contain and eradicate many scientific studies which question the safety of their products and the genetic engineering process itself. That research could have prevented the emerging and established conditions associated with GMOs in our food supply. It is irresponsible for genetic research to be allowed to proliferate potential bioweapons; having not had to defend their reason for conducting the research in the first place; being under no obligation to share results and having provided no Biosecurity Evaluation. The legally-binding Biological Weapons Convention has been difficult to enforce until now. Each research project could be required to send an evidenced response to these basic guidelines, to get a license to proceed:

- Preventing the development and possession of biological warfare agents or weapons;
- Controlling access to dual-use biological materials, equipment, or associated information that could be used for hostile purposes;
- Promoting the safe and secure handling of pathogens and toxins inside and outside the laboratory;
- and ensuring that the risks from the most consequential types of biological research are properly identified, assessed, and mitigated before the work

is carried out.

Accepting that the threat from genetically engineered microbes is one of 'mass destruction' it is irresponsible to value unrestricted use of technology and commercial interests above it.

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Frances and I met with Ole Dammegard on September 20th to discuss the urgency of this matter, it appeared counter intuitive and a major negative to release mosquito eggs as a health strategy.

Ole organized a meeting with us and Professor Richard Claproth on September 21st 2023. He realized the seriousness of the situation. We discussed how governments had been lobbied to believe that gene editing was not GMO, that is accurate safe and predictable, but the opposite is the truth. Vaccines, mosquitoes and other biotech products pose a massive threat to human health and the environment by permanently changing the Gene pool

# 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023 Document requested by ministers, via Richard Claproth Gene Drives

In scientific terms, the World Mosquito Program (WMP) Wolbachia Method Mosquitoes are a Gene Drive.

Gene drives are much more dangerous even than the genetically engineered mosquitoes released by Oxitec.

Gene drives introduce a vast quantity of a new species into nature (Aedes Egypti permanently infected with Wolbachia bacteria, in this case), for which there is no existing evolutionary niche. What is so dangerous is that the micro-organism, Wolbachia Bacteria, and its host, the Aedes Egypt Mosquito, have been given a genetic advantage: Every surviving mosquito offspring from either the distributed eggs or future breeding with wild mosquitoes, will express the new genetic sequence, including the Wolbachia Bacteria.

The distribution of mosquito eggs must be stopped as it will increase Bali's mosquito population by millions.

In nature, offspring would inherit genes from each parent, which protects insect biodiversity and means that unsuccessful gene sequences can die out. Even Oxitec's genetically-engineered mosquitos were produced with an engineered 'limiting gene', so that the new species would not perpetuate in the wild, the activation of an aggressive gene intended to decimate the wild population and also a fluorescent gene to identify and monitor the GE mosquitoes. However unsuccessful, Oxitec sought to reduce mosquito populations by releasing only males, who were thought not to bite. What has been produced in the Yogyakarta laboratory is a huge-scale, epigenetic invasive species. Representatives of the World Mosquito Program state in several papers that they have no need to reduce the mosquito population. On the contrary, the plan is to release as many viable male and female eggs, to drive the dengue-resistant wolbachia-infected mosquitoes through the whole population. Also note that Oxitec had to withdraw their application to release mosquitoes in California this year.

The Bill Gates Foundation has FUNDED the majority of Gene Drive Research And the main interest in the DEVELOPMENT of Gene Drive technology are the US military,

Both connected to the Centre for Disease Control, (US-based CDC) invested in the Wolbachia Method research here.

There are international protocols requiring informed consent for the outdoor release of gene drives as they are irreversible. The majority of gene drive technology is for military purposes, and secondly for applications in Agriculture. Many countries, health and conservation organisations have formally requested a moratorium on even researching gene drive technology, because of the ecological implications https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CtdnlranVZI Thomas, J, ETC Group. And also the impact on other species, including human health.

Indonesian Achievements but a more global agenda and huge responsibility

The Wolbachia Method discoveries are Indonesian but the research was requested and funded specifically to meet Bill Gates' objectives. Research here started in 2004, after Bill Gates chose mosquito control for disease prevention as the research area to be studied and provided the funding, as part of his Global Strategy.

https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/268873/PMC2572389.pdf?sequence=1 This was a list which identified: No. 7. Develop a genetic strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect population and 3. Develop needle-free delivery systems for vaccines.

amongst its 14 objectives:

The 14 Grand Challenges in Global Health:

Improve childhood vaccines:

- 1. Create effective single-dose vaccines that can be used soon after birth.
- 2. Prepare vaccines that do not requirere frigeration.
- 3. Develop needle-free delivery systems for vaccines.

Create new vaccines:

- 4. Devise reliable tests in model systems to evaluate live attenuated vaccines.
- 5. Solve how to design antigens for effective, protective immunity.
- 6. Learn which immunological responses provide protective immunity.

Control insects that transmit agents of disease:

- 7. Develop a genetic strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect population.
- 8. Develop a chemical strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect

population.

Improve nutrition to promote health:

9. Create a full range of optimal, bioavailable nutrients in a single staple plant species.

Improve drug treatment of infectious diseases:

10. Discover drugs and delivery systems that minimize the likelihood of drug resistant

micro-organisms.

Cure latent and chronic infections:

- 11. Create therapies that can cure latent infections.
- 12. Create immunological methods that can cure chronic infections.

Measure disease and health status accurately and economically in developing countries:

- 13. Develop technologies that permit quantitative assessment of population health status.
- 14. Develop technologies that allow assessment of individuals for multiple conditions or

pathogens at point-of-care.

In WMP studies, Wolbachia is described as a 'helpful' bacteria and a 'harmless' bacteria but we do not know the infinite ways that this bacteria interacts and could interact. We don't even know what is Wolbachia's usual function in 50% of insects. With such huge funding from sources like The Bill Gates Foundation and 20 years support from the CDC and interest in this technology by the military, (and yet no reduction in disease yet), can ministers be sure that one of those funders does not

know more about Wolbachia than we, the authorities that are being asked to deposit vast amounts into our own environment. (On November 14th, the WMP scientists disclosed to two of Gladiator Bangsa that they knew of 11 other viruses in the mosquitoes and interactions with other species that caused a spike in Japanese Encephalitis.

Contradictory Descriptions of The Wolbachia Bacteria's Role

The mayor used the term 'exposed to' Wolbachia. The Yogyakarta trial reports used the term 'infected with' the bacteria and the researchers describe a process whereby they tried for many months to intentionally 'inject' Wolbachia into the mosquito eggs. The meaning of the words 'exposed to' suggest accident, 'infected with' alerts the reader to the very same risks as becoming infected with any other disease. The case studies and research reports are all extremely confused and confusing, with what organisms they hope to infect, how to perpetuate that infection, what infections they attempted for years to perpetuate and what infections they hope to prevent. The reports and results only confirm that the one species' health that is to be boosted is the mosquitoes, with a reinforced indestructible immune system. This has been done in the vague hope that mosquitoes continue to not transmit diseases in their bite. About these results results are said to be promising, likely and negligible, with no data evidence of safety or efficacy at all.

The main indicator that Wolbachia Bacteria could be being used as a bioweapon to deliver disruption to the female reproductive system is that the eggs of uninfected female mosquitoes mating with a Wolbachia-infected male will not hatch. They give no explanation of why not.

Some studies show that Wolbachia bacteria cause ovarian tumours.

In 2011, the Yogyakarta research did succeed in developing a method for introducing a Wolbachia bacteria into the Aedes Aegypti species, without using genetically

engineered mosquitoes, or gene-edited bacteria. Unfortunately, this is significant to safety and risk assessments and regulatory oversight for distribution. This is because it is common practice for laboratories to avoid environmental and human health impact studies and compliance by arguing that there was no unnatural or engineered organisms or microorganisms introduced. Reports state that the mosquitoes have all been bred through sexual reproduction rather than manufactured. The laboratory in Yogyakarta has been collecting native varieties and breeding at their facility since 2013.

The Indonesian University research facilities, may have gone to great lengths to avoid genetic engineering but the Wolbachia bacteria they injected into the eggs must have been isolated in the first place. Who supplied the Wolbachia bacteria?

Can ministers exclude the possibility that the Wolbachia bacteria can be used as an inoculation, as was Bill Gates goal to find a needle-less delivery system for vaccines? Can the Bali authorities be sure that this whole research project was not to make Indonesia the authors of their own demise; another assault to reduce the human population through various sterilising and other methods.

Wolbachia infection usually affects the reproduction of their hosts to promote their own proliferation and transmission (https://www.ncbi.nim.nih.gov pic - ref attached This paper also demonstrates the rise in Aedes Egypti population that Wolbachia-infection will guarantee). Cytoplasmic incompatibility allows Wolbachia to invade insect populations by causing embryonic mortality when uninfected females mate with infected males, conferring a selective advantage. There is a rising public health problem of incompatibility between mother and embryo. There is also the protein spikes causing immuno storms, also associated with Wolbachia. This could have a parallel in the covid 19 vaccines, rendering people unable to fight off other diseases. "The whole Wolbachia wAibB genome consists of 165 encompassing 49 scaffolds. It has 1,239,814 bp and an average GC content of 33.7%. The genome contains 1,209 predicted protein-coding sequences with an average length of 349 bp. 34 tRNA genes, and one rRNA copy split in 2 operons (165 and 5S-23S).

There will be no way to monitor what contaminations, species collapse, conditions and cases of fever were caused by what vectors, let alone what cases were avoided.

Risk assessment for how this complex bacteria will be driven to mutate to compete with other diseases: How the bacteria will spread through horizontal gene transfer to other species and humans in particular with a threat to pregnant women, the possibility of driving diseases more serious than they are now (as happened with the initially Zika virus) It needs to be asked, what percentage of the funding and research was dedicated to testing what would happen in the environment? And those results would then need to be in the public domain for informed consent to be possible.

For the field studies of this scientific experiment, the parameters used for the trials in Yogyakarta were 1) incidence of dengue and 2) severity of cases. This suggests that Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever is being presupposed to be a severe case of Dengue when actually it is a different strain altogether. The producers of this health strategy make no claim that the release of mosquitoes will reduce the severity of the diseases. The trials do not mention whether other diseases were present or even tested for. Releasing a flying organism whose habitat is water makes a mockery of the idea of a control group, to weigh up the risks and benefits.

When the symptoms of fever, internal and external bleeding, spike protein auto immune conditions, etc start to rise, the health system will have no way of distinguishing which were caused by Dengue, Malaria, a variant of Covid 19, an increased allergic intolerance to mosquito bites. Let alone estimating how many cases of serious illness were avoided due to such a release.

I anticipate that the Minister for Health is going to be so horrified at the extent he has been personally and professionally used, to successfully implement this heinous plan that he won't just stop this mosquito release but will also be determined to reach out to other nations and demand redress. Block the WHO treaty, implement compensation and karmic punishment for the perpetrators.

The Funding Was A Drop In The Ocean

The end game for the World Health Organization is the signing and ratification of a

global treaty in the next few months

by every country in the world, which gives the W.H.O.

the power to decide a global health strategy and pandemic response,

Declare pandemic emergencies

Provide, deliver and mandate vaccines, lockdowns, distancing, and other smart technologies.

## By body, my choice

Health decisions will be above individual governments, doctors, and the choices of individual men and women

## **Biological Scatterbombs**

In the last pandemic and earlier biological releases, GMOs into agriculture/food and now insect releases

The population was introduced to the idea: My Body Your Choice

As people were coerced and bullied into staying at home and listening to instructions delivered by their public servants through captured technology and information channels and then

Turned out only to receive an experimental vaccine - the first pharmaceutical drug to ever be allowed on the market, without its active ingredients being in the public domain.

Publicly sponsored gene therapies, bypassing independent safety studies by being allowed to patent their research

Consensus was achieved

With a marketing strategy:

Call the genetically engineered gene-therapy a 'vaccine'

People are used to getting vaccines

Get the Family General Practitioners/Doctors to administer it

Because People trust their doctors

And then mandate the delivery of a vaccine or other health strategy

### **Funding**

The hundreds of billions spent could have raised the standard of living Billions have been spent on this scientific experiment for improved public health in Bali when that amount of money would obviously have raised the quality of life, housing, nutrition, sanitisation, care, drinking water quality and water management, and reduced mosquito breeding grounds and people's exposure to diseases, related to poverty and poor infrastructure, for the whole population. Somehow the authorities have been gas-lighted into believing that it would be beneficial to make every fresh water source, treatment plant, pool, reservoir and irrigation system, not only a mosquito breeding ground but even plan and budget for the systematic distribution of mosquito eggs in North, South, East and West of Depensa. Can we see exactly where those distribution points are and if not, why not?

Were the army brought into the ceremony of releasing the mosquitos in Yogyakarta, in order to make sure there was no resistance to the plan? Will any party be allowed to withhold this map of planned distribution points for any reason? Ministers need to be familiar with that map, as they will be accountable for any contamination down-

stream. And the map needs to be published so that independent experts and community figures can contribute their concerns and use the mapped information to block the highest risk areas, and or the whole roll out. Regulations include not releasing mosquitoes within 500metres of a waste water treatment plant, orchard, crops, or livestock facilities. In our instance eggs have to be near water.

#### The Law

We have a Carter Heiner Protocol (? I have not seen this written down only spoken about so hopefully we can find it and use it) for safety, which is intended to require risk assessments for these kind of releases. There are also strict export standards required by the European Union. There is a direct parallel for Bali, with the Target Malaria releases in Brazil. That research consortium is saying they don't need to do these kind of risk assessment. They are arguing that because the mosquitoes are being bred in Brazil, that means they are exempt from export requirements. These were eggs that were to be flown to Brazil from somewhere else. Just because the mosquitoes have been bred here, does not mean we should not meet export standard. Does Indonesia plan to send eggs produced here to other countries too? It is a way to not take responsibility for the effects of the releases. Consent

When a scheme is fully intended to have an impact on people's health, you need people to engage and should require informed consent. Can the authorities be sure that the process is not just being run by the organizations who are producing them. (Dr H Wallace GeneWatch)

Are all the standards and processes in place, in Bali? Which regulatory body will oversee compliance with those standards. Do they have the full studies and have they conducted their own independent risk assessments for human health, and environmental impact. Or is there is a lack of transparency and their approval of the mosquitoes release assumed?

The public have been informed rather than consulted.

Billions spent, plus twenty years time (in Yogyakarta University), energy and application of the finest minds and experts in the region, was a more economical disease prevention plan than other health strategies? No

Reports and press releases specifically promote the economy and affordability of the Wolbachia Method Mosquito strategy over the cost of a Dengue vaccine. This is how the Indonesian Authorities have been programmed to buy and sell one or other toxic, life-threatening experimental product.

The Bill Gates Foundation couldn't do it without them. It is a matter of trust. Local people have a real belief that there are good mosquitoes and bad mosquitoes. The good mosquitoes have been made or bred by reliable, sensible and responsible not-for-profit organisations.

Vaccine or mosquitoes, make your choice

These alternative srategies; mosquitoes and vaccines, are repeatedly shared, even though neither are a solution, specifically to normalise the idea that the Health Authorities have to provide one or the other.

These are not social solutions, people-centred solutions, and they do not use one element of Balinese or wider Indonesian medicine or understanding of the human body, life and place in nature. Furthermore the choice of mosquitoes or vaccines, serves as a threat to individuals or communities who oppose the massive mosquito release: It says; if you don't consent to the mosquitoes, you will have to accept another mandatory vaccine program. Also, you will be referred to as partly responsible for the considerable financial burden of the vaccine research, purchase and roll out, on the public purse.

Of course, it is nonsense to say that hundreds of billions have been spent on the mosquito research, and then argue it was cost effective and cheaper than any other strategy. When it clearly wasn't.

#### Curfew

There is now news being published of times of the day when mosquitoes bite: between 6 and 8am and between 5 and 8pm. This is the beginning of the introduction of a curfew, a provisional lockdown for Bali residents' own good when the mosquitoes are released.

## **Smart City**

There is a very real threat that the population of Bali will not be able to manage the uprising in disease and allergic reactions, whatever cause they are assigned to. To cover up this destruction, the only course of action is to burn the habitats and land. The habitats include all houses. All houses of the poorer residents at least and all the plant life.

Whatever the cause of this apparently spontaneous fire could be, there is a risk upon risk of destroying life on the island.

We sent our next lot of documents to Richard for the Health Minister titled "In scientific terms the WMP Wolbachia method mosquitoes are a gene drive, Genes Drives are much more dangerous even than the genetically engineered mosquitoes released by Oxitec".

Over the following days many Zoom meetings were held with Frances and I along with Gladiator bangsa team members to prepare for the upcoming important zoom meeting open discussion

September 26th we received a scale up report and implementation document called pilot project Wolbachia from the Minister of Health so that we could understand his reasons for the release. This report shows evidence of IP Technology being used in the mosquitoes.

#### Sent document: Summary:

Frances, Margaret, Mary and Richard discussed the potential dangers and implications of an invention related to a gene drive, which has never been trialed outside a laboratory. Frances expressed concerns about the supercharged immune system of the introduced species and the lack of provision to reduce the population of mosquitoes. She also highlighted the risks of unintentional migration, the

involvement of the military governing body Darpa, and the potential for intellectual property challenges to be the only legal concern.

Margaret and Frances discussed the percentage reduction in mosquito populations and the potential risks of introducing new species of mosquitoes. Frances also raised concerns about the potential dangers of a nanotechnology that can monitor soil fertilizer and bacteria and the risks of genetically modified mosquitoes spreading pathogens.

Additionally, Frances and Margaret discussed the issue of malaria cases resulting from the release of mosquitoes and the need for the government to guarantee assistance for those affected. The team also discussed the importance of considering national security in the project and the need for better risk assessments and more studies on this topic. Lastly, they discussed the need to socialize a program to the local community and the importance of informing them of their rights and potential impacts.

- Gene Drive Invention and Ecosystem Disruption Discussed We discussed an invention related to a gene drive, which has never been trialed outside a laboratory. Frances clarified the potential dangers of a gene drive, explaining that it introduces a novel species into an ecosystem and can disrupt it. Furthermore, she expressed concern over the invention's supercharged immune system and lack of provision to reduce the population of mosquitoes. There were some technical difficulties with the recording, resulting in some loss of information.
- Mosquito Egg Threat: Wolbachia and Allergic Risks
  Frances expressed concerns about the potential for a significant increase in
  mosquito populations due to the discovery that mosquito eggs carry pathogens and
  a symbiotic bacteria, Wolbachia, which could be passed on to future generations.
  She highlighted the risk of allergic reactions from multiple bites and the importance
  of understanding the frequency and timing of egg release. Frances also noted that
  the bacteria, Wolbachia, has been seen to cause health issues in humans and there
  is a need to track where the eggs are being released due to their attraction to water
  sources.
- Genetically Modified Mosquitoes and Intellectual Property Concerns
  Frances expressed concerns about the potential dangers and implications of
  exporting genetically modified mosquitoes, referencing their proximity to water
  sources and the possibility of unintentional migration. She also highlighted the
  involvement of the East-west, North and South Irrigation Company in the release of
  mosquitoes in Maui and the associated risks. Frances also discussed the role of
  Darpa, the military governing body, in overseeing gene drive technology and its
  potential applications. Lastly, she expressed her belief that the only legal concern
  these entities have is the potential for intellectual property challenges, rather than the
  potential harm to public health.
- Mosquito Population Reduction: Implications and Risks
   Margaret and Frances discussed the percentage reduction in mosquito
   populations and its implications. They questioned why there isn't a hundred percent after twenty years of efforts and raised concerns about the potential introducing new species of mosquitoes. They highlighted the lack of

understanding about the impact on different diseases such as dengue and dengue hemorrhagic fever, as well as the potential long-term effects on the immune systems of mosquitoes and humans. They also touched upon the funding implications of the project, with Frances suggesting that the promise of reduced dengue cases might not be enough to justify a twenty-year investment.

## Vector or Vaccine: A Public Choice

Frances discussed the perceived dilemma of accepting mosquitoes or a vaccine, suggesting that the public might have to choose between the two. She pointed out that the Gates Foundation's 2003 plan was to find a way to deliver vaccines without a needle, and identified the mosquito as a potential vector for multiple boosters. Frances also raised concerns about the potential for genes, including nanotechnology, to be smuggled in through the original bacteria used in the research.

Concerns on Nanotechnology and Genetic Modification Frances expressed concern over potential risks associated with a can monitor soil fertilizer and bacteria, and also nanotechnology that potentially interact with them. She also discussed the dangers of releasing genetically modified mosquitoes into the environment due to the lack of tracking and monitoring capabilities. Frances mentioned the possibility of these mosquitoes interacting with other microbes and organisms, leading to unknown health and ecosystem impacts. She also connected this to a possible curfew idea, which she felt was an attempt to limit the exposure of people to mosquitoes. Frances highlighted the issue of genetically engineered eggs and the potential they hold for spreading pathogens.

# Malaria Outbreak and Accountability Discussed

Frances and Margaret discussed the issue of malaria cases resulting from the release of mosquitoes. They agreed that the government needs to guarantee assistance for those affected and hold the responsible parties accountable. They noted that the regulatory systems are not in place and the governance should be by the people who release them.

• Biohazards, Malaria, and Financial Risks Discussion

There was a discussion about the potential risks and opportunities associated with various biohazards and malaria projects. Frances expressed concern about financial and health risks, and the possibility of malicious use of genetic engineering tools. She suggested that targeting the World Health Organization could lead to financial

compensation for wasted time and risks. Additionally, Frances highlighted the importance of knowing the origin and plan of these hazards. The format of the meeting for Gladiator Bangsa will also changed to accommodate the presence of scientists from Government of Indonesia including the research team from University of Gajahmada

National Security in Project Discussed

We discussed the importance of considering national security in a project. We acknowledged that the involvement of intelligence personnel could potentially cause issues, but also noted its importance for the project. Frances suggested that

they should persist with the intelligence personnel for now. Additionally, we talked about the need for credible answers to questions about the project and the potential for legal implications. Lastly, we mentioned the need for better risk assessments and more studies on this topic.

- Community Socialization and Consent Letter Discussion
   The team discussed the need to socialize a program to the local community,
   with a focus on informing them of their rights and potential impacts. A key point of contention was the requirement for a letter of consent from the 44 local villages. There was also discussion about the importance of conducting a risk assessment, referencing a successful effort in California. The team decided to seek a transcript of this meeting to aid in their future strategies.
- New Websites and Moderation Needs
  Richard discussed the introduction of two side, one of which would represent
  the government. They also discussed the need for a moderator to manage
  interactions between users of the sites. The format of the discussion was
  described as different from previous ones. Richard suggesting the need for a
  more indirect approach, such as trapping them. Frances will have the first
  chance to speak on the new sites.
- Debating Risks of Mosquito Genetic Drive in Indonesia
  There was a detailed discussion about a mosquito program involving genetic
  drive, which was claimed to be a first for Indonesia. The team debated the potential
  dangers of this genetic drive versus genetic engineering, with an emphasis on
  the need to elude rather than attack opponents. The conversation also touched on
  a factory in Brazil producing mosquito eggs, and the potential for disaster due to
  previous issues with mosquito releases in Brazil. The team ended with the
  acknowledgment that a risk assessment might have been conducted.
- The team discussed their strategy for a future legal challenge. Margaret and Frances agreed that they didn't need to share their questions with the opposing party, as they felt it was more advantageous to know the answers they would be asked. Richard emphasized the importance of their conversation being recorded and later transcribed, noting that the information could be used later. They discussed their plan to share the transcript with the local Parliament and village leaders. The team

also discussed the issue of the government not needing to gain local people's

Legal Strategy and Consent Issues

consent, a topic they aimed to clarify in their future discourse.

a concern about the attendance of certain individuals.

- Managing Risks and Communication Strategies
   Frances discussed the importance of understanding and managing the risks associated with gene drives. There was a focus on preparation for an upcoming meeting and the need for effective communication strategies. The team also discussed the potential for conflict management and the importance of selecting the right people for the meeting. The next meeting is to be live-streamed, and there was
  - Space Army and Darpa Concerns: Potential Attack

Frances expressed her concerns about an alleged connection between the Space Army and Darpa, which had reportedly caused damage to Maui. She also suggested that there might be a potential major attack. The team agreed with her concerns and mentioned the need for more time with the group. It was noted that another meeting might be necessary to discuss these issues further, possibly in October.

# Next Steps

- 1. We have to consider action items from the discussion.
- 2. Investigate the claims made by the World Mosquito Program and their reduction of mosquito populations.
- 3. Look into the potential risks associated with the release of genetically modified mosquitoes.
- 4. Obtain a transcript of the meeting (in California?) for further research on risk assessments.

We also looked at the risk assessment which identified 50 hazards

## 27<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Points Clarity Document followed Summary above

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Gene drives introduce a vast quantity of a new species into nature (Aedes Egypti permanently infected with Wolbachia bacteria, in this case), for which there is no existing evolutionary niche. What is so dangerous is that the micro-organism, Wolbachia Bacteria, and its host, the Aedes Egypt Mosquito, have been given a genetic advantage: Every surviving mosquito offspring from either the distributed eggs or future breeding with wild mosquitoes, will express the new genetic sequence, including the Wolbachia Bacteria.

The distribution of mosquito eggs must be stopped as it will increase Bali's mosquito population by millions.

In nature, offspring would inherit genes from each parent, which protects insect biodiversity and means that unsuccessful gene sequences can die out. Even Oxitec's genetically-engineered mosquitos were produced with an engineered 'limiting gene', so that the new species would not perpetuate in the wild, the activation of an aggressive gene intended to decimate the wild population and also a fluorescent gene to identify and monitor the GE mosquitoes. However unsuccessful, Oxitec sought to reduce mosquito populations by releasing only males, who were thought not to bite. What has been produced in the Yogyakarta laboratory is a huge-scale, epigenetic invasive species. Representatives of the World Mosquito Program state in several papers that they have no need to reduce the mosquito population. On the contrary, the plan is to release as many viable male and female eggs, to drive the dengue-resistant wolbachia-infected mosquitoes through the whole population. Also note that Oxitec had to withdraw their application to release mosquitoes in California this year.

The Bill Gates Foundation has FUNDED the majority of Gene Drive Research And the main interest in the DEVELOPMENT of Gene Drive technology are the US military.

Both connected to the Centre for Disease Control, (US-based CDC) invested in the Wolbachia Method research here.

There are international protocols requiring informed consent for the outdoor release of gene drives as they are irreversible. The majority of gene drive technology is for military purposes, and secondly for applications in Agriculture. Many countries, health and conservation organisations have formally requested a moratorium on even researching gene drive technology, because of the ecological implications https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CtdnlranVZI Thomas, J, ETC Group. And also the impact on other species, including human health.

Indonesian Achievements but a more global agenda and huge responsibility

The Wolbachia Method discoveries are Indonesian but the research was requested and funded specifically to meet Bill Gates' objectives. Research here started in 2004, after Bill Gates chose mosquito control for disease prevention as the research area to be studied and provided the funding, as part of his Global Strategy. https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/268873/PMC2572389.pdf?sequence=1 This was a list which identified: No. 7. Develop a genetic strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect population and 3. Develop needle-free delivery systems for vaccines.

amongst its 14 objectives:

The 14 Grand Challenges in Global Health:

Improve childhood vaccines:

- 1. Create effective single-dose vaccines that can be used soon after birth.
- 2. Prepare vaccines that do not requirere frigeration.
- 3. Develop needle-free delivery systems for vaccines.

Create new vaccines:

- 4. Devise reliable tests in model systems to evaluate live attenuated vaccines.
- 5. Solve how to design antigens for effective, protective immunity.
- 6. Learn which immunological responses provide protective immunity.

Control insects that transmit agents of disease:

- 7. Develop a genetic strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect population.
- 8. Develop a chemical strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect

population.

Improve nutrition to promote health:

9. Create a full range of optimal, bioavailable nutrients in a single staple plant species.

Improve drug treatment of infectious diseases:

10. Discover drugs and delivery systems that minimize the likelihood of drug resistant

micro-organisms.

Cure latent and chronic infections:

- 11. Create therapies that can cure latent infections.
- 12. Create immunological methods that can cure chronic infections.

Measure disease and health status accurately and economically in developing countries:

- 13. Develop technologies that permit quantitative assessment of population health status.
- 14. Develop technologies that allow assessment of individuals for multiple conditions or

pathogens at point-of-care.

In WMP studies, Wolbachia is described as a 'helpful' bacteria and a 'harmless' bacteria but we do not know the infinite ways that this bacteria interacts and could interact. We don't even know what is Wolbachia's usual function in 50% of insects. With such huge funding from sources like The Bill Gates Foundation and 20 years support from the CDC and interest in this technology by the military, (and yet no reduction in disease yet), can ministers be sure that one of those funders does not know more about Wolbachia than we (the authorities that are being asked to deposit vast amounts into their own environment).

Contradictory Descriptions of The Wolbachia Bacteria's Role

The mayor used the term 'exposed to' Wolbachia. The Yogyakarta trial reports used the term 'infected with' the bacteria and the researchers describe a process whereby they tried for many months to intentionally 'inject' Wolbachia into the mosquito eggs. The meaning of the words 'exposed to' suggest accident, 'infected with' alerts the reader to the very same risks as becoming infected with any other disease. The case studies and research reports are all extremely confused and confusing, with what organisms they hope to infect, how to perpetuate that infection, what infections they attempted for years to perpetuate and what infections they hope to prevent. The reports and results only confirm that the one species' health that is to be boosted is the mosquitoes, with a reinforced indestructible immune system. This has been done in the vague hope that mosquitoes continue to not transmit diseases in their bite. About these results results are said to be promising, likely and negligible, with no data evidence of safety or efficacy at all.

The main indicator that Wolbachia Bacteria could be being used as a bioweapon to deliver disruption to the female reproductive system is that the eggs of uninfected female mosquitoes mating with a Wolbachia-infected male will not hatch. They give no explanation of why not.

Some studies show that Wolbachia bacteria cause ovarian tumours.

In 2011, the Yogyakarta research did succeed in developing a method for introducing a Wolbachia bacteria into the Aedes Aegypti species, without using genetically

engineered mosquitoes, or gene-edited bacteria. Unfortunately, this is significant to safety and risk assessments and regulatory oversight for distribution. This is because it is common practice for laboratories to avoid environmental and human health impact studies and compliance by arguing that there was no unnatural or engineered organisms or microorganisms introduced. Reports state that the mosquitoes have all been bred through sexual reproduction rather than

manufactured. The laboratory in Yogyakarta has been collecting native varieties and breeding at their facility since 2013.

The Indonesian University research facilities, may have gone to great lengths to avoid genetic engineering but the Wolbachia bacteria they injected into the eggs must have been isolated in the first place. Who supplied the Wolbachia bacteria?

Can ministers exclude the possibility that the Wolbachia bacteria can be used as an inoculation, as was Bill Gates goal to find a needle-less delivery system for vaccines? Can the Bali authorities be sure that this whole research project was not to make Indonesia the authors of their own demise; another assault to reduce the human population through various sterilising and other methods.

Wolbachia infection usually affects the reproduction of their hosts to promote their own proliferation and transmission (https://www.ncbi.nim.nih.gov pic - ref attached This paper also demonstrates the rise in Aedes Egypti population that Wolbachia-infection will guarantee). Cytoplasmic incompatibility allows Wolbachia to invade insect populations by causing embryonic mortality when uninfected females mate with infected males, conferring a selective advantage. There is a rising public health problem of incompatibility between mother and embryo. There is also the protein spikes causing immuno storms, also associated with Wolbachia. This could have a parallel in the covid 19 vaccines, rendering people unable to fight off other diseases. "The whole Wolbachia wAibB genome consists of 165 encompassing 49 scaffolds. It has 1,239,814 bp and an average GC content of 33.7%. The genome contains 1,209 predicted protein-coding sequences with an average length of 349 bp. 34 tRNA genes, and one rRNA copy split in 2 operons (165 and 5S-23S).

There will be no way to monitor what contaminations, species collapse, conditions and cases of fever were caused by what vectors, let alone what cases were avoided.

Risk assessment for how this complex bacteria will be driven to mutate to compete with other diseases: How the bacteria will spread through horizontal gene transfer to other species and humans in particular with a threat to pregnant women, the possibility of driving diseases more serious than they are now (as happened with the initially Zika virus) It needs to be asked, what percentage of the funding and research was dedicated to testing what would happen in the environment? And those results would then need to be in the public domain for informed consent to be possible.

For the field studies of this scientific experiment, the parameters used for the trials in Yogyakarta were 1) incidence of dengue and 2) severity of cases. This suggests that Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever is being presupposed to be a severe case of Dengue when actually it is a different strain altogether. The producers of this health strategy make no claim that the release of mosquitoes will reduce the severity of the diseases. The trials do not mention whether other diseases were present or even tested for. Releasing a flying organism whose habitat is water makes a mockery of the idea of a control group, to weigh up the risks and benefits.

When the symptoms of fever, internal and external bleeding, spike protein auto immune conditions, etc start to rise, the health system will have no way of distinguishing which were caused by Dengue, Malaria, a variant of Covid 19, an increased allergic intolerance to mosquito bites. Let alone estimating how many cases of serious illness were avoided due to such a release.

The females will still bite and the only benefit is that in the limited studies done, the Wolbachia -infected mosquitos will not carry disease and therefore spread it through their bite. There is no mention of how well they carry Zika, or Yellow Fever or the other strains of Dengue.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GKVikYJOjis their own video explanation. The studies even admit that it is unclear how the inserted Wolbachia seems to outcompete Dengue.

and other diseases in the species, making them less likely to transmit disease.

There is no way to assess the risk. The study identifies over 50 hazards and describe them as unlikely.

I anticipate that the Minister for Health is going to be so horrified at the extent he has been personally and professionally used, to successfully implement this heinous plan that he won't just stop this mosquito release but will also be determined to reach out to other nations and demand redress. Block the WHO treaty, implement compensation and karmic punishment for the perpetrators.

The Funding Was A Drop In The Ocean

The end game for the World Health Organization is the signing and ratification of a global treaty in the next few months

by every country in the world, which gives the W.H.O.

the power to decide a global health strategy and pandemic response,

Declare pandemic emergencies

Provide, deliver and mandate vaccines, lockdowns, distancing, and other smart technologies.

### By body, my choice

Health decisions will be above individual governments, doctors, and the choices of individual men and women

#### Biological Scatter bombs

In the last pandemic and earlier biological releases, GMOs into agriculture/food and now insect releases

The population was introduced to the idea: My Body Your Choice

As people were coerced and bullied into staying at home and listening to instructions delivered by their public servants through captured technology and information channels and then

Turned out only to receive an experimental vaccine - the first pharmaceutical drug to ever be allowed on the market, without its active ingredients being in the public domain.

Publicly sponsored gene therapies, bypassing independent safety studies by being

allowed to patent their research
Consensus was achieved
With a marketing strategy:
Call the genetically engineered gene-therapy a 'vaccine'
People are used to getting vaccines
Get the Family General Practitioners/Doctors to administer it
Because People trust their doctors

And then mandate the delivery of a vaccine or other health strategy

## **Funding**

The hundreds of billions spent could have raised the standard of living Billions have been spent on this scientific experiment for improved public health in Bali when that amount of money would obviously have raised the quality of life, housing, nutrition, sanitisation, care, drinking water quality and water management, and reduced mosquito breeding grounds and people's exposure to diseases, related to poverty and poor infrastructure, for the whole population. Somehow the authorities have been gas-lighted into believing that it would be beneficial to make every fresh water source, treatment plant, pool, reservoir and irrigation system, not only a mosquito breeding ground but even plan and budget for the systematic distribution of mosquito eggs in North, South, East and West of Depensa. Can we see exactly where those distribution points are and if not, why not?

Were the armiy brought into the ceremony of releasing the mosquitos in Yogyakarta, in order to make sure there was no resistance to the plan? Will any party be allowed to withhold this map of planned distribution points for any reason? Ministers need to be familiar with that map, as they will be accountable for any contamination downstream. And the map needs to be published so that independent experts and community figures can contribute their concerns and use the mapped information to block the highest risk areas, and or the whole roll out. Regulations include not releasing mosquitoes within 500metres of a waste water treatment plant, orchard, crops, or livestock facilities. In our instance eggs have to be near water.

## The Law

We have a Carter Heiner Protocol (? I have not seen this written down only spoken about so hopefully we can find it and use it) for safety, which is intended to require risk assessments for these kind of releases. There are also strict export standards required by the European Union. There is a direct parallel for Bali, with the Target Malaria releases in Brazil. That research consortium is saying they don't need to do these kind of risk assessment. They are arguing that because the mosquitoes are being bred in Brazil, that means they are exempt from export requirements. These were eggs that were to be flown to Brazil from somewhere else. Just because the mosquitoes have been bred here, does not mean we should not meet export standard. Does Indonesia plan to send eggs produced here to other countries too? It is a way to not take responsibility for the effects of the releases. Consent

When a scheme is fully intended to have an impact on people's health, you need people to engage and should require informed consent. Can the authorities be sure

that the process is not just being run by the organizations who are producing them. (Dr H Wallace GeneWatch)

Are all the standards and processes in place, in Bali? Which regulatory body will oversee compliance with those standards. Do they have the full studies and have they conducted their own independent risk assessments for human health, and environmental impact. Or is there is a lack of transparency and their approval of the mosquitoes release assumed?

The public have been informed rather than consulted.

Billions spent, plus twenty years time, energy and application of the finest minds and experts in the region, was a more economical disease prevention plan than other health strategies? No

Reports and press releases specifically promote the economy and affordability of the Wolbachia Method Mosquito strategy over the cost of a Dengue vaccine. This is how the Indonesian Authorities have been programmed to buy and sell one or other toxic, life-threatening experimental product.

The Bill Gates Foundation couldn't do it without them. It is a matter of trust. Local people have a real belief that there are good mosquitoes and bad mosquitoes. The good mosquitoes have been made or bred by reliable, sensible and responsible not-for-profit organisations.

Vaccine or mosquitoes, make your choice

These alternative srategies; mosquitoes and vaccines, are repeatedly shared, even though neither are a solution, specifically to normalise the idea that the Health Authorities have to provide one or the other.

These are not social solutions, people-centred solutions, and they do not use one element of Balinese or wider Indonesian medicine or understanding of the human body, life and place in nature. Furthermore the choice of mosquitoes or vaccines, serves as a threat to individuals or communities who oppose the massive mosquito release: It says; if you don't consent to the mosquitoes, you will have to accept another mandatory vaccine program. Also, you will be referred to as partly responsible for the considerable financial burden of the vaccine research, purchase and roll out, on the public purse.

Of course, it is nonsense to say that hundreds of billions have been spent on the mosquito research, and then argue it was cost effective and cheaper than any other strategy. When it clearly wasn't.

#### Curfew

There is now news being published of times of the day when mosquitoes bite: between 6 and 8am and between 5 and 8pm. This is the beginning of the introduction of a curfew, a provisional lockdown for Bali residents' own good when the mosquitoes are released.

Smart City

There is a very real threat that the population of Bali will not be able to manage the uprising in disease and allergic reactions, whatever cause they are assigned to. To cover up this destruction, the only course of action is to burn the habitats and land. The habitats include all houses. All houses of the poorer residents at least and all the plant life.

Whatever the cause of this apparently spontaneous fire could be, there is a risk upon risk of destroying life on this island.

Papers conclude that no-one is obviously liable yet for the amount of money that may be payable in apology and compensation and remedy.

WMP impact spokeswoman mentions, without explanation, that the eggs of an uninfected female, following mating with an infected male just won't hatch. But why will they not hatch? Other papers found that Wolbachia had been linked to ovarian tumours and reproduction system defects.

To notice a change in reproduction capacity of a species and then not conduct major studies before distributing these infected eggs, is putting women and babies at an unacceptable level of risk. Other Wolbachia-related diseases are water-borne and there is no way to predict how gene transfer and other interactions will trigger the Wolbachia bacteria, or drive a more aggressive strain of the dengue. Wolbachia is associated with two mechanisms of viral protection.

https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fimmu.2020.626329/full Activation of host immunity (the host being the mosquito) or competition with disease viruses for cellular resources. In studies, in laboratory conditions the wolbachia out-competed the dengue virus but there is no way of knowing how either microbe would evolve to survive in nature. Even the studies that described the results as 'promising', 'hopeful' and the Wolbachia as 'helpful' even stated that it was 'unclear why' it worked. That is not a scientific blind tested refuted, Changing a whole

#### Vaccine/mosquito

California Blocked it following the warnings and dangers and failures, all of which apply to the Indonesian and Hawaii plans.

Beyond Pesiticides. May 17 2023 Oxitec withdrew its application to release of billions of genetically engineered mosquitoes in California, according to a recent update from the California department of regulation: Journey

Experimental Use permit. Spreading antibiotic resistance, ( caused by feeding canned chicken cat food which) or make mosquito borne diseases worse by lowering individual immunity. Lack of proven results to date. Data from the Caymen Islands under a 2 year contract with Oxitec. Refused to renew the contract. Proper risk assessments were never really done, risk assessments that met European standards:

The legal requirement for the export of these mosquitoes were never published or consulted on.

Efficacy data has not been publicly reifies as regulators permit companies to maintain their internal data as confidential business information. 98% oxitec claim. What are the claims that the Yogyakarta lab has made and have they been publicly verified.

## **Publicly**

The withdrawal from California is a major acknowledgement that the project is too ineffective and risky for public health, beyond pestidcides. They can be managed by eliminating standing water and encouraging predators. The eggs can dry out but need water to hatch and their larvae stage, when they eat organic matter from stagnant water. Which sites would these eggs be positioned?

They really need to know where the Wolbachia came from as so much can be 'smuggled in with a bacteria'

Gene editing - genetic molecular scissors and guide that looks for a match along the genome. All very similar to cause cuts in the wrong place. Hundreds of cuts from this process so we're making changes in un planned place. It's the cellular mechanism that repairs it. Deletions, additions, scrambled genetic information. In the repair. Chromothripsis shatters the chromosome and it repairs and causes cancer. They put in cows and goats, Serum house of mouse. SO when crispr cut, it grabbed antibiotic genes which caused resistance. Cause allergens and toxins. Could cause serious diseases and death. Gene editing equipment, you can use a gene gun and fire or smuggle it in with a bacteria. Or cloning, creates massive numbers of mutations. Things that don't come from natural reproduction.

## Profit/not for profit

Persuaded to de-regulate gene edited microorganisms as if it is predictable and safe. Future generations at risk for our folly at replacing nature

The WPG collaborative between - global non for profit initiative that is working to protect local communities from mosquito borne diseases such as yellow fever dengue

The introduction of new genetic material could turn on a silent gene, a carcinogen. It could generate autoimmunity or supercharge the host. Once the Wolbachia was inserted and shown to block mosquitoes ability to carry dengue, the studies suggest that they stopped checking for or never checked for deletions, or any controlled observation of interactions with other organic materials. Scientists often pay attention until what they want occurs. The they typically ignore the sequence of the genes changing or unexpected epigenetic effects. If the effect they want occurs, they will put it on the market. It is an extremely dangerous practice but it looks like it has happened in the research.

## In Risk Calculation

Risk was calculated by combining the probability or likelihood of an event occurring (or not occurring) and the impact or consequences of that event occurring (or not occurring) hence we considered the likelihood of not achieving release and that the event will cause more harm, as well as the consequences if these events occurred. Hi here are the points

Who engineered the mosquitoes. CDC US based 2005, concluded at Atlanta, us based CDC foundation and the faculty of medicine Gadjah Mada University. Trial registration in 2014

Phage-mediated manipulation of Wolbachia: Sarah R Bordenstein first and Seth R Bordenstein

# The Genetically engineering:

Proud - oxitec disclaimer = materials not representative of living organisms. American ownership.

Accountability?

Who holds the patent for the method discovered by tNuut/indonesian researchers. In that hundreds of billion Tahija foundation, what research on safety, long term gene pool risk, horizontal gene transfer, mutations and presupposition - accurate safe and effective?

It has been successful in Brazil and Singapore

Failures

Dangers

Connections with foreign companies and Gates?

#### **Patents**

More than ten years

Oxitec/Trexon, American

Multiple species who transit diseases

Offspring die at the larva stage - claimed success but Camen islands - diverted resources away from better

The sorting process was poor so many females were released. Also survival of gm, other species can move into ne

We don't know if reducing the population will reduce transmission of disease. Stopped all open releases of the technology - self limiting - that we - second generation gm mosquito technology - another untried, untested technology, these ones to tackle malaria, different

Risks about releasing genetically modified organisms and misleading claims about benefits. To deal with this new proposed release. International issue.

This is not a release, it's a gene drive, where the eggs can be transported all around the world, so releases don't just affect one country but we have an international regime

The research is mainly driven by military interests and the first village to receive the eggs was given a military ceremony with flags. https://ugm.ac.id/en/news/12312-wolbachia-mosquito-released-in-yogyakarta/Then there's agriculture, and conservation but mainly gene drives are promoted through the idea of health and combatting diseases. They are catastrophic for the ecology and biodiversity, and S

We describe what is known about the mechanisms behind viral protection, and that recent studies suggest two possible mechanisms: activation of host immunity or competition with virus for cellular resources. We also discuss how association with Wolbachia may influence the evolution of virus defense on the insect host genome. https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fimmu.2020.626329/full

September 30th Richard organized a zoom meeting 'Mosquito Genetic Engineering as a Bioweapon'

with 3 representatives of the Ministry for Health to put our minds at rest re the

mosquito program, 3 from planning, 3 from CIA, and 3 from World Mosquito program, with Frances as key note speaker and our team. The outcome was that no one knew about it and it was less than 6 weeks to the release date. The WMP when asked scientific, tourism, health questions by our team merely answered with information from their promotional material to respond.

Frances Presentation Prepared: Shared on 29th September 2023

Part One: Richard:

The situation for Bali in one month's time. Please pay attention as this is a very short window we have to veto the plan on biosecurity grounds.

#### Point one:

We called this meeting 'Mosquito Genetic Engineering as a Bioweapon'

But these mosquitoes are not genetically engineered. The university must be really proud to have discovered a way to breed mosquitoes to carry this natural helpful bacteria Wolbachia, and continue to pass it down to future generations after release? I believe that is called a "gene drive" isn't it? As far as I know, this is the first time a gene drive has been permitted outside a laboratory. I think that is testament to what has been achieved, as you must have completed many risk assessments and met extremely high safety standards to be given that permit. Can you tell us a bit about what risk assessments were done, in relation to human health and the environment. What plans are in place to mitigate the risks, and who is accountable if something should go wrong and these mosquitoes with enhanced immune systems become an invasive species themselves or there is contamination caused, in the short, medium or longterm.

Frances, would you like to explain your understanding of Gene Drives in a bioweapons context.

Gene drives are categorised as "dual use research of concern' DURC, so they must be reviewed and assessed by the Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) before any outdoor release. Research that is of Dual Use of Concern means that the research is proposed and justified by a civilian or health benefit initiative but facilities are mainly funded by the military, or corporate interests and the results therefore can be withheld (not disclosed), on the grounds of biosafety or intellectual property rights. (Disclosure of sequences within COVID-19 vaccine and therapeutics patents) Patent Landscape Report by WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization 2023) In this case of Wolbachia-Infected eggs proposed for Bali, there is someone who owns the Intellectual Property rights of this exact Wolbachia strain, used in Yogyakarta. We need transparency as to who that is, how the bacteria was isolated, and confirmation that there were no other changes made before its patent. Indeed, in the World Mosquito Program's own report on how they plan to Scale-Up the production of these mosquitoes, the only legal issue they name, is the use of the Wolbachia IP (Intellectual Property) that WMP use. It is widely understood that one of the several methods of gene-editing, is to 'smuggle a genetic trait in on a bacteria'. If the active ingredients or genetic sequence is not in the public domain, there will be not even be a way for Bali's water quality board and Environmental Protection Agency to use it as a parameter to check its levels before and after the mosquito's release.

The Institutional Biosafety Committee or DARPA or any other national security body, (and one would have thought CDC Centre for Disease Control who have dedicated funding to the research), will require a meaningful risk assessment and independent safety testing.

# Exemption

The WMP asked for and received an exemption from doing a risk assessment and instead used advanced modelling, using Artificial Intelligence, belonging to Microsoft. Modelling was used to assess the 50 or so hazards that could be posed and found them all to be negligible (Negligible means no cause for concern, very low risk). They also used this Artificial Intelligence to decide where to position the mosquito eggs, for maximum effect - They used this in Yogyakarta for the release in the city and now, they are planned for north, south, east and west Denpasa, and sites in the North of Bali. A court would be able to assess if there was a conflict of interests in using a technology owned by the main proponent of the research, to authorise its certification as safe, its feasibility and its exact rollout. Even if there are no conflict of interests or financial interests, it does not inspire confidence in the population of Bali - or anywhere else - for one infant technology: Gene Drives to be governed by another infant technology: Artificial Intelligence, when our environment and its trillions of microbial interactions that provide our atmosphere, soil, food, water, and including our microbiome - blood, digestion, skin, immune systems, which are the results of 360 billion years of evolution, are at stake. Which body, and named responsible person, would be liable for the downstream affects of this research?

Bioweapons are potentially more deadly than nuclear weapons and were internationally recognized as a weapon of mass destruction, in the 1972 Biological Weapons Convention

Gene drives modify and generate microorganisms, aiming to promote particular traits, in this case Wolbachia. The reason open air release of gene drives has remained prohibited is that accidental release of a novel species or pathogen could have far reaching environmental, health, social, and economic consequences but there is also the risk of the intentional misuse. Gene drives are much more dangerous even than the genetically engineered mosquitoes released by Oxitec. People may know that Oxitec's genetically engineered mosquitoes were gene edited to have a fluorescent gene added so that they could be monitored. They were edited to include 'a limiting gene' so the new species would die off. They were edited so that female mosquitoes had deformed mouths so they couldn't bite and to ensure that females could not reach maturity and breed. Also the males were given an aggressive trait, so that they would kill wild mosquitoes. However inaccurate and dtysfunctioning this engineering was, at least they could monitor and the novel species would die off.

Very differently, gene drives introduce a vast quantity of a new species into nature (Aedes Egypti permanently infected with Wolbachia bacteria, in this case), a species for which there is no existing evolutionary niche. What is so dangerous is that the micro-organism, Wolbachia Bacteria, and its host, the Aedes Egypt Mosquito, have been given a genetic advantage: Every surviving mosquito offspring from either the distributed eggs or future breeding with wild mosquitoes, will express the new genetic sequence, including the Wolbachia Bacteria. The bacteria boosts the

immune system of the mosquito. While, unacceptably, mosquito bites weaken the human immune system (Frontiers published peer-reviewed research in 2022 stated "components in mosquito saliva weaken the antiviral immune response of the host, permitting easier entry and replication of viruses in the host." This was an article exploring how delivering vaccines

(https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fimmu.2022.1024559/full#:~:text=Mosqui to%20saliva%20components%20reduce%20the,host%20(94–96).) at the site of a bite would be most effective - but we will come back to that.

The Aarhus Convention is one legal instrument that could be used as to block this release. "The Aarhus Convention grants the public rights regarding access to information, public participation and access to justice, in governmental decision-making processes on matters concerning the local, national and transboundary environment. It focuses on interactions between the public and public authorities."

Thank you everyone, can we ask the experts to say more about the functions of Wolbachia Bacteria or to respond to my concerns.

## Richard,

The Wolbachia bacteria has been shown to have a mechanism that functions as an antiviral, competing with the pathogens like Dengue, and indirectly prevent mosquitoes from transmitting those diseases to us.

Was Wolbachia bacteria chosen for any other functions?

Wolbachia bacteria is also attributed a genetic trait called "cytoplasmic incompatibility", which means that only offspring that are infected with the bacteria will survive. Could you explain this in layman's terms and explain if that was just crucial for the creation of the gene drive or if the public could hope for a reduction in the mosquito population?

## Frances' Presentation Part 2

Frances, what made you raise the alarm that Wolbachia Bacteria might be suitable for use as a bioweapon?

"The NATO definition of a biological agent is: A microorganism (or a toxin derived from it) which causes disease in man, plants or animals or which causes the deterioration of material." They include Bacteria, Viruses, Rickettsiae, Chlamydia, Parasites, Fungi and Toxins."

In the scenario of a release, we have all of these. The host mosquitoes rely on human blood for reproduction. They will carry bacteria and viruses. The Wolbachia was found to be already present in the human body, in our parasites, specifically the common round worm and its thread worms, :The filariae are thread-like parasitic nematodes (roundworms) that are transmitted by arthropod vectors" (mosquitoes). Taylor's research "Wolbachia in the inflammatory pathogenesis of human filariasis" concluded

"Filarial nematodes cause some of the most debilitating diseases in tropical medicine. Recent studies, however, have implicated the parasites' endosymbiotic Wolbachia bacteria, rather than the nematode, as the cause of inflammatory-mediated filarial disease."

Furthermore, there is a drug Doxycycline which is "effective on Wolbachia, and subsequently on the worm's fertility but not on the worm itself. In 2001, it was shown that the adverse reactions observed after treatment may be caused by the release of Wolbachia from destroyed worms. These bacteria manipulate the fertility of their host". As all species host parasites that host Wolbachia, it would be impossible to test the countless interactions like digestion, infection, horizontal gene transfer, adaptations, mutations and transmissions, through bites, water courses, or ecological collapse which could lead to a disease-ridden population.

There would be no means of diagnosing which pathogen is responsible, in which case.

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NATO goes on citing "Mass production: a bioweapon needs to be produced at scale without the loss of pathogenicity Making microorganisms effective as self-propagating. Effective delivery: a biological agent typically needs to be deployed quickly and en masse to achieve its maximum impact before effective countermeasures can be deployed. Environmentally robust: a biological agent needs to be able to survive in the environment and spread. A gene drive meets all those criteria.

#### Population

No less serious is the common knowledge that people develop an intolerance. If they receive a large amounts of stings or bites. It triggers an immune system response to the toxins and an ongoing sensitivity.

#### Eggs

She also highlighted the risks of unintentional migration, the involvement of the military governing body Darpa.

What proves this is a completely unacceptable level of risk is the research that shows diseases are passed down to the eggs too.

The frequency and timing of egg release was important to the transmission of malaria infection into the egg but consider how mosquitoes produce on average 100 eggs three times in their 2 weeks' life expectancy. The eggs must be in water. Then consider how the mosquito spends a further two weeks in the water after hatching, feeding on organic matter and eating and being eaten by other species. Although some studies claim that wolbachia is not present in fish or birds or humans, the VCA Animal Hospital confirm that the same roundworms which host wolbachia are found in birds and the 'Common Marine Parasites' article for the Conservation Government

publication confirms that many parasites including the roundworms are found in most fish. Dissemination includes inhalation, dermal exposure and ingestion

# Bill Gates Funding and Agenda:

Does it sound incredible and just plain wrong when it is suggested that the The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation might want to deliver mass vaccination using mosquitoes? Does it sound extreme to consider that the Indonesian Universities might have been chosen to receive funding so that the amazing scientific breakthroughs would be a cause for national pride and trust, helping to manufacture consent from the population to accept a massive and continued release of biting and breeding mosquitoes?

The experts can say what they want.

Frances, Do you think these stories have any credibility and basis in fact? Who could benefit from conducting a biological attack and how?

#### Money

When I heard that University had been working on this research since 2004, I was briefly reassured. But then I discovered that in 2003, just the year before, The Gates Foundation had released a mission statement:

- 14 Grand Challenges in Global Health and identified Indonesia as a recipient for generous funding.
- 3. Develop needle-free delivery systems for vaccines.

Control insects that transmit agents of disease:

7. Develop a genetic strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect population.

Measure disease and health status accurately and economically in developing countries: (Health Certification)

- 13. Develop technologies that permit quantitative assessment of population health status: (The power to declare another pandemic and how we should respond.
- 14. Develop technologies that allow assessment of individuals for multiple conditions or

pathogens at point-of-care: Restrict where we are allowed to be and allowed to go. The people of Bali are already being fed a new narrative that tells us that mosquitoes feed between 6am and 8am and then in the evening between 4pm and 8pm. This could be the parameters for a new curfew.

Here in 2023, the World Health Organization have proposed world-wide rules for responding to a pandemic, and amendments to the International Health Regulations which would give the WHO themselves the power to both declare a pandemic and also override individual nations in deciding how to respond to the declared. emergency. It would be naive to overlook recent statements by the WHO in relation to mosquitoes. One statement said that "the migration of mosquitoes" due to climate change may require a vaccine program to deal with mosquito-borne diseases. There will be no unintentional migration of mosquitoes, as they only move a few hundred metres maximum in their lifespan. The WHO are preparing the public for a huge increase in mosquitoes, and a vaccine program.

A Maryland University recently studied how quickly malaria antibodies established in a human study which, they said, "we generated by using mosquitoes exposed to a malaria-causing parasite". They said they did not plan mass vaccination.

So is the main point is that we need to make a choice while we can still make a choice. When the WHO is ratified - comes into effect they can authorise and mandate the use of any technology they choose, and call it a health measure that all countries must adopt. There has been very little resistance to the WHO's Convention, maybe because pharmaceuticals are the strongest economy and industry right now.

In the heading you used the word, nation, and we have this one opportunity to challenge the WHO by law.

Come on Bali! You have been attacked before and what you decided to protect then was your paradise island, your royalty, your extraordinary wood carving, and your own traditional medicine, empowered by reverence and offerings to the gods. You know the importance of paying your respects, and every day offerings of Wai Chru are a priority for everyone. Are you going to disrespect everything that you live for, and everything that your public servants in government should be protecting, in reaction only to hurt pride that your universities and greatest minds have been exploited by the offer of funding. The coercion has led to creating a terrifying biological weapon, a plague of mosquitoes. As Dr Campbell and many others warn; in a few months the WHO will be deciding where this technology is deployed. Before the proposed amendments, the WHO need consent, because of people's bodily integrity and from government states to buy and implement their health strategies. After the Amendments, WHO will implement a "rules-based order, and all countries will be legally bound to comply.

The WHO's own stance on the open air release of Gene Drives is that it should take place in STEPS. The steps they refer to are releasing them on islands before continents, to see what happens. There is no way to clean up a contamination of living microorganisms, unlike toxic chemical spills. The only way containment has been attempted is by burning an area to the ground and further. We do not have proof yet but there was a major release of mosquitoes started this year in Maui, with 164 drone drops a week, and planned for 20 years. Four months after it started Maui was raised to the ground. In a more clear cut report, Sri Lanka welcomed mosquitoes to tackle disease in 2021 and in 2023 the news is "Multiplying dengue mosquito larvae raises risks for Colombo" Larvae live and feed in water.

We do not have proof yet that this particular technology could destroy the environment of every one of the 17,000 Indonesian Islands. All we know is that it will be a torment the like of which has never been experienced before. 200 million mosquito eggs a year, each pair laying 300 eggs in their two weeks of life. Each female requiring a 'blood meal' to produce those eggs.

#### The solution

While we have a choice, we need to veto this release on security grounds and then use every precedence in law to stop other attacks. Universities need to use every enquiring scientific mind to raise awareness of how unpredictable and unsafe altered

species are, how inaccurate these new technologies are, and what an unacceptable risk it would be to pollute the gene pool irreversibly and with it the environment we depend on. Every independent man and woman can contribute something. The government has not invited "comments from the public" let alone a planning process with a time period for "objections" to be made. The most powerful things we can do are serve "notice" on the university, on the WHO, The WMP, The Gate Foundation and on local government stating the risks that you understand them to be accountable for, by registered post and send a copy of your notice to the lawyer that we hope will take this case on. The solution I anticipate is that international law combined with the common sense and majority pressure, will lead to the disassembling of the World Health Organization and its sponsors and compensation demanded from their huge profits.

To move from zero to hero, this Yogyakarta has to make a definitive U-turn and stop its 'preparations in Denpasar' with immediate effect.

It is unclear what those preparations are.

It remains unclear how "Wolbachia does what it does".

It is unclear why no risk assessment has been required yet.

There is a plan to have a factory in Brazil for the mosquito eggs. These will carry all the infectious diseases that Brazil is facing too.

With all that uncertainty, any further mosquito or mosquito egg release should be deemed to bring unacceptable and unjustifiable levels of risk. Is anyone else asking where does the blood come from? I mean, really? Blood banks? Volunteers? An industry byproduct?

Stop and desist. Stop and correct. We need this research program to stop the release, break ties with the World Mosquito Program, to refuse further funding, be supported by the Indonesian government and the trusted men and women here to build a book of evidence, a Protected Disclosure, and claim compensation. There are other people here who know more about the disposal of Wolbachia, mosquito biomass and other biohazards in the laboratory. There are others here who have already confronted these issues in the European Parliament, in Law Courts and through independent research. They might explaining the progression of the World Health Organization and Health and social representatives. I look forward to hearing the questions you bring to our esteemed panel of experts and working with you all in a united way to turn this around and create better conditions, not worse.

I have saved the best for last. Possibly the most relevant research I did on mosquitoes led me to a 2013 study in Sweden that proved that mosquito eggs carry the pathogens and drive new diseases. Separate, peer-reviewed studies looked at how Malaria is transmitted to eggs, how Dengue, how Ockelbo, how Zika and Yellow Fever are all present in Mosquito eggs. Just imagine all those diseased eggs being distributed around populated areas. The pathogens won't harm the mosquito, as the immune systems of the entire Aedes Aegypti species have been fortified by Wolbachia bacteria. There will be successful breeding, there will be no curb on biting. We won't ever know whether we are suffering from Dengue; a developed intolerance to mosquitoes; allergic reactions from multiple bites; anaphylactic shock; fever, rash, infection and if when we take an anti-biotic we get more seriously ill because Wolbachia has been released into our systems. Doctors won't be able to diagnose the trouble for our weakened immune systems, and no one will be

accountable. Right from day one, the very pathogens we seek to reduce will pass into the water, into the soil, into the parasites of other species, including us. Even studies on Wolbachia, the intended infection, showed how it entered water courses and caused health issues in humans, including Elephantiasis and river blindness. The risks were proved to be so great, that a mass release of mosquitoes was blocked there this year, so it can be done. If the scientists claim that the mosquitoes were trialed remember that that was adults, no eggs. In other countries the safety protocol is that mosquitoes must be more than 500 metres from a water course. While eggs and larva live in water. Also the trial in Yogyakarta found The report states there were less cases of Dengue after the release and, secondly, less severe cases of Dengue that needed hospitalisation. This is misleading as it suggests that the severe Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever is a severe case of Dengue but it is a distinct - and so-far very rare - strain of Dengue. The trial did not find that there were less mosquitoes. The trial did not ask what other diseases were present.

The final word should come from the bioweapons publication: "Guidance Notes to the Field Commander on the Consequences of Individual Agents For Continued Operational Effectiveness. "A biological agent typically needs to be deployed quickly and en masse to achieve its maximum impact before effective countermeasures can be deployed."

This meeting is our counter measure as somebody for some reason wants those mosquito eggs deployed quickly with no notice to the receiving communities and no governance.

Some articles have been saying that it is more financially economical to produce mosquitoes that produce a vaccine. That is not the choice we face. We don't believe either is a genuine health strategy. We have the choice to recognise we the people are under attack and stand up for ourselves, using every human ability and all the energy we have.

NATO's summary maybe explains what those articles really meant when they wrote 'mosquito releases are an economical option': "The purely financial advantage of employing biological weapons was clearly illustrated by a 1969 expert United Nations panel which estimated the cost of operations against civilian populations at \$1/Km2 for biological weapons, versus \$600/Km2 for chemical, \$800/Km(2)2 for nuclear, and \$2,000/Km2 for conventional armaments" FAS, 2021 (Full Analysis Set, Statistics).

Thank you very much Richard for inviting me to speak and to everyone for listening.

The meeting structure for Gladiator Bangsa - the leadership group - was also changed to accommodate the presence of scientists from the Government of Indonesia, including the research team from University of Gajahmada.

Further meetings involved

• Community Socialization and Consent Letter Discussion Ex-pats remained in the background, Indonesians led the way.

After that initial Gladiator Bangsa meeting the health minister asked for more details.

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# Document: Mosquito points with full references

The people of Bali have been told to expect hundreds of millions of mosquitoes to be released as a natural solution to the spread of Dengue Fever.

The Mayor posted on Instagram two weeks ago, that in November, the release would happen but it has already begun - with door to door presentation of mosquito eggs in cups, with instructions to look after them and report back on their health - the mosquitoes' health.

## Gene Drive Technology

The mosquitoes are not natural. They are a new gene drive technology which forces one bacteria (Wolbachia) through a whole species (Aedes Aegypti) where it was not present before. Gene Drives are classified as dangerous by military (bioweapons) and conservation groups (Irreversible contamination of the gene pool). Open air release of gene drives is prohibited and moratorium even on further research has been requested. This research nor the factories for mass production of the mosquitoes have declared that they are a gene drive.

#### Safety Analysis

Safety testing and risk analysis is impossible for micro organisms and organisms because they spread, unlike chemical contaminations. The spread is through

- 1. Distribution: Intentional distribution of 200 million eggs on Bali per year
- 2. Flying: Using a flying vector (mosquitoes)
- 3. Breeding: The mosquitoes are produced to successfully breed. They lay 100 eggs, three times in their two weeks of adult life.
- 4. Genetic advantage. The Wolbachia bacteria boosts their immune system (While receiving multiple mosquito bites weakens the human immune system)
- 5. Water: Mosquito eggs and larvae live in water for two weeks and protocols in other countries state that mosquitoes should not be released within 500 metres of a water course.
- 6. Spread through horizontal gene transfer, where another species, the water and soil all start to assimilate the mosquito biomass dead or alive in to their own genetic make up.

The impossibility of risk analysis along with well documented disasters are how California were able to block the mass release of mosquitoes there this year,

The World Mosquito Program has not carried out a risk assessment for Bali, for this release. They are using Artificial Intelligence modelling to do calculate bio hazard risks. They are using AI modelling to decide where to place the mosquitoes. The independent risk assessors are an arm of the World Health Organization whose health strategy this is.

Each component, bacteria, toxin, mosquito, quick to transport and delivery covertly, fit the criteria to be used as a biological weapon, identified in international law as weapons of mass destruction. Since 1972 treaties have been in place to agree the non proliferation of biological weapons. In the present day context, the World Mosquito Program, sponsored by Bill Gates is launching 1) a disease vector. 2) A

Gene Drive: Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC), justified by health but funded and protected by military and corporate interests. They don't need to disclose their findings on grounds of biosafety concerns or trade value. 3) A control mechanism by which other health measures can be delivered, including cures, lockdowns and needle-less vaccines. Which are all within the health strategy of the World Health Organization.

Also in the next months, world-wide governments will be asked to enter into a legally binding agreement with the WHO, giving the WHO full responsibility for pandemic response. They will decide when to call a pandemic, what research to do to prepare for it, and what vaccines and other measures individual governments must buy, implement and mandate for its people.

We should not be naive to the fact that this is also a provides a large market for the pharmaceutical products which the WHO's sponsors produce. With experimental and emergency-use permits being granted by the same bodies, Indonesia has to make a choice while it still can.

An injunction must be put in place with immediate effect, until liability is established for the 50 individual biohazards (the WPM themselves identified) and for the other unforeseeable damages to human and environmental health. Financial ability to insure and pay for loss of life, loss of earnings, loss of habitats, loss of tourism, loss of water quality and loss of quality of lif, with so many biting, breeding mosquitoes set to be released.

There has been no public consultation or consent. There has been commitment to reduce the mosquito population and no explanation why the continued release is going to be done, when a gene drive takes only 2 generations to establish in a whole population - about one month.

Finally and fatally, the eggs of mosquitoes carry the Dengue, Malaria, Zika and the Chique... diseases that the female mosquito carried, and her mother and her mother. It is also, therefore a drive of the diseases that the World Mosquito Program claims to reduce with this technology.

The mass release of mosquitoes will introduce new diseases and drive new variants, as the eggs will be produced in other countries, with other strains. Perhaps why the Dengue Hemoragic Fever is mentioned. It is not a severe case of Dengue. It is a sofar very rare and distinct strain.

Indonesia as a whole demands that the mosquito release is stopped until further notice.

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3rd October another document: <u>Possible Legal Defence Strategy</u> Legal Strategy and Consent Issues

Injunction: Postpone Immediately and Indefinitely

Case to Stop The Release permanently

Claim costs for court, harm done, wasted time and compensation, for real solutions to reducing pests and diseases.

## Injunction

I would say we don't need a future legal action, we need an immediate legal action. I think they would take the form of injunctions.

The beauty of an injunction is that the hearing can take place without the defence being present - Being that the World Health Organization, or any of the invested parties. A number of injunctions could be put in place, on grounds that Gene Drives are proven to be irreversible. And actually all engineered novel species carry a risk of persistence in nature and permanent contamination of the gene pool.

Injunction to postpone the release naming the implementers and who they are representing. Each must have a named man or woman.

#### Planning Office

For example, the man Tak Nice sometimes acting as Planning Officer for Bali Government.

The claim is the planning office has not done Due Diligence or Proper Process. Due Diligence is the impossibility of Risk Assessment of the release of living microorganisms, which are intended to spread. Proper process is public consultation, notification of the planning application and period of usually 6 weeks while objections are invited on the application, which is available to see in the planning office by any one and contains the maps and the risk assessments and duration and the organization accepting liability.

#### Military - evidence finding.

- 1. In Yogyakarta, the military came to 'celebrate' the distribution of the eggs. Have the Balinese military personnel been approached yet to ask if they will be present at the Bali release? Is it for the ceremony or is it to protect the egg releases, as it is known that they may not be wanted.
- 2. Send them the papers of CIA and ask them to communicate with DARPA about the bio risks of gene drives. Have they made any special exemptions from the prohibiting of their open air release, and why.

Have the priests and monks been consulted in relation to whether they understand the mass mosquito releases to be in alignment with what the gods intend or would support for Bali.

#### Health Office

The man, Tak Nice, sometimes acting as health advisor to the minister for the Bali Government

The injunction could be failure to implement the Cautionary Principle or the Do No Harm Principle. Also the Constitutional Right to bodily integrity and the need for Informed Consent to be Obtained from every man, woman and child over 12,

## The Implementers

For the same reasons as above.

The factory producing these Bali-destined mosquitoes.

To prevent them leaving the laboratory, until biosafety and biohazard liability has been established for their products. Name the managers and the funders.

## The World Mosquito Program

The release of any more promotional material by World Mosquito Program while various violations stated above are investigated.

The WHO - injunction on any decision or promotion of the WHO Treaty Injunction on any Gene Drive Releases - Mosquitoes or Ticks or Microorganisms

Bali Control of Disease and Drug Safety Authority Bali's Environmental Protection Agency

No release on Bali for any gene drive, as per the protocols prohibiting gene drives due to their irreversibility.

(We need to name one designated leader in the centre - maybe the one who made the ludicrous declaration about migrating mosquitoes due to climate change and the need for a vaccine to help!). And name one in the independent arm of the WHO who conducted the independent safety testing/risk analysis.

It would be worth joining our legal action to some or several of the other cases against WHO, and Fauci (who funds all medical research in all funding and therefore screens all research proposals and doesn't support ones that might expose unacceptable risks or bad practice.

The Injunction should be on the adoption of their Amendments and include all Dr Campbell and multitude of other commentators on the WHO's Pandemic Treaty - which puts them above individual governments in making health desicisions, from lock downs to mosquito releases to vaccines and mandates. And would be legally binding. The injunction would ask that votes/agreements/decisions on that would be postponed until all investigations into their recommendations for the last pandemic, and conflicts of interest.

The Injunction should also be on gene drives, Gene editing, and any releases of mosquitoes, or ticks or needle-less vaccines (all spelt out in the Global Challenges of

Bill Gates in 2003, the year before picking Indonesia to receive funding in 2004.

Give evidence on the International Bioweapons Component for other Cases already happening.

While distilling the information into a manageable Injunction request format, for all these players in the release- maybe due diligence and due process could be a common theme, keep the information to hand (references below) and I have the bioweapons paper as well. We need to build a solid case with others to get a moratorium on gene drive, gain of function and all so-called green technologies on the basis that the risks far outweigh any imagined benefits.

In the presentation I prepared, I showed how the following elements have all been weaponised. I recorded a video of the presentation and I have the transcript if either wanted.

Bioweapons: The EGGS when laid, already carry all the pathogens of the parents. As well as the Wolbachia having never been in the Aedes Aegypti before - a novel super charged species. The Dengue already used. The malaria - a vaccine already prepared. The mosquito organism, the patented Wolbachia, quick deployment, civilian indiscriminate casualties. There is only one way to stop a bio contamination and that is scorch an area. Connecting DARPA (military control of biosafety) to the Army that burnt Maui after the mosquito release there, it could be used as an example.

A court would be able to decide if there was a conflict of interests in the use of the Main proponent funding the research, owning the AI that certified the technology as safe, and mapped its exact rollout, using models of their own design.

A body of evidence that shows that the World Health Organization and Bill Gates foundation have always known - maybe the man who spoke at the EU Parliament would give evidence - John Martin.

So there is a 'mass murder with intent', rather than an 'unintentional migration'.

## For we the people

In parallel, the Aarhus Convention could be invoked as an instrument to give the people of Bali a voice. Even the "Just Transition" can be used to show the damage done to the people.

Gene Watch UK were central to the success in stopping the release in California this year.

#### References

Wolbachia in the inflammatory pathogenesis of human filariasis https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/12860672/....plus all the references shared in previous document.

5th October Documents on Individual Points

## Nano Technology and Genetic Modification

There is a variety of risks of misuse of nanotechnology. I am not sure if I want to find out whether the mosquitoes have some sort of nano technology in them or not. It is common practice to include some sort of nano transmitter into agriculture sprays, for example because this allows companies to monitor the fertility of the soil. Of course there is also the obvious possibility that nano technology that can COLLECT data may be able to transmit information and even instructions TO the nano implant and its host. Some people here will know that people who received the Covid 19 gene therapies now have a bluetooth signal, that comes up as Unknown device, even on an ordinary phone. IP In this instance, the mosquitoes - with the natural tendencies of the wolbachia, could be designed to target women or people with O type blood, which does not contain antigens. There is already anecdotal evidence that mosquitoes affect women more than men.

On the other hand, if the mosquitoes do not carry any nano technology, then I would worry how the research project intends to measure population increase or decrease and presence in the environment.

## **Artificial Intelligence**

The World Mosquito Programme asked for and received an exemption from doing a risk assessment and instead used advanced modelling, using Artificial Intelligence, belonging to Microsoft. Modelling was used to assess the 50 or so hazards that could be posed and found them all to be negligible (Negligible means no cause for concern, very low risk).

They also used this Artificial Intelligence to decide where to position the mosquito eggs, for maximum effect - They used this in Yogyakarta for the release in the city and now, they are planned for north, south, east and west Denpasar, and sites in the North of Bali. A court would be able to assess if there was a conflict of interests in using a technology owned by the main proponent of the research, to authorise its certification as safe, its feasibility and its exact rollout. Even if there are no conflict of interests or financial interests, it does not inspire confidence in the population of Bali - or anywhere else - for one infant technology: Gene Drives to be governed by another infant technology: Artificial Intelligence, when our environment and its trillions of microbial interactions that provide our atmosphere, soil, food, water, and including our microbiome - blood, digestion, skin, immune systems, which are the results of 360 billion years of evolution, are at stake. Which official authority and named responsible people, would be liable for the downstream affects of this research?

There is the talk of Denpasar as a smart city already ad Bali as a smart island. As one man said that will invite a huge amount of surveillance technology onto the island. Supported by The Gate world health monitoring in the Global Challenges that he addressed, starting in 2003. One question that needs to be asked is if a city is to become SMART what is the plan for the original homes in the less equipped Denpasar we have now?

#### Intellectual Property

Intellectual property rights refer to the disclosure and publishing of genetic sequences created and studies related to them. They are inevitably linked to the

possibility of independent testing, if they can remain private property. This was the problem when they were categorised as a Dual Use Research Concern

(As I mentioned) In the World Mosquito Program's wrote a report on how they would Scale-Up the production of the wolbachia mosquitoes, they name the use of the Wolbachia IP (which I thought was Intellectual Property rather than Internet Protocol) that WMP use as a legal issue. We need transparency as to who that is, how the bacteria was isolated, and confirmation that there were no other changes made before its patent. Indeed, in the World Mosquito Program's own report on how they plan to Scale-Up the production of these mosquitoes, the ONLY legal issue they name, is the use of the Wolbachia IP (Intellectual Property) that they use.

If I can just clarify that the university themselves have not been required to provide safety testing for an open air release and no one else is allowed the information to try one either.

Putting this in the context of the World Health Organization changes in their Pandemic Treaty. No one will know and yet still measures like this will be given the go ahead without consent.

# Wolbachia

The Wolbachia bacteria has been shown to have a mechanism that functions as an antiviral, competing with the pathogens like Dengue, and indirectly prevent mosquitoes from transmitting those diseases to us.

I want to ask afterward whether Walbachia bacteria was chosen just for this reason or for any other functions?

Wolbachia bacteria is also attributed a genetic trait called "cytoplasmic incompatibility", which means that only offspring that are infected with the bacteria will survive. Could you explain this in layman's terms and explain if that was just crucial for the creation of the gene drive - in that only infected mosquito eggs will hatch - or if the public can hope for a reduction in the mosquito population?

What made me raise the alarm that Wolbachia Bacteria might be suitable for use as a bioweapon?

"The NATO definition of a biological agent is: A microorganism (or a toxin derived from it) which causes disease in man, plants or animals or which causes the deterioration of material." They include Bacteria, Viruses, Rickettsiae, Chlamydia, Parasites, Fungi and Toxins."

In the scenario of a release, we have all of these. The host mosquitoes rely on human blood for reproduction. They will carry bacteria and viruses. The Wolbachia was found to be already present in the human body, in our parasites, specifically the common round worm and its thread worms, :The filariae are thread-like parasitic nematodes (roundworms) that are transmitted by arthropod vectors" (mosquitoes). Taylor's research "Wolbachia in the inflammatory pathogenesis of human filariasis" concluded

"Filarial nematodes cause some of the most debilitating diseases in tropical medicine. Recent studies, however, have implicated the parasites' endosymbiotic

Wolbachia bacteria, rather than the nematode, as the cause of inflammatory-mediated filarial disease."

Furthermore, there is a drug Doxycycline which is "effective on Wolbachia, and subsequently on the worm's fertility in the human body but not on the worm itself. In 2001, it was shown that the adverse reactions observed after treatment may be caused by the release of Wolbachia from destroyed worms.

Furthermore, Wobachia bacteria manipulate the fertility of their host". All species host the parasites that host Wolbachia bacteria. It would be impossible to test the countless interactions like digestion, infection, horizontal gene transfer, adaptations, mutations and transmissions, through bites, water courses, or ecological collapse which could lead to a disease-ridden population.

There would be no means of diagnosing which pathogen is responsible, in which case and it would be as likely to be caused by the Wolbachia bacteria as any of the other pathogens.

#### Population Control

What has been produced in Yogyakarta laboratory is a huge scale, epigenetic, non native and could be argued NOVEL species which is set to be a highly invasive species. The WPM say no need to reduce the population, the plan is to erase as many viable male and female eggs, to drive the dengue-resistant Wolbachia infection through the whole Aedes Aegypti mosquito population.

What else do we know. 200 million more eggs per year hatching, a large percentage of them female (also achieved by the Wolbachia infection) So a large proportion of them going on to bite and breed themselves. It will be a plague and already the report from Sri Lanka.

Colombo, Sri Lanka welcomed mosquitoes to tackle disease in 2021 and in 2023 the news is "Multiplying dengue mosquito larvae raises risks for Colombo"

No less serious is the common knowledge that people develop an intolerance. If they receive a large amounts of stings or bites. It triggers an immune system response to the toxins and an ongoing sensitivity. We already have a lot of auto immune issues. This is a particular risk maybe to people from Bali who have enjoyed a high level of tolerance to mosquito stings so far. And also to women, and O type.

#### **Bio-Security**

(If I haven't said it already under funding) The bioweapons publication: "Guidance Notes to the Field Commander on the Consequences of Individual Agents For Continued Operational Effectiveness. The purely financial advantage of employing biological weapons was clearly illustrated by a 1969 expert United Nations panel which estimated the cost of operations against civilian populations at \$1/Km2 for biological weapons, versus \$600/Km2 for chemical, \$800/Km(2)2 for nuclear, and \$2,000/Km2 for conventional armaments" FAS, 2021

Bioweapons are potentially more deadly than nuclear weapons and were internationally recognized as a weapon of mass destruction, in the 1972 Biological

Weapons Convention. NATO cites mass production in its criteria for use as a weapon. "Mass production: a bioweapon needs to be produced at scale without the loss of pathogenicity, Making microorganisms effective as self-propagating. Effective delivery: a biological agent typically needs to be deployed quickly and en masse to achieve its maximum impact before effective countermeasures can be deployed. Environmentally robust: a biological agent needs to be able to survive in the environment and spread. A gene drive meets all those criteria.

"A biological agent typically needs to be deployed quickly and en masse to achieve its maximum impact before effective countermeasures can be deployed." This meeting is our counter measure as somebody for some reason wants those mosquito eggs deployed quickly with no notice to the receiving communities and no governance.

#### The solution

While we have a choice, we need to veto this release on security grounds before the World Health Organization supercedes our power to stop it, with its 'Pandemic Treaty'.

## Legal Defence

Legal Strategy and Consent Issues

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Gene Watch: Moratorium on Gene Drive Research let alone release in open air: 350,000 signed petition

#### Risk Assessment

The way California was able to block the mass mosquito release was by arguing that the risk assessments and safety testing were beyond our capabilities. Tests were composed for chemical testing not living organisms, plus the gene editing contingent hide behind a reputation that gene editing is safe, predictable and effective. When it

is not. Also, as could have happened in this case, proponents of genetic engineering and new technologies like this argue that these are all natural components and so the species 'Could have happened in nature' They couldn't as Dr Latham in London clarifies well,

The Institutional Biosafety Committee or DARPA or any other national security body, (and one would have thought CDC Centre for Disease Control who have dedicated funding to the research), will require a meaningful risk assessment and independent safety testing.

There is no way to clean up a contamination of living microorganisms

We do not have proof yet that this particular technology could destroy the environment of every one of the 17,000 Indonesian Islands. There is plenty of evidence of bio leaks and bio hazards that could have even destroyed all plant life, even though well meant, All we know is that it will be a torment the like of which has never been experienced before. 200 million mosquito eggs a year, each pair laying 300 eggs in their two weeks of life. Each female requiring a 'blood meal' to produce those eggs.

# Biohazards.

The eggs, the larvae, the mosquitoes themselves, alive or as biomass. The water, the mechanisms of bacteria in a new context. Maybe the scientists can list the 50 or so they found and discuss their findings. None of these were mentioned in the WHO's Al-contrived Risk Assessment for WMP.

#### Vector or Vaccine

Some articles have been saying that it is more financially economical to produce mosquitoes that produce a vaccine. That is not the choice we face. We don't believe either is a genuine health strategy. We have the choice to recognise we the people are under attack and stand up for ourselves, using every human ability and all the energy we have.

Misrepresentation of bioweapon deployment:

- "We need to vaccinate".
- "They are migrating"
- "Research into delivering vaccines to the vulnerable mosquito bite site"

## **Funding**

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation premeditated violence against humanity using mosquitoes. After Microsoft was sued for monopoly practices, money laundered through vaccines and deployed as philanthropy. Indonesian Universities might have been chosen to receive funding so that the amazing scientific breakthroughs would be a cause for national pride and trust, helping to manufacture consent from the population to accept a massive and continued release of biting and breeding mosquitoes?

Who benefits from conducting a biological attack and how?

Money siphoned through separate Indonesian Universities for Mosquitoes, Smart Cities etc keeping each study apparently distinct.

When I heard that University had been working on this research since 2004, I was

briefly reassured. But then I discovered that in 2003, just the year before, The Gates Foundation had released a mission statement:

- 14 Grand Challenges in Global Health and identified Indonesia as a recipient for generous funding.
- 3. Develop needle-free delivery systems for vaccines.

Control insects that transmit agents of disease:

7. Develop a genetic strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect population.

Measure disease and health status accurately and economically in developing countries: (Health Certification)

- 13. Develop technologies that permit quantitative assessment of population health status: (The power to declare another pandemic and how we should respond.
- 14. Develop technologies that allow assessment of individuals for multiple conditions

pathogens at point-of-care: Restrict where we are allowed to be and allowed to go. The people of Bali are already being fed a new narrative that tells us that mosquitoes feed between 6am and 8am and then in the evening between 4pm and 8pm. This could be the parameters for a new curfew.

Here in 2023, the World Health Organization have proposed a world-wide business plan for responding to a pandemic, and amendments to the International Health Regulations which would give the WHO themselves the power to both declare a pandemic and also override individual nations in deciding how to respond to the declared. emergency. It would be naive to overlook recent statements by the WHO in relation to mosquitoes. One statement said that "the migration of mosquitoes" due to climate change may require a vaccine program to deal with mosquito-borne diseases. There will be no unintentional migration of mosquitoes, as they only move a few hundred metres maximum in their lifespan. The WHO are preparing the public for a huge increase in mosquitoes, and a vaccine program.

Other Bioweapon research currently funded:

A Maryland University recently studied how quickly malaria antibodies established in a human study which, they said, "we generated by using mosquitoes exposed to a malaria-causing parasite". They said they did not plan mass vaccination (and yet African nations have since been injected with these live GMO-Malaria-Causing-Parasites en masse - PDF Presentation to Lawyers and Ministers in Africa to help stop the roll-out.

When the WHO is ratified - comes into effect they can authorise and mandate the use of any technology they choose, and call it a health measure that all countries must adopt. There has been very little resistance to the WHO's Convention, maybe because pharmaceuticals are the strongest economy and industry right now. And large proportion of funding is controlling the narrative promoting their use.

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NATO's summary maybe explains what those articles really meant when they wrote 'mosquito releases are an economical option': "The purely financial advantage of employing biological weapons was clearly illustrated by a 1969 expert United Nations panel which estimated the cost of operations against civilian populations at \$1/Km2 for biological weapons, versus \$600/Km2 for chemical, \$800/Km(2)2 for nuclear, and \$2,000/Km2 for conventional armaments" FAS, 2021 (Full Analysis Set, Statistics).

The Aarhus Convention is one legal instrument that could be used as to block this release. "The Aarhus Convention grants the public rights regarding access to information, public participation and access to justice, in governmental decision-making processes on matters concerning the local, national and transboundary environment. It focuses on interactions between the public and public authorities."

While we have a choice, we need to veto this plan, or put it on permanent hold pending an independent investigation, and then use every precedence in law to stop other attacks. Universities need to use every enquiring scientific mind to research the risks of gene editing, genetic engineering and call out the promoters who would say that it is accurate, safe and effective. There is always damage to the organism or microorganism and unexpected mutations arise on target and off target as the genome tries to repair itself. At least one module in the biosciences should be dedicated to the ethics and difficulty in assessing modified organisms. At the moment, laboratories only look for successes and do not revisit what happened to the many thousands of attempts that did not work, and sometimes, do not pay attention to their disposal either. We can raise awareness of how unpredictable and unsafe altered and novel species are; how inaccurate these new technologies are, and what an unacceptable risk it would be to pollute the gene pool irreversibly and with it the environment we depend on.

Every independent man and woman can contribute something. The government has not invited "comments from the public" let alone a planning process with a time period for "objections" to be made. The most powerful things we can do are serve "notice" on the university, on the WHO, The WMP, The Gate Foundation and on local government stating the risks that you understand them to be accountable for, by registered post and send a copy of your notice to the lawyer that we hope will take this case on. The solution I anticipate is that international law combined with the common sense and majority pressure, will lead to the disassembling of the World Health Organization and its sponsors and compensation demanded from their huge profits, for wasted time and high risks, if not proven actual crime against humanity.

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#### Eggs to bypass regulation

Possibly the most relevant research I did on mosquitoes led me to a 2013 study in Sweden that proved that mosquito eggs carry the pathogens and drive new diseases. Separate, peer-reviewed studies looked at how Malaria is transmitted to eggs, how Dengue, how Ockelbo, how Zika and Yellow Fever are all present in Mosquito eggs.

Just imagine so many already-diseased eggs being distributed around populated areas. The pathogens won't harm the mosquito, as the immune systems of the entire

Aedes Aegypti species have been fortified by Wolbachia bacteria. There will be successful breeding, there will be no curb on biting. We won't ever know whether we are suffering from Dengue; a developed intolerance to mosquitoes; allergic reactions from multiple bites; anaphylactic shock; fever, rash, infection and if when we take an anti-biotic we get more seriously ill because Wolbachia has been released into our systems. Doctors won't be able to diagnose the trouble for our weakened immune systems, and no one will be accountable. Right from day one, the very pathogens we seek to reduce will pass into the water, into the soil, into the parasites of other species, including us.

Even studies on Wolbachia, the intended infection, showed how it entered water courses and caused health issues in humans, including Elephantiasis and river blindness. The risks were proved to be so great, that a mass release of mosquitoes was blocked there this year, so it can be done. If the scientists claim that the mosquitoes were trialled remember that that was adults, no eggs. In other countries the safety protocol is that mosquitoes must be more than 500 metres from a water course. While eggs and larva live in water. Also the trial in Yogyakarta found The report states there were less cases of Dengue after the release and, secondly, less severe cases of Dengue that needed hospitalisation. This is misleading as it suggests that the severe Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever is a severe case of Dengue but it is a distinct - and so-far very rare - strain of Dengue. The trial did not find that there were less mosquitoes. The trial did not ask what other diseases were present.

The World Health Organization published some fear-mongering nonsense about the migration of mosquitoes due to climate change and the need for a new world vaccine to tackle the diseases they're going to spread. At least this would be unintentional migration. But that is impossible as Aedes Aegypti only travel a maximum of 300 metres in their lifespan. And other mosquitoes travel a maximum of 3km.

The reason DARPA are attentively involved - they are the military governing body for genetic experiments and innovations, is that there is a high risk of INTENTIONAL migration of mosquitoes. What we have created in Indonesia, by producing mosquito eggs is a much increased shelf life for selling and exporting mosquitoes. An adult mosquito lives two weeks. The eggs can be stored for 8 months, dry, and then just add water to hatch. The eggs must be in water. Then the larvae lives in water for another two weeks, after hatching, feeding on organic matter and eating and being eaten by other species.

What proves this is a completely unacceptable level of risk is the research that shows diseases are passed down to the eggs too.

Malaria: The frequency and timing of egg release was important to the transmission of malaria infection into the egg but consider how mosquitoes produce on average 100 eggs three times in their 2 weeks' life expectancy.

Dengue

Although some studies claim that wolbachia is not present in fish or birds or humans, the VCA Animal Hospital confirm that the same roundworms which host wolbachia are found in birds and the 'Common Marine Parasites' article for the Conservation Government publication confirms that many parasites including the roundworms are found in most fish. Dissemination includes inhalation, dermal exposure and

## ingestion

Yogyakarta has to make a definitive U-turn and stop its 'preparations in Depansa' with immediate effect.

It is unclear what those preparations are.

It remains unclear how "Wolbachia does what it does".

It is unclear why no risk assessment has been required yet.

There is a plan to have a factory in Brazil for the mosquito eggs. These will carry all the infectious diseases that Brazil is facing too.

With all that uncertainty, any further mosquito egg production or release should be deemed to bring unacceptable and unjustifiable levels of risk.

Is anyone else asking where does the blood come from? I mean, really? Blood banks? Volunteers? An industry byproduct?

## Gene Drives and genetic engineering

Gene Drives as Dual Use Research of Concern (military and medical can no longer be distinguished)

And another few sections from my presentation above delivered on 30th September 2023 for Gladiator Bangsa and Indonesia's government officials, live-streamed.

## Points to Raise Awareness on Mosquito Fliers

17 million breeding, biting mosquitoes Coming to Denpasar Homes Near You. Just say no!

Natural? Lie Technology? Truth

Just a few in a cup? No 200 million in 6 months? Yes

Mosquitoes reduce mosquito-borne diseases? False Even mosquito eggs carry disease? True

If mosquitoes come Dengue is going to be the very last of our worries.

They will be free and we will be trapped
We'll be eaten alive
No one will visit Bali.
Ring this number and tell your local representative what you think
Of the World Mosquito Program, producing eggs in Australia Where there's all new diseases...then sending them here.

We did not consent. We do not consent.

#### 5-10.10.23

# Reports from other countries and rebuttal of Substantial Equivalence of GMO and Naturally-occurring

We spent from the 5th to the 10th October researching the effects of mosquito release as a health strategy in other countries such as Florida, Texas, California, Brazil and Maui We discovered that there were more dangerous tropical diseases such as Malaria in Florida and Texas, west Nile virus in Maryland U.S.A, Micro Encephalitis in Brazil and Dengue cases had doubled in Sri Lanka with a larvae crisis after their release. Bali had a 6-month release, Maui had a 20-year release program. This showed the randomness of the numbers of insects produced and released and the inefficacy of the strategy.

No public consultation, consent or information passed to defense or planning departments.

During this time Professor Richard Claproth and Tjok Gede visited the heads of the community in Bali and none of them had heard anything about the program. We spoke with a lot of tourists and the Expat community in Bali and none of them heard about this either. Proving the releases were un-constitutional.

10th-12th October 2023 AIS - 'Green Technology' Conference on Bali The police predict riots, in international news papers like a psyop as no one is allowed to even hand out a flier uninvited in Indonesia, let alone demonstrate. Always peaceful and completely uninformed as to the dangers of Green Technology. I shared my "Green Technology notes for a White Paper researched for Institute For Responsible Technology in 2021

Green Technologies

If you let the World Mosquito Program call their mosquitoes natural and not genetically engineered, you will have sacrificed Bali for ever.

All the following biotech products and strategies will be allowed in to destroy Baliinese health and Indonesian waters without regulation,

I refer specifically to the products promoted at the AIS Technology Conference on the 10th and 11th October 2023, claiming to help climate action and the bio safety risks of a mRNA vaccine factory. We already need to consider how we will destroy the eggs safely without even one escaping.

The Biotech Industry Lie that the World Mosquito Program are using:

They claim that Gene Editing of microbes does not create Genetically Modify Organisms

But any genetic engineering of microbes (whether that is to add IP Technology to Wolbachia bacteria, isolate a virus to create a mRNA vaccine, or to biodegrade plastic or anything are in fact hundreds of times more unpredictable and irreversible, and the techniques completely inaccurate and drive worse problems.

# Dangers of 5G

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC9806221/

It is totally unwise to roll out a new wireless technology to which there was originally huge opposition, and thousands of mosquitoes with Internet Protocol Technology inside them. We are giving huge access to our blood, DNA, health and location to whoever has access to the patented digital equipment that controls the AI.

GEM = Genetically Engineered Microbes (Eg wolbachia)

GEM-based Green Clean Technologies

We are within 2 weeks of a cataclysmic release: https://protectnaturenow.com 16 minute film

GEM based fogging - Biological action of synthetic Pyrothroids that the Aedes aegypti is already resistant to (references in petition)
Recycling Waste
Bacteria as plastic digesters
https://www.bbc.com/news/business-57733178

**GEM-based Vaccines** 

Algae Biofuel
Algae in biodiesel production
https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3813529/

Abundant biomolecule source for industrial and biomedical applications. Algae grows in tanks, in sunshine. Microorganisms grow much faster than traditional crops, and can use wastewater or even saline water during their development, rather than fresh water.

Grease microorganisms, also called oleaginous microorganisms found in the species of bacteria, yeasts, molds and algae are applied in biodiesel production to supply fatty acids source for transesterification. They convert agro-industrial materials (e.g., plant biomass) to cellular lipids could be

#### Algae food

GE Algae for food, feed, and fuel applications. In addition to the faster growth rate, higher biomass productivity, also ability to synthesize complex metabolites.

Use for GE lipids, proteins, and carbohydrates. Apart from the production of secondary metabolites, microalgae have also been targeted for various applications in nutraceuticals, pharmaceuticals, dietary supplements, personal care products. CO2 sequestration, wastewater treatment, high-volume low-value products.

With genetic engineering, scientists can develop algae that grow faster and ward off deadly bacteria. They can create algae that produce more oil — which can then be turned into biofuels or biodegradable plastics. Or, they can engineer algae to be more nutritious, whether consumed by livestock or people.

Thin-film Solar Electricity from microorganisms https://theconversation.com/this-is-how-microorganisms-can-produce-renewable-energy-for-us-149933

## Molten Salt Storage

In mitigation there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases (with potential to cause significant impacts on environmentally sensitive resources) including genetically engineered organisms, synthetic biology unless the proposed activity would be contained. Purdue University Project.

#### Solar Tower

GE Microbial Biomass: Photovoltaic-driven microbial protein production can use land and sunlight more efficiently than conventional crops https://www.pnas.org/content/118/26/e2015025118

#### **Custom Biofuels**

Researchers at UCLA have opened a path to cheaper and cleaner biofuels by using genetic engineering to fundamentally change how certain organisms process sugar.

## Student Green Technology Competitions

The Premiere International Synthetic Biology Competition https://video.igem.org/c/2021\_project\_promotions/videos?mtm\_campaign=promovideos-out-now&mtm\_source=igem.org&mtm\_medium=compsection&mtm\_content=textlink&s=1

The iGEM Competition is an annual, world wide synthetic biology event that gives students the opportunity to push the boundaries of synthetic biology by tackling everyday issues facing the world - including Frost -destroying bacteria (again), GE wine yeast, GE water cleaners and 50 others.

## Soil Bioremediation

Bioremediation of soil using GM Microbes is done 'in situ' whereas the soil is taken away with other remediation techniques. It is considered safe and optimum and contained in 'a parcel of land' and they imagine that when the contaminant is eater (the microorganism's food supply) it dies off.

Environmental biotechnology indicates that microbes such as bacteria, yeast and filamentous fungi can remove heavy metals from aqueous solutions. ... GE microbes, recombinant DNA and RNA technologies have all been used for successful bioremediation

https://www.sciencedirect.com/book/9780128219256/fungi-bio-prospects-in-sustainable-agriculture-environment-and-nano-technology
GE Fungi can break down PAHs – Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
Fungi mediated pollutant degradation and bioelectricity generation
Long-term health effects of exposure to PAHs may include cataracts, kidney and liver damage, and jaundice. Repeated skin contact to the PAH naphthalene can result in redness and inflammation of the skin. Breathing or swallowing large amounts of naphthalene can cause the breakdown of red blood cells.

Biochar is a good remediation - but charred also means scorched (think Maui) Application of biochar as an effective renewable adsorbent for enhanced bioremediation as strategy to mitigate HM/PAH co-contaminated soils.

The recombinant DNA technology for the degradation of unwanted materials from air, soil, water, and raw materials from industrial waste (PCR, antisense RNA

technique, site-directed mutagenesis, electroporation (permits stable integration of genes into plant chromosomes), and particle bombardment techniques have become fine-tuned for bioremediation developing effective, safe, and economical techniques for bioremediation. https://www.sciencedirect.com/topics/agricultural-and-biological-sciences/genetically-engineered-microorganisms

#### **Enhance Pesticides**

Novel genetically engineered microorganisms to enhance their potential to metabolize particular compounds such as hydrocarbons and pesticides.

Great symbiosis between GMO organisms and GMO microbial species to clear them out of the environment.

(Except this first demonstration of a clonal effect influencing the ability of a transgenic plant to form a mycorrhizal symbiosis with a potential fungal partner). https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s004250100658

Recent developments in the use of genetically engineered microbes and transgenic plants for the bioremediation of contaminated sites.

https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11434-013-0058-

8#:~:text=Genetically%20engineered%20microbes%20for%20remediation,heavy%2 0metals%20from%20aqueous%20solutions.&text=GE%20microbes%2C%20recomb inant%20DNA%20and,been%20used%20for%20successful%20bioremediation.

Designing E coli bacteria to express mercury and clean it up (Mercury is the most dangerous substance on the planet)

Genetic engineering of Ecoli applied to metal bioremediation has the potential to improve or redesign microorganisms so that biological metal sequestering systems have higher intrinsic capability. To construct strains that are capable of specifically accumulating Hg2+ from dilute solutions. https://www.researchgate.net/profile/David-Wilson-

123/publication/11844847\_Bioaccumulation\_of\_mercury\_from\_wastewater\_by\_gene tically\_engineered\_Escherichia\_coli/links/54e799060cf2f7aa4d4dc1dd/Bioaccumulati on-of-mercury-from-wastewater-by-genetically-engineered-Escherichia-coli.pdf

## Enhance soil health - Steering the soil microbiome

Soil Immunity: There is now a compulsory need to enhance the ability of soil per se to defend against invading pathogens (i.e. soil immunity). Soil immunity is normally attributed to the activities of the functional microbiome. In the meanwhile, pathogen-microbiome interactions in soil are sensitive to soil contaminants which would filter out unique groups of microbial communities. Steering functional soil microbiome will not only limit disease development, but also reduce the level of soil pollution.

## Arguments for Field Trials

Field applications of genetically engineered microorganisms for bioremediation processes https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Steven-

Ripp/publication/12467700\_Field\_applications\_of\_genetically\_engineered\_microorg anisms\_for\_bioremediation\_processes/links/5a6f589a458515015e615b1a/Field-applications-of-genetically-engineered-microorganisms-for-bioremediation-processes.pdf

Engineering Bacteria for Bioremediation of Pollution

The treatment of environmental pollution by microorganisms is a promising technology to optimize the enzymes, metabolic pathways and organisms relevant for biodegradation. But the natural metabolic diversity of the autochthonous microbes is insufficient to protect the biosphere from anthropogenic pollution.

"Molecular methods allow the characterization of microbial community structure and activities, the performance of microorganisms under in situ conditions and in concert with the indigenous microflora will become predictable."!

http://bioinformatica.uab.es/biocomputacio/treballs02-

03/rburgos/dades/Articulos/Engieneria.pdf

Biochemicals (the dangers of both chemical and biological contamination.

'Transformed' (GE) bacteria to degrade forever chemicals contaminating water from airforce bases.

#### **Smart Meters**

delivering improved network efficiency and responsiveness, and playing an important role in the transition to a low-carbon economy.

"Grant sponsor: Smart Energy GB. Conflict of interest: None." This was written at the only health and environmental impact statement of smart meters (!)

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7379585/

Smart meters emit Radio Frequency electromagnetic fields. RF-EMF and "Cell phone level RF-EMF disrupts human skin microbiota"

https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/28956351/

#### Lithium-ion Batteries

GE Metalotollerant bacteria produce valuable metal nanoparticles from the world's spent batteries

#### Fuel Cells

Microbial fuel cells: novel microbial physiologies and engineering

https://analyticalsciencejournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1002/elan.200980 001

Advances in Graphene/Graphene Composite Based Microbial Fuel/Electrolysis Cells Electric Power Generation from Municipal, Food, and Animal Wastewaters Using Microbial Fuel Cells

## Rooftop Wind Power - Eco Laboratories

24 DNA-shaped turbines on the roof of the tower. 19-foot-tall vertical-axis turbines designed for quiet as built to house thousands of genetically engineered mice. Tidal Power

Optimisation of tidal power arrays using a genetic algorithms

#### Green IT

3/4/5G Wireless: We use EMFs for communication between our body cells. Life slowly evolved in relation to electromagnetic fields (EMFs).

Radiation produce stress proteins, a halving of fertility, lethargy, changes in flight dynamics, in the success of foraging, in reaction speeds, escape behaviour, disturbance of circadian rhythms, blocking of the respiratory chain and damage to

mitochondria, misactivation of the immune system, increased number of DNA strand breaks, impairment of locomotion, with some irreversible effects.

https://wsimag.com/science-and-technology/65062-5gs-threats-to-wildlife

#### Green Concrete

GE Fungi traits: Application in Self-Healing Concrete

**Green Building Materials** 

Mycelium are mainly composed of a web of fungal filaments called "hyphae", which acts as a natural binder, growing to form huge networks called "mycelia". These grow by digesting nutrients from agricultural waste while bonding to the surface of the waste material, acting as a natural self-assembling glue. Engineered mycelium composite construction materials from fungal biorefineries.

Urea formaldehyde (UF) resins that were modified Cyanobacteria that's been genetically altered to produce building materials.

#### Modular Nuclear Power

Parallel civilian benefits justify military spending in both nuclear and GoF. Waste is toxic

# Artificial Photosynthesis

Improved Photosynthesis photosynthesis process by generating the Rubisco enzyme in a bacterial host https://biooekonomie.de/en/news/bioengineering-improves-

photosynthesis#:~:text=Biochemists%20in%20Munich%20managed%20to,also%20boost%20future%20crop%20yields.&text=Thus%2C%20there%20is%20an%20urgent,crop%20yield%20for%20food%20output.

What are the benefits of artificial photosynthesis? The main benefit of artificial photosynthesis is to produce a hydrogen fuel that will be energy efficient and carbon neutral. It will be a renewable source of energy which can be used for transportation. It will not add any green house gases into the atmosphere.

#### Waste to Energy

The alternative was to retrofit the same plant with advanced technology that would remove dioxins through selective catalytic reduction - missions: selective catalytic reduction (SCR), selective non-catalytic reduction ... using autotrophic bacteria grown on ammonium in an oxic gas stream.

Nitrogen Oxide removed using GE microalgae.

## Biochar

Addresses free radicals.

GE biochar: Effective renewable adsorbent for enhanced bioremediation is strategy to mitigate HM/PAH co-contaminated soils.

Biochar engineered with hydrogel, digestate and microbes for wider bioremediation options.

Bioengineered biochar reviving bioremediation and sustainability

#### Health

Leap To Brain therapeutics, developing 3 GE microbes to transform in the nose and skip the blood brain barrier and tell obese people they don't feel hungry

https://video.igem.org/w/4ScXb5JX5GBsLdxuqCxhud

In medicine, genetic engineering has been used to mass-produce insulin, human growth hormones, follistim (for treating infertility), human albumin, monoclonal antibodies, antihemophilic factors, vaccines, and many other drugs.

# Agriculture

https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/science/wealth-from-waste-a-novel-indian-biotech-solution/articleshow/52061459.cms

Burning stubble fields in India is replaced with biotech GE solution of turning all waste to alcohol (again).

CRISPR has introduced important agricultural traits including heat, cold, and herbicide tolerance; viral, bacterial, and fungal resistance

Banks of microbial germplasm, which hold GE microorganisms with diverse traits of plant growth promotion, decomposers of crop residues, antagonism to diseases and insect-pests of crop plants, and soluble nutrients like phosphorus.

http://www.icrisat.org/what-we-do/crops/ChickPea/KB\_CD/mbgermplasm.htm

Aprifreeze - A Switzerland team are spraying Apricots with a synthetic agent that will stop frost

(!) https://video.igem.org/w/kGRDA6yXK5UHFApvq8r6sr Risks in agriculture. Increased weediness or gene flow, resistance evolution, and herbicide carryover to rotational crops were among the potential risks of genome edited crops that have been observed in different regions for an important staple crop: rice.

Crispr safely adapts crops to new environments (False)

Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS)

- Enhancing CO2 bio-mitigation by genetic engineering of cyanobacteria† https://pubs.rsc.org/en/content/articlelanding/2012/ee/c2ee21124f
- GE enzymes to enhancing the uptake of CO2 through the photosynthesis process; raising the amount of carbon displaced into "low turnover" systems such as cell walls; and increasing the amount of carbon transferred to root systems.
- Algae Carbon Capture tanks coupled to coal-fired power plants to catch emissions.
- GE Algae in Carbon Capture systems fed to GE shell fish to better store the carbon.

## Natural Foods

Gene editing can change the foods we eat every day, boosting flavour, disease resistance, and yields, and even tackling allergens like gluten—and scientists say they're working only with "nature's own tools".

Synthetic biology, gene editing and transgene technologies that involving gene manipulation are widely used in food research and development.

Synthetic Biology in The Development of Engineered Therapeutic Microbes Synthetic Biology in Diagnosis and Treatment of Human Diseases through Engineered Microbes

CRISPR provide opportunities to nutritionally fortify foods

Genetic modification of microbes is transforming our ability to combat all sorts of diseases

Novel fungicides, pesticides, insecticides, herbicides to support the food supply. Classed as pesticides whether chemical or biological.

#### Conservation

Synthetic Algae for the Great Barrier Reef which is 50% lost. Native algae is stressed and releasing reactive oxygen and killing symbiotic partners the coral. https://video.igem.org/w/rPfMYNBikQzFizqdTFygH4

Revolutionize Environmental Monitoring of endangered fish, making it quick enough to base decisions on water-based operations.

#### 10th October 2023

Slides requested for Professor Richard Claproth to "Empower the Community Leaders"

Joint research Frances and Margaret

The Vested Interests of Bill Gates

(And full Conflict of Interests research available on request)

# Human and Mosquito Population Control (1)

Mosquitoes

There is no intention to reduce mosquito populations in Bali

"We no longer need to shorten the lifespan of the mosquitoes. If the mosquitoes live their regular lifespans, they have more time to breed and pass on the Wolbachia, which stops the virus from passing from mosquitoes to humans," WMP said."

Read more: https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1644452/for-posting-edited-changing-mosquito-genes-spreading-bacteria-science-sees-success-vs-dengue#ixzz8FgWIcVWx

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#### Humans

1998 Bill founded the Bill and Melinda Gates Institute for Population control

2000 Two years later the United States sued Microsoft for Anti-trust violations monopolising the market. The District Court ordered a breakup of Microsoft as its remedy.

2000 This same year Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation was founded

2003 Gates releases his 14 Global Challenges including needle-less vaccines, Al surveillance and mosquito control methods.

2004 Awarded open-ended funding to Yogyakarta to develop a mosquito for mass release.

They managed to develop the most dangerous technology of all - a "gene-drive". World-wide, gene drives are banned from any open-air release. It is not just a risk that they will live and spread in nature. They are produced specifically to live and spread and these mosquitoes indeed have a gain of function: an immune system enhanced by the Wolbachia Bacteria to out-compete other viruses.

More terrifying again is that the WMP have received an exemption from safety testing, using a common argument for gene editing that because the materials are natural, then the new species "could have" happened in nature through breeding or evolution. "Substantial Equivalence" This is false. The researchers themselves said they used microinjections of Wolbachia thousands of times, into the ovaries and sperm of mosquito eggs before achieving genetic adaption to a permanent Wolbachia-infection that will be passed to every off-spring for all future generations.

"Our method does not suppress mosquito populations or involve genetic modification (GM), as the genetic material of the mosquito is not altered," WMP said. This is the absurd claim of Substantial Equivalence between GMO and naturally-evolving organism and microorganisms.

# Intentional Confusing of Intellectual Property and Patent Laws (2)

The World Mosquito Program released a Scale Up Report stating that the Wolbachia Bacteria

used was protected as Intellectual Property. At the meeting they said the Wolbachia they used was completely natural and definitely not the same as found in other tropical diseases.

This use of the Wolbachia IP was the only legal risk they foresaw in scaling up the mass release of new mosquitoes into Bali and importing and exporting them to twelve other countries.

The deliberate confusion is the shortening of Intellectual Property to IP for years and now the shortening of Internet Protocol to IP, to obscure their inclusion of biotech surveillance in all products.

During the pandemic Bill Gates lobbied governments, spending 8.3 million on this leverage.

The Bill Gates Foundation then opposed the lifting intellectual property protections on the

vaccines, even though they were publicly funded and the first drugs to go on the market

without their active ingredients in the public domain - for independent testing. They are only

tested by the companies that manufactured and sold them.

If a research laboratory does not need to disclose the DNA sequences it has created, no one else can test those parameters or monitor them in the environment. This is particularly important in line with the definition of a vaccine. Which are the micro dose of the pathogen itself, sufficient to trigger an antibody response.

National Security need to exercise the Freedom Of Information about the wolbachia IP. This will become important if there were new cases of disease in the population and we needed to establish if there was a connection to the Mosquito release.

In 2010 Bill Gates claimed exclusive rights to computerising the human body. Patent: US-6754472-B1 - Method and apparatus for transmitting power and data using the human body | Unified Patents.

In 2019 Bill Gates Bought shares in Biontech which became the Pfizer vaccine. Selling them two years later, he made a profit of 242 million dollars and announced publicly a week later that the vaccine did not work.

Bill Gates has also committed huge donations of between 1.2 and 4 billion to Polio oral vaccines, in recent years. This is even though in 1972 before a Senate Committee hearing, Polio Inventor Jonas Salk testified that nearly all polio outbreaks since 1961 resulted from or were caused by the oral polio vaccine.

This is the pattern of Bill Gates Philanthropy. He announces a crisis and then provides the antidote to it. As recently as last November 2022, Bill Gates issues a warning and forecast of a biological attack using Small Pox and then proposes the solution. Within two days the US government had bought up 113 million's worth of OrthoPox vaccine from Siga Technology, whose reports described this as making for a good revenue base.

The pattern is to create both the crisis, the cornered market and the vaccine and insist on the mandate. Small pox was a very telling choice of Bill Gates as there are only two high security laboratories in the United States that hold Small Pox, it is no longer present in nature. Therefore any re-emergence would have to be orchestrated and a connection made to laboratory who had managed to have a vaccine supply of that scale ready. The vaccine supplier had received a grant for 20 million in 2016 and a patent was registered that year too.

#### The Law and No one seems to be Liable for the Releases (3)

We have no recourse to law or a liable organization, if the release is not stopped now.

Bali has a responsibility to veto the mass mosquito release (200 million breeding) and a pharmaceutical laboratory now, on national biosafety grounds.

A mass release was stopped in Singapore and also in California, who demonstrated the impossibility of containment of a contamination, or predicting down-stream affects and irreversible damage.

But also on efficacy grounds: The reports only claim 'promising' results where diseases 'find it difficult' to reproduce in Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes and the incidence of dengue 'and other diseases' is reduced. Furthermore, they say 'it is not clear' why the 'Wolbachia does what it does'. These are not quantifiable or qualifiable results. The percentages for success claimed in

Yogyakarta cannot be proven.

WMP claim that Bali is a different project, and the responsibility of the implementers. No one has said

they will assume liability. Although Bill Gates' Microsoft has said this month that

"it will assume legal responsibility if they get sued for copyright infringement while using the

company's Al Copilot services".

This is the Artificial Intelligence used by the mosquito project to do the risk assessments, using modelling. And also their AI was used to map where the eggs should be distributed for maximum effect - they decided on recruiting people in their homes to adopt just a cup-full of mosquito eggs (but containing 500) and give responsibility to these home owners to report back on their progress.

Medicines and drugs companies have been protected from liability since 1986

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National\_Childhood\_Vaccine\_Injury\_Act. By May 2024, the World Health Organization will self-appoint themselves as the authority on when to call a pandemic and which preparations to fund research and which responses governments must buy and implement, such as vaccines and boosters. Bill Gates was one of four non-government partners who decided the pandemic response to Covid, and he and Soros purchased the Covid Testing company.

Indonesia will not stand a chance

Microsoft has been sued in the past by the United States and the European Commission. Although these government bodies won, they lost again when Microsoft appealed the decisions and Microsoft have not complied with any of the courts' remedies.

There are three current lawsuits from the Philippines, Peruvia and India, with charges of pre-meditated murder by Bill Gates, following his vaccine rollout and adverse events.

https://www.theverge.com/2023/9/7/23863349/microsoft-ai-assume-

## The Eggs (4)

2013 It was discovered that mosquito eggs carry the diseases that the health strategy are claiming to reduce. Mosquito eggs carry all the diseases that were present in the parents. And their parents. This will make the pathogens themselves, Dengue, Zika, Malaria and the others specific to where the new mosquitoes are being reproduced; epigenetic traits. A gene drive usually claims to drive one trait through all future off-spring through breeding - this was supposed, even by the researchers, to be just the harmless bacteria Wolbachia through every Aedes Aeqypti. But Wolbachia has been shown to be not harmless at all and completely unpredictable. Indeed it is associated with a new strain of Malaria. Malaria itself is a disease that hasn't been a problem but has shown up 8 cases since Bill Gates' release of mosquitoes in Florida and Texas. Another paper showed how Malaria was

not just carried in the egg but transmissible by the hatched mosquitoes. The seriousness of distributing millions of eggs, that become larvae and must remain in water for two more weeks feeding (and being fed on) and then become breeding biting adults in any awareness that each carries diseases that are transmissible to humans, cannot be overstated.

In Sri Lanka, the threat of Dengue has increased multiple times over since the mass release there two years ago. In the last two months articles confirmed being over-run with larvae.

The scientists we have spoken to so far, even from the research in Yogyakarta, do not seem to be aware that these mosquitoes are a gene drive, let alone address or this catastrophe of or responsibility for releasing hundreds of millions of eggs which are infected with the diseases.

2023 First release refused, in California, on inability to evaluate environmental damage and to human health by the release of a gene-edited organism - mosquito and micro-organism -Wolbachia bacteria, because they are living and spread through breeding, gene transfer andmutations to adapt, unlike .Female mosquitoes can transmit Zika virus to their eggs

So many vested interests in biotech. And major power to implement his objectives without consent.

Do not be concerned that Bill Gates has supported Indonesian research or there may be a financial obligation for the funding that has been received. "Microsoft's \$68.7 billion deal to acquire Activision Blizzard has been approved by EU regulators just weeks after UK regulators blocked the acquisition. The European Commission has concluded that the deal can pass thanks to commitments from Microsoft related to cloud gaming."Compared to 2.4 million spent by Gates on a village on Bali, Damasaba, on tenuous grounds of need.

Whatever it was for, and for however much, we are still in a position to veto the mosquito release as too dangerous and Bali as too small to manage, either the risk assessments necessary or financially redress any contamination.

In terms of contamination, one must not be naive to the wider biotech solutions being. There will be pesticides to manage the mosquitoes where they are not wanted.

Drones will socialised as an idea by using them monitor the spread in larvae in high-rise buildings. There will be a vaccine offered for the Malaria and Dengue Hemorragic Fever. It might even be made mandatory or airborne or even to be delivered by new mosquitoes. There will be no way to diagnose symptoms from raised intolerance to multiple bites or mutations in the Wolbachia, or synergies developing between the pathogens and Wolbachia. Possibly, the contamination will be so obvious and far reaching they will need to bring the military in to radiate the insects. This was their procedure in Singapore and possibly on a huge scale in Maui, where there was a 20-year mosquito release launched this May 2023.

Bali is a sacred place protected by Gods and we must act in their name to protect ourselves from this underhand attack, or even experiment, if we give everyone the benefit of the doubt.

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Changing mosquito genes, spreading bacteria: Science sees success vs dengue

### Cristina Eloisa Baclig

(First of two parts) MANILA, Philippines—Amid the rise of dengue cases and deaths in many countries world...

How Bill Gates and partners used their clout to control the global Covid response — with little oversight

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How Bill Gates and partners used their clout to control the global Covid...

Four health organizations, working closely together, spent almost \$10 billion on responding to Covid across the ...

Does bill gates prefer genetically engineered mosquitoes or natural wolbachia method?

Anything that gets the technology into us.

Microsoft assumes legal responsibility. for AI customers
Microsoft says it will take the heat if Copilot AI commercial users get sued
https://www.theverge.com/2023/9/7/23863349/microsoft-ai-assume-responsibilitycopyright-lawsuit

Microsoft says it will take the heat if Copilot AI commercial users get ... Emilia David

Microsoft will also pay any summary judgments.

### 68.7 billion on Activision Blizzard games for Al

Microsoft's Activision Blizzard acquisition approved by EU regulators https://www.theverge.com/2023/5/15/23723703/microsoft-activision-blizzard-acquisition-approved-eu-european-commission Tom Warren

Microsoft still faces regulatory scrutiny in the US and a UK appeal.

## Patent for Ebola

https://brevets-patents.ic.gc.ca/opic-cipo/cpd/eng/patent/2741523/summary.html

Under the PREP Act, companies like Pfizer and Moderna have total immunity from liability if something unintentionally goes wrong with their vaccines.

You can't sue Pfizer or Moderna if you have severe Covid vaccine side effects. The government likely won't compensate you for damages either

https://www.cnbc.com/2020/12/16/covid-vaccine-side-effects-compensation-lawsuit.html

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Bill Gates Land Grab and GMO foods

Gates can create world's biggest agrifoodtech testbed, but needs to win over farmers first

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Jack Ellis

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Patent the right to computerize the human body Bill Gates Patent Gives Him 'Exclusive Rights' To 'Computerize' the Human Body -

## The People's Voice

US Patent 6,754,472, which is titled: Method and apparatus for transmitting power and data using the human body. A patent granted to Bill Gates awarded the self-appointed world health czar the "exclusive rights".

"Civil liberties groups have expressed outrage over Gates's move to patent the human body. "Body parts, in this case skin, should not be in any way patentable," said Jim Thomas of the ETC group, which monitors developments in technology. "There are big questions here about whether individuals will be able to refuse this technology if it is used in, for example, tracking devices."

Klaus Schwab's right hand man, Yuval Noah Harari, says there is no question that individuals will have no say whatsoever about refusing this technology. According to Harari, "The designer of life will no longer be god, the WEF are going to be the designers of the future of life."

Harari also explains why Gates' patent on the human body is so important. Gates was at the forefront of the computer science revolution, according to Harari, and he is also at the forefront of "the revolution in the biological sciences." And guess what? According to Harari, Bill Gates' two revolutions are about to merge."

Germ Games and the plan to promote commitment to the WHo's and Bill Gates pandemic tools.

Event 201 Pandemic Exercise: Highlights Reel https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AoLw-Q8X174

"Selected moments from the Event 201 pandemic tabletop exercise hosted by The Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security in partnership with the World Economic Forum and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on October 18, 2019, in New York, NY. The exercise illustrated the pandemic preparedness efforts needed to diminish the large-scale economic and societal consequences of a severe pandemic."

The WHO will have a decision by May 2024. Lets make it a no!! when will the who pandemic treaty be decided

when will the who pandemic treaty be decided?

End of May 2024 but not if there are not finished drafts of the Treaty and the IHR Amendments presented to all member states at least four months beforehand, which they haven't.

An emergency of larvae was declared by this group Crisis24 | Actionable Risk Management Discover security risk management & integrated risk management services & technologies offered to organizations ...

## 20.10.23 Final Petition Outline

We put together a couple of petitions, one in Bahasa Indonesia and one in English to stop the mosquito release that referenced all our research points it urged for a due diligence process regarding National Security, Community, Environmental Health, Legal, Financial, and Operational techniques of the Wolbachia Mosquito Release

Program. We located the CARE2 petition a moratorium.

## 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023

PETITION created by Frances and Margaret

Stop or Postpone Mass Mosquito Gene Drive on Bali

We invite you, the environmentally and socially-concerned men and women of Bali, Indonesia and the wider world to add your voice to this petition for Transparency, Safety, and Deeper Consideration

Before

the release of 200 million Wolbachia Bacteria-infected mosquito eggs in Denpasar, scheduled for November 13, 2023.

The release was casually announced via Instagram, only one month ago But unexpected impacts, on the environment and human health, will be permanent.

#### THIS PETITION AIMS TO:

Outline and evidence the urgent need for a Due Diligence process

to assign Financial, Legal and Operational Liability For the mosquito program

Summary of unacceptable risks:

- Millions of biting mosquitoes dependent on human blood will have a catastrophic effect on Tourism:
- The World Mosquito Program strategy to BREED Wolbachia bacteria into mosquitoes means the people of Bali and tourists must expect to get hundreds of millions more mosquito bites. Mosquitoes must get a blood meal before they can produce their eggs. Every female will lay up to 100 eggs, three times in her adult lifespan.
  - Global Petition To Stop Gene Drives:
- Gene drives have not received approval for open-air release or field testing because they spread a permanent genetic change in an ecosystem and the impacts on human health are impossible to predict, however well-meant. https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11248-023-00335-z
- The spread of both the mosquitoes and the Wolbachia bacteria cannot be contained or reversed, after release. Gene Drives: Assessing the Benefits & Risks Future of Life Institute
- An international petition collected over 308,000 signatures this year, claiming that even gene drive research was so danger that it should be stopped globally.

https://act.wemove.eu/campaigns/gene-drive-moratorium-int-en

Who is liable Bali mosquito release?

Are the World Mosquito Program, researchers, funders, mosquito manufacturers and universities financially liable, if it goes wrong or doesn't work?

Diseases and damages will be nearly impossible to trace.

We need Bali's Environmental Protection Agency and a relevant Competent Authority, before any release, to declare the extent of their liability or veto the release. We demand clarity on who is protected from liability as well.

No consequences for Bio Tech damage
 Did a mosquito release generate a more dangerous variant of zika?
 https://theecologist.org/2016/feb/01/pandoras-box-how-gm-mosquitos-could-have-caused-brazils-microcephaly-disaster

Did Dengue vaccines in the Philippines cause a deadly variant of the measles? https://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/2019/05/03/719037789/botched-vaccine-launch-has-deadly-repercussions

Wolbachia Bacteria feeds parasites that worsen the tropical diseases which the releases are supposed to reduce. https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/16230105/

Wolbachia can cause Elephantiasis and River Blindness. https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/12860672/

• Escalation of Dengue Threat in Sri Lanka after release In Sri Lanka, there is a mosquito larvae crisis and Dengue cases have doubled since the mass mosquito release 2021. (Crisis24 - Sri Lanka Elevated Dengue Fever Activity).

In Yogyakarta trial, researchers acknowledge increases in spread https://ugm.ac.id/en/news/19884-ugm-innovation-wolbachia-technology-for-humanity/

- Due Diligence For Bali:
- We strongly request Due Diligence Protocol that covers funding, transparency, efficacy assessments, safety evaluations, and an in-depth analysis of risks before any release takes place. The regulatory framework for the mosquitoes in Bali needs to address:
- Risk of spread to other species, the disproportionate and ongoing increase in mosquito population, the risk assessment of vertical gene transfer in imported eggs and the safety of the Wolbachia bacteria and Wolbachia IP technology.
- Hidden information: Wolbachia Bacteria and Wolbachia Technology: Non-disclosure of the use of Wolbachia (IP) Internet Protocol Technology in the Bali mosquitoes is a matter for National Security. https://riip.hal.science/pasteur-03412240/file/s41598-021-00888-1.pdf

Wolbachia Bacteria (Natural) and Wolbachia IP Technology (Artificial Intelligence): AU\_Scaling up model .pdf

The WMP claim that their Wolbachia Bacteria and mosquitoes are both natural and not genetically modified. https://www.reuters.com/article/factcheck-mosquitos-idUSL1N2LM0WT

However, inserting an IP technology; using automated micro injection to insert a bacteria; and creating a Gene drive all require genetic engineering.

• Artificial Intelligence In Mosquitoes: Artificial Intelligence simulations

were used to analyse risk and biohazards (https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/ai/ai-for-earth-world-mosquito-program) Whoever is responsible for the monitoring, surveillance, data collected, mapping of locations and timing for mosquito egg distribution is protected from liability by patents and exemptions and Microsoft to pay legal costs for copyright infringement, however valid the charge. https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2023-09-07/microsoft-says-it-will-protect-customers-from-ai-copyright-lawsuits.

- Wolbachia IP Technology in the gene drive in Bali is a massive infringement on National Security and Bio Safety. The Wolbachia IP Technology patent's owner (https://patents.google.com/patent/US7868222B1/en) has claimed exclusive rights to all the digital equipment, data collected and data transmitted using the technology. This demonstrates a conflict of interests for World Mosquito Program. Has the WMP been allowed to put an AI technology into the mosquitoes to deliver information to an unrelated agency for unknown purposes?
- Bali Testbed For Patented Biotech "Toxic mosquito aerial release system", patent details of which can be found at this reference.

"Right to computerize the human body. Method and apparatus for transmitting power and data", Unified Patents. Bill Gates' Patent: US-6754472-B1

Vertical Transmission of Disease in Eggs:

It is well documented that mosquito eggs carry Dengue and other diseases. This knowledge of Vertical Gene Transfer, from generation to generation, should prevent approval to ever mass release eggs. https://www.umu.se/en/news/viruses-detected-in-swedish-mosquito-

larvae\_5818057/#:~:text=The%20new%20study%2C%20published%20in,female%20mosquito%20to%20her%20eggs.

Zika found:

https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35708402/#:~:text=Natural%20vertical%20transmis sion%20is%20an,when%20horizontal%20transmission%20is%20difficult.

Dengue: https://academic.oup.com/jme/article/44/3/492/855234 Chikungunya:

https://parasitesandvectors.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s13071-016-1505-6 Malaria: https://www.nhm.ac.uk/discover/news/2022/october/dormancy-malarial-mosquitoes-may-offer-new-ways-fight-disease.html

Hundreds of millions of eggs are planned for distribution in Bali, imported with their additional undetected disease pathogens.

WMPs goal is not to decrease the population of mosquito but to spread them.

The one species of mosquito that already cant be controlled by fogging is being released in Bali https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7533057/https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Resistance-profiles-to-different-insecticides-tested-in-Ae-aegypti-from-Denpasar-Bali\_fig2\_317422393,).

• Mosquitoes are insects but have now have been re-categorized as pesticides. https://www.epa.gov/pesticides/epa-seeks-public-comment-proposed-

amendment-experimental-use-permit-genetically "Like all pesticides, genetically engineered mosquitoes are regulated under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)" Even if we accept that they are not genetically modified, we do not accept that the Bali mosquitoes should escape all regulation. Please sign if you want Due Diligence done before this release.

Your Name:	
Date:	
Email Address:	

P.S. Please share this petition with friends, family, and colleagues.

We will present the results by way of a public consultation to the authorities, to inform decision-making.

If you have any questions or wish to contribute further, please feel free to contact us.

30th October 2023

Legal Strategy using

Interim Injunction and request for proper planning process to be followed. Later found out that Indonesian Law does not have an 'Injunction' process.

The beauty of an injunction is that the hearing can take place immediately (the next day) and without the defence \* being present.

It will call for a postponement of the release until Due Diligence is conducted, as per the petition. The bigger case down the line will argue that Due Diligence cannot be conducted without the exact Wolbachia Bacteria strain, genetic sequence and data from the IP Technology all being in the public domain, for the sake of monitoring its spread, its appearance in the environment and our bodies due to gene transfer, and therefore make effects and liability possible to trace and prove.

I started with a case against the Planning Office to show the group how a National Planning Process is supposed to run and in what ways this release can be paused to ask to follow proper process.

As Professor Richard Claproth holds a position in the Planning Office -

Can we ask about the possibility of putting the injunction on the Government Planning Office for granting planning permission prematurely:

Planning application

Was a planning application received for the release? By who and in which department exactly?

Planning Permission

Was planning permission approved for the release? Who was it assessed by and approved by?

Maps of release sites

Is the planning office where you saw the maps?

Are the public allowed to view the maps?

- 1) For viewing in the planning office only? Or
- 2) Can the map links be shared here to build the legal case and clean-up/solidarity action plans?

**Exemption From Risk Analysis** 

Was it the Planning office who told us that the WMP had received an exemption for

the Bali release?

If not, who exactly did tell us about the exemption? (This is important as every time we make this statement that there was an exemption, WMP and others just throw a random risk analysis, into the chat or the group, as if 1) the WMP have done a risk analysis and 2) that there's been an independent risk assessment done too. We know these statements are not true but we need that "in person" confirmation that exemption was granted and by who.

Planning Process

We may be able to use the the legal instrument of the Aarhus Convention which say that the public must be consulted about plans that will significantly impact their environment and health.

There was no Public Consultation - What we have been calling Socialisation of the information about the program but I think should include matters of consent, informed consent and manufactured consent:

No Invittation for Comments from the Public -

In recent years, planning offices have only offered the public the chance to comment, not object but still an objection period should be publicised in the newspapers before permission.

No Objection Period: There should be a six week period between a planning application received and permission being granted for the public and other affected parties to make their objections.

International Concern: Gene drives are of global concern, overseen by Military biosafety organization DARPA. Bali's National Defence were not even informed of the release. So relevant authorities within the government were not given an objection period either to explore the risks from a bioweapons standpoint.

Who do we serve an Interim Injunction on?

I put a star by the word "\*defence" as Denpasar WMP could be "the Defence", the ministry of health as WMP partners in the release, the Bali's Environment Protection Agency (as the US EPA regulate mosquito releases in the States). It could also be Bill Gates or WHO or the Patent owner who need to have an injunction put on them first.

I started with a case against the Planning Office to show the group how a National Planning Process is supposed to run and in what ways this release can be asked to follow proper process. Next we will share the case for an interim injunction on the grounds of Bioweapons and the International conventions and legal instruments we could use there.

3rd 11th 2023

Due Diligence Questions - created by Frances and Margaret sent to Warsito lead scientist WMP, Yogyakarta University Due Diligence Questions

Dear Warsito,

Thank you for offering (at the Gladiator Bangsa webinar on the 30th September 2023) to answer our technical questions about the Yogyakarta Wolbachia Mosquito Safety and Efficacy trials in a detailed presentation.

As we are short of time, Gladiator Bangsa would be grateful for an interview format with Dr Kun, and a statement in response, rather than presentation. We intend to use these questions to inform a solid due diligence process, before a Bali release. Very much appreciated for your prompt response. Respectfully,

The following questions were forwarded to Save The Children Fund as soon as we found out that they were the Implementers, and therefore financially liable for the program. That was on the 8th November 2023. Due diligence questions were later compiled for the WHO et al, questioning the scientific foundations of Pandemic Preparedness, Prevention and Response, and not one of the nearly 200 questions was satisfactorily answered by any recipient.

The format for all of the Due Diligence questions, in relation to mass mosquito releases is to establish:

The ways in which the Bali release is the same as the Yogyakarta release so that we can be reassured by the findings of the Yogyakarta Trial.

1. In what way is it the same?

#### Wolbachia strain

- 2. Is it the same Wolbachia strain as Yogyakarta?
- 3. Will the Bali eggs contain the same strain as the Yogyakarta release?
- 4. Did the Wolbachia IP Intellectual Property allow Yogyakarta's environmental protection agency to know the exact gene sequence so that they could monitor its presence in water, other species? Was it made available to hospitals to test for its presence in human infections?
- 5. Were the EPA and Hospitals actively given this identifying sample of the Wolbachia strain used and encouraged to conduct tests during and after the trial period? If so was Wolbachia found to be present in humans or in Yogyakarta's drinking water?
- 6. If not why not? Why were these tests not done? And if the active ingredients/and genetic sequences were not shared, what parameters can authorities use to check the spread of the Wolbachia bacteria?
- 7. If the Wolbachia bacteria strain is different to Yogyakarta, do you know from where it originates?

### **Experimental Release Permit**

Are University and factory Bio Safety Regulation the same in mosquito factories and labs? What are they?

- 8. Are the Bali release eggs produced in the same laboratory as the Yogyakarta trials?
- 9. Is the Bali release going to be released on an experimental permit?
- 10. Was the Yogyakarta release conducted with an experimental permit?

### Number of eggs /adult mosquitoes released

- 11. Were all the eggs released in Yogyakarta bred in one factory?
- 12. How many eggs were released in Yogyakarta?
- 13. How many eggs will be released in Bali?
- 14. Can you simply explain why very different amounts are released in different areas? (200 million eggs are being released in Bali, 20 million were released in Florida, and Maui was given a 20-year program in May 2023?
- 15. How did Yogyakarta decide on their figures to release?
- 16. Can you explain why only male Wolbachia method mosquitoes were released in the past by WMP, but now the release of breeding biting females is being promoted

as the preferred solution? The escape of three females in Singapore was considered so dangerous that the release was stopped?

- 17. Is it true that Wolbachia males are sterile?
- 18. Is it the case that laboratory bred Wolbachia mosquitoes have evolved to express a female bias?
- 19. Does this mean that Bali must expect that a lot more than half the 200 million eggs will be female?
- 20. What percentage of the mosquito bred in the WMP laboratory are now female?
- 21. In the past the WMP would collect the cups delivered to the community houses and sort the mosquitoes. In Denpasar will the cups be collected from the recruited homes at the larvae stage? Adulthood? or as empty cups?
- 22. Does this mean that the home owners are responsible for the release of the adults? If not, where will they then be released? And the WMP?
- 23. Why do the WMP involve the community in the incubation stage?
- 24. Where specifically are they being told to release them?
- 25. Were imported eggs used in Yogyakarta, if so where from?
- 26. Are the Bali eggs to be imported from Brazil, Australia or Kuala Lumpur?
- 27. Were imported eggs incubated directly in the community?
- 28. WMP mention 12 countries in their Scale up report for releases, do you know which manufacturing countries are going to use the exact technology that Yogyakarta developed?
- 29. You mentioned that there were differences between the Yogyakarta and Bali release, what specifically are they?
- 30. Why do the releases need to be different?
- 31. How is this different from a gene drive as all future generations of Aedes Aegpti will be infected by Wolbachia bacteria? Isn't this the definition of a Gene drive?
- 32. In an article during the Yogyakarta trial, you described that when infection reached about 60 percent, it would be stopped. Can you clarify which population you are talking about and how did you monitor the spread to 60 percent?
- 33. Was it the spread of Wolbachia infection among mosquitoes? was it the spread of mosquitoes or were you referring to 60 percent or the target area having been treated with this mosquito technology?
- 34. How did you stop it when you reached 60 percent?
- 35. In the Yogyakarta trial were the equivalent statistics worked out by just the existing populations in the areas for reYou The WMP claim that they will prevent 3 million cases of Dengue. What model was used by the WMP to calculate this statistic for your trials?

#### Blood

36. Would you say that you have bred 200 million mosquitoes over the 20 years of the WMP study at Monash University?

Approximately how many litres of blood did the University need to breed those 200 million Mosquitoes?

- 37. The public will want to question why its ok for that amount of blood to be expected from them to facilitate the breeding program? There is a shortage of blood and we are the silent food bank for the mosquitoes.
- 38. Where did the blood from the laboratory come from?

The Wolbachia Technology developed in WMP Universities Program 39. Would you describe your technology as inoculating the mosquito's species

against the diseases?

40. The WMP claims that it is breeding harmless mosquitoes, can you point us to the scientific papers that rigorously weigh up the benefits of increasing the population of mosquitoes and multiple bites versus reducing the species capacity to transmit disease?

## Eggs

- 41. Do you know of any papers that address the problem of Inherited vertical Gene Transfer of Dengue, Malaria, Ockelbo etc. found in mosquito eggs and larvae at birth?
- 42. Was this one of the biohazards that was considered negligible?
- 43. Was the Wolbachia Bacteria that was micro injected thousands of times into the male mosquito sperm and the female mosquito eggs adopted into the genetic makeup to express it's in all future generations of the mosquito species a new Wolbachia-carrying species Or, when you say Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes, are they Wolbachia carrying genetically or Wolbachia infected relying on the exact mechanism vertical gene transfer that you are claiming won't occur with other bacteria and pathogens.
- 44. There seems to be an extraordinary risk, that the 200 million eggs could be imported to Bali already carrying new or existing diseases.
- 45. Did your University research the risks of vertical gene transfer and horizontal gene transfer of other diseases and infections in addition to the Wolbachia?
- 46. Can you clarify if your method is to inject Wolbachia into adult male sperm? And female adults' eggs?
- 47. Is Wolbachia injected into in to mosquito eggs?

#### The Harmless Bites Claim

48. When the Wolbachia strains are isolated and the micro injections are done, would either of these operations have taken place in an antibiotic culture or an animal-based serum?

There is a central worry that using antibiotic cultures could lead to antibiotic resistance for example infected mosquito bites

- 49. Were students or researchers set any assignments to study intolerances caused by multiple mosquito bites?
- 50. Are there any formal research papers to show a difference between multiple wild mosquito bites and multiple Wolbachia mosquito bites, to support the WMP claim that they are harmless?

## Wolbachia Internet Protocol IP Technology

- 51. Why is "Use of the Wolbachia IP Technology" stated as the only risk of legal challenge, in the WMPs Scale Up Report?
- 52. What are the legal challenges that the WMP anticipate?
- 53. Do they relate to data access or use?
- 54. Can you explain what the Wolbachia IP Technology is?
- 55. What is the capacity of the Al Technology?
- 56. Does the Al Technology, in the released Wolbachia eggs, have the capacity to reassemble itself automatically with the bacteria?
- 57. Could this technology track the future spread of Wolbachia or just the first initial

#### release?

- 58. Can the technology differentiate between different strains of Wolbachia bacteria? You mentioned in the Zoom meeting that the different strains of Wolbachia don't interact for example the Wolbachia in human parasites and the Wolbachia strains in fish and birds roundworms?
- 59. Are you concerned that Wolbachia as a symbiotic bacterium, could evolve, adapt and horizontal gene transfer through an ecosystem more quickly and in ways that Environmental Protection Agencies cannot predict?
- 60. Does the IP Technology involve a substance that can be registered, at a distance, by digital equipment?
- 61. Can this be measured for example by drones as used in Sri Lanka or can the Al relay information to a remote console? Who followed and managed the information gathered by this means in the Yogyakarta trial?
- 62. Does the Al have the capacity to transmit and receive data?
- 63. As an Internet Protocol Technology involves an internet facilitated exchange function, can the released organisms receive instructions?
- 64. Does that mean the spread of mosquitoes and the spread of the released Wolbachia -bacteria strain, can be controlled if necessary?

### **Definition of Success**

- 65. Why do you think that cases of Dengue doubled in Sri Lanka since the WMP release two years ago?
- 66. Does the WMP call Sri Lanka a success?
- 67. Why do you think the larvae crisis facing Sri Lanka did not happen in Yogyakarta?
- 68. Do you know of any substantial differences between the release in Sri Lanka and the trial you conducted in Yogyakarta?
- 69. Yogyakarta Trial Results: The are dengue cases from the project areas in and around Yogyakarta show big increases from the project start date (2014) which only go down by 2018. This implies increased disease and death from the outset. Then a reduction in cases. But then the data show another huge jump to 2019. Is this data inconsistent with claims in the New England Journal of Medicine, of a 77% reduction in cases around Yogyakarta?
- 70. Do you have any concerns about the use of the Mosquito method you designed, for the Bali release?
- 71. Do you or other researchers have any reservations about increasing the population of Aedes Egypti in the wild by billions?
- 72. Can you explain more about the independent arm of the World Health Organization that did the study of Social, economic, health and environmental impacts?
- 73. Which body funded the Risk Assessment?
- 74. Does the Artificial Intelligence connected to Wolbachia IP Technology CNN belong to Microsoft?
- 75. What else was Microsoft Artificial intelligence modeling used for?
- 76. Was it used for the Identification and risk assessment of 50 biohazards research and results?
- 77. How was it used for mapping and choice of release sites?
- 78. Are the local households that are incubating the eggs for the WMP being paid to take the cups?

- 79. What are there responsibilities and liability for the cups and contents?
- 80. What was the two-year socialization program to prepare Yogyakarta?
- 81. Was there any public consultation or consent process, or just promotion and education?
- 82. Why do you think Bali was given so much less notice? Did anything change a WMP decision to conduct other releases first?
- 83. Do you know if only the Health Ministry of each country for release is partnering with the WMP, rather than a whole government coordination process?

We sent 20 referenced 'points for concern' along with 'Due diligence questions' to the WMP.

The potential human health risks had not been researched by any third party outside of the WMP and the WHO, who used only AI modelling.

Our research found that all risks on the following list were actually proven and guaranteed to happen following mosquito releases.

The artificial intelligence assessment found them all negligible.

- 1. Ecological effects
- 2. Genetic biodiversity change
- 3. Change in genetic diversity
- 4. Transfer of Wolbachia genome to invertebrates
- 5. Transfer of Wolbachia genome to vertebrates
- 6. New mosquito species evolves
- 7. Selection for more virulent arboviruses
- 8. Vector change
- 9. Increased vector density
- 10. Increased host biting
- 11. Female biased sex ratio
- 12. Increased mosquito host range
- 13. Increased filarial fitness
- 14. Replacement of dengue vectors
- 15. Transfer of other pathogens
- 16. Environmental change
- 17. Ecosystem service change
- 18. Ecological niche
- 19. Geographic distribution
- 20. Mosquito management efficacy
- 21. Increased difficulty to mosquito control
- 22. Mosquito behaviour change
- 23. Increased resistance to insecticide
- 24. Strain selection
- 25. More dengue infections occur
- 26. Increased dengue virulence
- 27. Increased biting
- 28. Household control
- 29. Avoidance strategy
- 30. Complacency
- 31. Standards of public health
- 32. Interference with other dengue control
- 33. Severity of disease

- 34. More dengue cases
- 35. Dengue transmission
- 36. Nuisance biting
- 37. Other pathogens (transmission of nondengue pathogens)
- 38. Dengue evolution
- 39. Dengue vector competence
- 40. Feeding frequency
- 41. Mosquito density
- 42. Host preference
- 43. Nondengue vector competence
- 44. Economic and sociocultural impacts
- 45. Economic change
- 46. Health care cost
- 47. Tourism
- 48. Loss income
- 49. Expense change
- 50. Socio-behavioural change
- 51. Scapegoating
- 52. Migration
- 53. Adverse media
- 54. Social conflict
- 55. Class action
- 56. Social fear

I highlight 53 "Adverse media" which is the new block to critical assessments. An Unherd hearing at the House of Lords (GB) shared how the Digital Watchdog uses AI to track 'adversarial' information for deletion, rather than untrue information. Therefore AI referring to the problem of Adverse Media means that it doesn't matter if it's true or not, but could cause an obstacle to the deployment of the mosquitoes. Later, there is a report about AI as a military retaliatory protocol, that bombed an Indonesian maternity hospital in Gaza, in retaliation for the postponement of the mosquito release that we achieved.

I highlight 54 "Social Conflict" defined as 'the struggle for agency'. Men and women above corporations and public servants have struggled to have their superior jurisdiction acknowledged and the UN are even trying to pass a treaty to make defining oneself as a biological man or woman a 'crime against humanity' making it even harder to establish our jurisdiction. Soon we will all be criminalised by 'hate speech laws' and the simultaneous release of private messages on the private platform Telegram, which has now been forced to go public and disclose messages, even deleted from the time of its set-up in 2013. This will include of course millions of angry posts as experts and unacknowledged victims of the industrial military pharmaceutical complex lost their jobs and lives during the pandemic and had to move to this safe platform to share their concerns.

I highlight 55 "Class Action" which should include everything that is written here, every action of Gladiator Bangsa, every action of Hawaii Unites, Every action of the World Council For Health and every other peace worker who has contested the military offensive against us and counter-intuitive justifications for nuclear and gain of function and military spending of public money.

The culmination of my class action was to file an appeal in the Swiss Federal Supreme Court April 10th 2024, where Siti Fadilah Supari former Minister for Health refused to share pathogens with the WHO and military before, and also the criminal actions of the US government and military in the Kingdom of Hawaii have been recorded, as well as war crimes in Israel.

I highlight 56 "Social Fear" as more and more people wake up to the fact that all 56 risks identified are the real objectives of the implementers; to demoralise, criminalize and eventually kill us, but not before all wealth, resources and fines are extracted from those who survive and sovereign nations, as punishment for resisting.

I am not sure if it is the same for Maui but in Indonesia, WMP claimed 95% acceptance by community but no village heads, planning, or public consent sought.

## 5th November 2023 Sunday morning 8am

Meeting with the head of the Puskor, Deva Satriya Nusantara Hindunesia and Bali's Health Office Representative in the park. Deva received text messages confirming the mosquito release would be postponed, on his telephone from the Acting Governor, read and witnessed by 15 people. Bali's Health Ministry Representative came to speak to us and confirmed that the Governor intended to stop the mosquitoes.

A group gave out flyers, designed and printed by a group, since dismantled.

November 5th 2023 Sunday afternoon: Deva Satriya Nusantara received an invitation to a Save The Children Fund meeting with full list of attendees. It was to be held the next day 6/11/23 and the wider group of 300 people were invited to register and attend if we wanted to. The meeting was held at the Inas Hotel, on the 6/11/23. Deva Satriya Nusantara of Hindunesia had registered additional attendees when he was told the list of officials had been invited. It was found out that the World Mosquito Program intentionally misled the Ballinese. Save The Children Fund's Bali office had completely closed down. (I informed Save The Children Fund UK of the charges and the military involvement by phone and letter and neither were followed up.

Bali Solidarity, Hindunesia, and Gladiator Bangsa were told (by the Governor's Health Dept Representative) that it was an emergency meeting, to address postponement of the release and 10 of us registered to attend.

November 5th 2023 Sunday evening: I composed and sent an email to all the attendees, to support a decision to postpone the release until due diligence was completed. I attached the Bioweapons Paper, GM Mosquito White Papers and Due Diligence questions to compare Yogyakarta trials with Bali egg deployment plan. I also included the full petition points in Bahasa Indonesia.

### 5.11.23

This is a copy of the email message I sent on the 5th November, and why I sent them, to all the attendees invited for the meeting the following day, at what turned out to be a stakeholder meeting.

On Sunday 5th November 2023 night, we still thought the meeting on the 6th was an emergency meeting of relevant authorities to discuss the release of the WMP mosquitoes. I wanted to make sure that the attendees had all the dangers clear in their minds and not claim ignorance as some sort of defence, if the release went ahead.

Therefore, I looked for as many addresses as I could find for the officials attending and I sent them an email with the Petition Points and references in Bahasa Indonesia and then also the due diligence questions and my research papers. The only difference to the email that I am sharing here, is that I attached a 'bioweapons in terms of mosquitoes', update for the Defence Department. I knew they had seen the bioweapons paper before but I wanted to connect the risks of using wolbachia mosquitoes, in particular.

The only acknowledgement of the emails was from Dr Kun, who sent me a message saying that the Ministry of Defence was very grateful for my update; a new report on the bioweapons in relation to mosquitoes work.

Emails were received by: puprkim@baliprov.go.id pendapatan@denpasarkota.go.id Mayor Of Denpasar otoritaspusat@kemenkumham.go.id High Prosecutor bnnkab\_hulusungaiutara@bnn.go.id Chief of Bali Regional Police putramanuaba28@yahoo.com - Medical Council putramanuaba28@yahoo.com - Medical Council kominfo@denpasarkota.go.id KODIM Colonel Inf Dody Triyo Hadi tppkkbali@gmail.com Chair of the PKK Bali Province Driving Team regional3bappenas@gmail.com: Andi Setyo Pambudi persuratan@bnpb.go.id humas@mail.kominfo.go.id sahabatsetara.id@kemenpppa.go.id Gusti Ayu Bintang Darmawati diskominfo@jabarprov.go.id Gede Pramana, Head of Bali Province Communication, Information and Statistics centertropmed.fkkmk@ugm.ac.id Riris Andono Ahmad dinkes@bulelengkab.go.id info@savethechildren.org bali@wmprojects.org

Now I look at the list of email addresses again and see Bali Police, I realize that maybe this email is what had "opened an investigation earlier" with the Bali police, rather than the meeting with the Health Minister's assistant in the park with Deva and the Professor of Biology last Sunday? However the fact that the police did already have an investigation open, means that the Bali's Head of Intelligence, Chief of Police and the Health Officer who mentioned the earlier investigation did actually know of the release in Denpasar. And remember this was a turnaround by the police as they had just said they had not heard of the release.

(It was sent before the meeting on Monday 6th, so the email only has the scientific, ecological, and health risks, not the point of political and legal importance that came out at the meeting: It being a foreign-funded program). It is a concern that there has still been no response to these real dangers or the scientific due diligence request. I

believe the fact that these emails were sent and received will show that the responsibility lies between the stakeholders (attendees) as they were made aware of them.

On Wednesday night, I thought of how I should respond to the formal invitation from the Implementer. I thought of having the meeting on zoom, so they could not misuse any photos of us smiling and say the program had somehow been suddenly, miraculously "socialised" and the community even the opposition all accepted it with open arms. I thought about trying not to say anything that would be impossible to show evidence for, on the spot, and I thought of how Save The Children Fund and World Mosquito Fund would equally misrepresent our absence, if none of the 5 expats that they had invited, showed up at all. It would also be disrespectful to the Village Heads and not one of us might have a chance to explain that we visited all the other Village Heads with Tchok and none of them had heard of the release and not one had wanted the release.

I decided that I wanted to alert the implementer to the karmic consequences of managing a program/laboratory/release/trial of that scale as he didn't have any knowledge or interest in the science that is said to support it.

On the morning we were supposed to meet Save the Children Fund and ask questions of the World Mosquito Program scientists, I composed the long message while we waited to see what we should do. Dr Kun had said that National Defence would want to be there to hear the answers to the due diligence questions. Bali Police had said to us that they were doing any further investigation and biosafety protection, and Deva had said that the Imigrasi were going down to the meeting too, to potentially deport the scientists involved. They had asked us to find out which scientists we would be speaking to, so that they didn't have to wait until they were at the airport or did something wrong to detain them. Immigration officials had told Deva to warn us that we might be detained as well if we attended the meeting.

I wasn't supposed to mention the authorities who were coming to detain the implementers and ensure the decommissioning of the laboratory and seizure of the eggs and yet we were not to disrupt the appointment by saying we were not going ourselves. That was okay because I decided to make our basic courtesy apologies later. Unfortunately, Wied, the Save The Children Fund implementer, messaged to say they were there. Then he rang twenty minutes later. That meant there were no police, no defence and no imigrasi there. SCF and WMP were waiting for us. I panicked as I did not want to say something I hadn't decided to say. I declined the call and sent the message.

I understand there was a major demonstration and press conference the following day in Jakarta where it was reported that the mosquitoes had caused a major uproar and rift between politics and defence.

To: kominfo@denpasarkota.go.id <kominfo@denpasarkota.go.id>
Sent: Sunday, 5 November 2023 at 17:52:22 GMT
Subject: KODIM Colonel Inf Dody Triyo Hadi Mosquito Bioweapons extra details for WMP Denpasar 6.11.2023 Meeting

Ministers are meeting today to confirm the postponement of the mass mosquito

release, on the following grounds. Please investigate and comment to support the government in stopping it altogether.

Please explore the question of driving worse variants of disease by spreading a super spreading bacteria. Also how mosquito bites weaken the immune system even if they are not infected. Please ask why the army were involved in releasing the eggs in Yogyakarta? And see the health Due Diligence questions attached.

Would the public be able to evidence for medical insurance if they get an illness related to the release, or who would be liable for costs when health, environment and the economy are lost? Who wiill people be asked to make complaints to? Could you explore the consequences of 5G in tandem with the roll out of 200 million Wolbachia Internet Protocol (IP) Technology mosquitoes?

This is the text of the Gladiator Bangsa petition with links to papers on points of concern. I send them to you so you can prepare for tomorrow's meeting, I also attach the detailed scientific questions for safety and efficacy, which the World Mosquito Program have yet to answer.

Petition in Bahasa Indonesia: STOP / TUNDA PROGRAM PELEPASAN JUTAAN NYAMUK DI BALI.....(full Petition text in English above)

With humble respect and gratitude for meeting and having the power to stop this disaster

Micklem, Frances

The following are some of my original research which I attach to help you raise the questions that have to be answered. I absolutely do not seek to prove anything and I don't write on anyone else's behalf. I was just concerned there might not be a formal opportunity to share the extent of risks Bali is facing.

Attached are White Papers and my Draft Papers from working at Institute For Responsible Technology in 2021, when we released this https://protectnaturenow.com/pdfviewer/legislative-report/ and this film: We were within 2 weeks of making a cataclysmic release.

https://protectnaturenow.com/

Gates has released infected mosquitoes before without permission. https://protectnaturenow.com/pdfviewer/press-release-controversial-genetically-engineered-mosquitoes-gear-up-for-wider-u-s-release/

No thank you to gain of function vaccine research and manufacture in Bali https://protectnaturenow.com/pdfviewer/gain-of-function-research-executive-summary/

Stop the roll out of 5G or we really will not know from where our degraded health is coming from.

There was also a global moratorium on 5G called for. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC9806221/

Lets ask for Bali to be the control group. Bali doesn't need external medicine, we

have our own.

Bali doesn't need any health, food or cultural or charitable donations. Let Bali show what can be done without this so-called philanthropic interventions.

Notice that Merck (also US-based) have offered 100 million doses of Ivermectin (parasite treatment) to tackle Wolbachia-based Filarial disease in Africa. The men and women of Bali have not been given the opportunity for informed consent and we do not consent to this attack.

For Profit Microsoft

Bill Gates. who own the Artificial Intelligence

who control the 5G and supporting devices for using it

who can retain access to the data received and possibly transmit data Smart city plans for Denpasar and even the capital in Kilimantan.

Why would you give away control of Bali, the economic face of

Indonesia and the capital?

Al modeling instead of real risk assessments

Al mapping for how to 'deploy' the eggs (Deploy is a military word used often in my bioweapons paper. If you want me to explain anything, I'll be outside this meeting.

War & Mosquitoes Drones by Bill Gates

There are tens of thousands of Russians living in Bali and everyone is welcome thankfully. Don't overlook the bigger picture that this will be seen as an attack by America. Whether it is or it isn't, we don't want to get caught between two superpowers and make Indonesia a conveniently remote battle field.

Not for Profit. By Bill Gates World Mosquito Program University

Both Profit and Not for Profit:

World Health Organization (Profit and Non-profit Stake Holders). 10% funded by Bill Gates and therefore steered by him strategically.

WHO are an un-elected organization,

Self appointed and who approve all the GMO mosquitoes too. They are funded and managed by pharmaceutical companies who have paid billions in liability cases (see for example Pfizer on "Violations Tracker" on line).

In April 2024 the WHO will bring in their own amendments and call it legislation. They will appoint themselves as the authorities (above governments and nations) to decide when to call a pandemic, what lockdowns, curfews, research, vaccines, releases, approvals and mandates will follow and insist that governments buy these 'recommendations' with public money, however crippling for the nation's economy (tourism will be ruined if 200 million mosquitoes are released here).

You have your own legislation from 2017 that says that the Coordination Ministers must meet and reach consensus before any big impact strategy is implemented. Please use that legislation to stop this. It is an outrageous oversignt to not consult or even inform you all.

Please also ask about the Wolbachia IP Technology which could monitor the release but the WMP claim the wolbachia is natural and contains nothing unnatural. Ask the Health Minister please, if he did indeed buy the license to use the Wolbachia IP technology, why it was not disclosed as the monitoring system.

No one has said they will be liable for damages directly traced to the release, so please decide that at this meeting too.

If you together today make the right choice, you will announce the veto of the mosquito program on grounds of unacceptable risks to public health and livelihoods. Then when the immediate threat has passed, you can move on to saving the world by calling out the massive conflict of interests in the WHO.

Other countries are desperate for help in challenging these technologies and that would be a legacy for which Bali would always be blessed with good health. I'm sure of it.

Attached: 1. Questions for the World Mosquito Program that haven't been answered yet.

- 2. My Bioweapons White Paper Draft for the Institute For Responsible Technology
- 3. Green Technologies White Paper Notes to help you refuse the other biotech heading for Bali.
- 4. Mosuqitoes Drive Disease White Paper Draft for the InstituteFor Responsible Technology
- 5. Mosquitoes as bioweapons update for today's meeting

6th November 2023 - Outside the Stakeholder Meeting

Even though we had registered our confirmation that we would attend, none of us were admitted - until after an hour Prof. Richard and Deva were allowed in and discovered the massive Bali mosquito releases were not a government program but funded by a private Australian family.

The public questions and answers session was on the itinerary and we did not understand why we were not admitted, as we had brought the concerning information about the release and anticipated that they would be anxious to hear it, in time.

Wiwied Trisnadi, Chairman of Save The Children Fund introduced himself to me as 'the implementer' before the meeting started. I told him that WMP scientists had publicly confirmed that 'the implementer" will hold liability for damages. I also told him that the WMP had definitively said they did not know who the 'implementers for the Bali program were. Wiwied said he did not know Save The Children Fund were liable.

This declaration of liability was made at a public live-streamed meeting by Gladiator Bangsa. By World Mosquito Program's Warsito and Professor Adarini from

Yogyakarta. Where they made the claim that they did not know who the Implementer was for the Bali release. They also stated that it would be "the Implementer" who was liable for the consequences of the release. This was repeated several times in that first meeting, where I was invited as a speaker and the WMP Yogyakarta scientists and representatives were sent from the ministries of Health and Defence as well to discussed the release. (Evidence: Gladiator Bangsa Channel: GMO Mosquitoes as Bioweapons and the conference that took place three days later, in Bahasa Indonesia (Early October 2023). These videos may not exist any more as the Indonesian Ministry of Communications did not just 'temporarily suspend' the Gladiator Bangsa Youtube Channel but told Professor Richard Claproth that they had 'permanently deleted' it and he had . This is destroying evidence, when there are two open cases: The criminal case against the World Mosquito Program and Save The Children Fund, and the civil case against the Health Minister. I believe 1300 videos were destroyed. The Ministry of Communications must be asked to retrieve and return those files to the public domain for these cases, in the public interest.

#### Two videos remain:

The Mangkus' (the most holy people in Indonesia) statement refusing all GMO's for Bali: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B2jVntTKPWq

Evidence of genocide following disclosure by the WMP Scientists. They knew that the Culex and Anopheles species spike after a release of Aedes Aegypti, and that had already caused an outbreak of Japanese Encephalitis. Also acknowledgment by the scientists that the mosquito eggs contain at least 11 other other viruses. Proof of Worse Strains: Risk Assessment No.s 1-51 https://rumble.com/v3yq0kd-bongkar-tuntas-agenda-

terselubung.html?utm\_source=newsletter&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=Notice+to%3A++Tedros+Ghebreyesus++From+Humanity&sender\_ctype=email&sendercampaign=eqVx0Z&sendercustomer=6XXq7zQ

I also asked Wiwied what previous job had prepared him to deploy hundreds of millions of mosquitoes on a city. He replied he had been in the Ministry of Health's Pandemic Preparedness department. He and his colleague Bekti Andari remained outside the meeting with Bali Solidarity representatives. They made notes of our questions and concerns. Neither Wiwied nor Bekti, the Save The Children Fund management, had any understanding of the science or any of the risks associated with mass releases. They offered to schedule a meeting with the WMP scientists.

## 6th November Evening

Deva enlisted lawyer to decide criminal charges and enlisted journalists to share news of the releases and the charges.

#### 7th November 2023

Richard enlisted the group of 300 to collate all misleading information they had found during their research.

2) WMP Misleading information - Original 13 Pages of Misleading information researched by Bali Solidarity

(Reference: https://tekno.tempo.co/read/1792352/kasus-demam-berdarah-

meningkat-bali-gunakan-metode-wolbachia

Instead of enquiring whether Bali would be suitable or seeking consent or discussion:

"We're pleased to scale up our work in Indonesia and extend the benefits of the Wolbachia technology to Bali's communities and to the many visitors to the island," says Dr. Claudia Surjadjaja, WMP's Director of Advocacy and External Relations, Asia.

Truth Clarity: To describe a massive increase in the female breeding mosquito population as a benefit, to communities and to tourists, is to refer to two major risks as if they are benefits.

Contradiction: Claudia refers to 'wolbachia technology' but then the WMP promote the mosquitoes as natural and not engineered? The WMP repeatedly make both contradictory statements.

The former states, with scientific references, that Wolbachia mosquito IP technology is genetically engineered. It contradicts the continual messages on the WMP website that the mosquitoes are natural, just to avoid the uncertainties of the science: "Our method does not suppress mosquito populations or involve genetic modification (GM), as the genetic material of the mosquito is not altered."

One of the reasons that mosquito releases are allowed is the belief that the released mosquitoes will suppress the population of wild mosquitoes and die out themselves. Wolbachia mosquitoes do not do either.

When the WMP write that 'the genetic material of the mosquito is not altered', it is misleading. It is a common biotech industry argument to evade regulation of new products. GMOs are subject to some regulation but gene edited microorganisms have been allowed on to the market on the false scientific grounds that either the process is accurate and predictable. It is not accurate. Even the WMP scientists said it took thousands of injections of the bacteria in to adult female mosquitoes eggs and males' sperm before the mosquitoes either survive or the bacteria was transmitted to a next generation. Even worse, it is a gain of function.

The WMP claim that Wolbachia is naturally found in many insects, but not Aedes Aegypti, and so the genetic material of the mosquito is actually altered. This article shows how they're using CRISPR technology with these mosquitoes and that's gene modification

https://www.nature.com/articles/s41467-021-24654-z www.protectnaturenow.com regulatory problems of gene editing microorganisms

WMP claim that when they injected Wolbachia bacteria in to the Aedes Aegypti, studies showed 'promising results'. Wolbachia 'seemed' to block other bacteria and viruses from reproducing inside the mosquito. Many studies say that scientists are 'unclear' about why or how Wolbachia works. These findings are unscientific and it should be but it is a symbiont so over time its relationship to other disease pathogens is likely to change. Results described as promising, likely too, and unclear are not qualified or quantified benefits that justify the risks of releasing 200 million mosquitoes in a city, as an experiment. The findings do not explain the money spent on ensuring the eggs were deployed.

**Drive Variants** 

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6062015/ Manufacturers know that stronger variants of diseases appear when challenged.

#### Gene Drive

The mosquitoes were genetically modified as well, to transmit Wolbachia infection to all offspring. That would never happen in nature, as there are rules to inheriting only half the genes of your parents. This is a dangerous Gene Drive Technology. The WMP deny it is a gene drive. https://www.bmj.com/content/352/bmj.i1086/rr?

## IP Technology Denied

Wolbachia detection in Aedes aegypti using MALDI-TOF MS coupled to artificial intelligence https://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-021-00888-1 confirms that the Wolbachia Bacteria is definitely not natural. It is carrying a patent-protected IP technology (owned by WMP's Australian founder) coupled with CNN artificial intelligence, owned by Microsoft. The inclusion of two foreign surveillance technologies, have exclusive rights and access to all the related equipment and data. Inclusion of IP Technology was completely hidden.

https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2023/oct/23/uk-officials-use-ai-to-decide-on-issues-from-benefits-to-marriage-

licences#:~:text=Government%20officials%20are%20using%20artificial,according%20to%20a%20Guardian%20investigation.

Al military decision-making, surveillance and data collection tool, not social.

Wolbachia mosquitoes have in the past been "infected with a lethality gene." The reason for this was to make sure that the new species/intervention does not persist in nature and change the gene pool. WMP do not state there is a lethality gene in the Bali release. They claim there is no change to the mosquito DNA. But nobody knows how the lethal effects of a gene or sterile males might affect other mosquitoes, or interactions. There is, for example, evidence that GM Wolbachia produces an immune response and spike protein in cats, which might be the tip of the iceberg. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6062015/

Unannounced releases before the date when recruits started incubating them. Who decided to do that?

No political will to look at disturbing live blood samples from North Bali and widespread unexplained illness, not registering as Dengue. Ref pictures.

WMP and Department of Health say 'the implementers are liable'. No one knows who exactly the implementers are at the webinar.

Save the Children declare they are the Implementers. Wiwied is Chairman.

Save The Children Fund were not able to answer even one question. The implementers do not know the science or the risks.

They have no intention of accepting liability as this year they closed their offices on Bali. Therefore not planning to stay around to monitor the aftermath.

Save The Children Fund UK are collaborating with the Bali provincial government and central government. Wiwied, the chairman's, previous job was in the Ministry of

Health Pandemic Preparedness department.

Ref: WHO and the Military website featuring SCF.

Save The Children Fund are being used as implementers by the WHO and collaborating with Indonesia's military secretly on plans on policing protracted crises (future lockdowns). https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/wef-artificial-intelligence-digital-id-

vaccines/?utm\_source=luminate&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=defender&ut m\_id=20240119

The World Mosquito Program literature and promotion, regardless of efficacy or safety, shows that the release is not a health strategy but a military strategy: An act of war on the Indonesian people, treason by the minister of health and a major National Security threat of mosquito production and deployment, as bioweapons of mass destruction. There is no other reason why the mosquito strategy was not passed by Bappenas.

Found to be an Australian program, fully funded by a family of bakers, not a Government Program: has anybody asked Why?

"Non-national agents will tolerate inflicting damage" on the population as well as intended targets. This of course goes for our hostile use of biological weapons on other countries as well.

Dissemination includes inhalation, dermal exposure and ingestion. Eg. contamination of the food supply has been described as the weaponization of agriculture. (https://apnews.com/article/genetics-science-biological-weapons-ap-top-news-us-news-8ed74d87df524ab580d7fbd3b845d0c6)

## Illegal

Illegal: Reference 2017 Legislation determines that all major impact programs must be presented to the Coordination Committee of ministers.

None of the planning, defence officials, village heads or the acting governor were even informed of the WMP mosquito release. And yet it was found in both levels of law with no socialisation or agreement.

Still no Coordination Department meeting took place.

Releases are therefore written into law and against the law, contradictory.

Exemptions granted to The WMP and Save The Children Fund, as a result of accepting the foreign WHO Al-generated risk assessment without question.

Ref: Risk assessment says that if anything comes to light they will stop the program and review the risks but they haven't

For an experimental permit, there was no short, medium or longterm safety testing required, no Regulatory Approval or control group. The risk analysis says that Cease and Desist (Stop the release) for Human Rights violation,

Aarhus Convention - the people's right to be consulted on programs which will have a major impact health and environment. Even now, very few have even heard about the proposed release.

Non-Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction. Proliferation (mass production of mosquito eggs) and intention to use (deploy) bioweapons.

Prohibited by Global Convention on the Non-proliferation of Weapons of Mass

Destruction.

Experimental permit

Illegal small release in North causing major changes in blood. Although anecdotal evidence, and accompanied with great sickness, it is sufficient warning that it didn't work and that there have been undisclosed releases

No Permission from the Government: The World Mosquito Program and Save The Children Fund do not have permission from the government to conduct a mass mosquito release in Bali, so the Police must stop it.

Efficacy

https://www.worldmosquitoprogram.org/en/news-stories/stories/dengue-free-bali-in-sight The WMP says "We have been using various methods to control dengue. Yet, we haven't had good results," says I Ketut Kariyasa Adnyana, Member of Indonesia's Parliament, Health Commission (Commission IX).

Project Wolbachia not a silver bullet for dengue says NEA

https://www.channelnewsasia.com/singapore/project-wolbachia-mosquito-dengue-nea-facility-3773176 This is the WMP preparing us for the failure of the mosquito program and next need for a vaccine. And resistance to fogging etc all referenced in the petition for a due diligence risk assessment before the release. https://forms.gle/RhsNgteT33ckKHKNA

Ministers and public given no notice

Ketut Kariyasa Adnyana, Member of Indonesia's Parliament, Health Commission (Commission IX). He also says that, in a survey of Denpasar city and Buleleng, 95.63 % supported the program.

In Indonesia, particularly in Bali, this is a lie as there was no announcement until the end of September 2023 and even now there is little awareness amongst ministers, and even less in the public. It is brand new information.

The world-altering effects of genetic engineering of microbes

https://images.app.goo.gl/TZW65GojZQLArSuM9

https://www.detik.com/bali/berita/d-7020449/4-109-titik-di-denpasar-jadi-target-penyebaran-telur-nyamuk-wolbachia

### **GMO MOSQUITO LINKS**

https://forms.gle/RhsNgteT33ckKHKNA

Those involved in Indonesia

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Wolbachia & Genetically Engineered Mosquitoes

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second part of the statement is a modification designed to evade the GM label by qualifying it to apply only to the mosquito, not the bacteria.

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Project Wolbachia not a silver bullet for dengue says NEA

https://www.channelnewsasia.com/singapore/project-wolbachia-mosquito-dengue-nea-facility-3773176

Wolbachia Telegram debate - No insults will be tolerated https://t.me/wolbachiamaui and https://t.me/wolbachiamaui/309

The world-altering effects of genetic engineering of microbes

https://images.app.goo.gl/TZW65GojZQLArSuM9

What is a GMO mosquito?

This article shows how they're using CRISPR technology with these mosquitoes and that's gene modification

https://www.nature.com/articles/s41467-021-24654-z

Mosquito Genetic Engineering as a Bioweapon

With Professor Richard Claproth (watch from 1hr 50 mins in)

https://www.youtube.com/live/iGx6 4xo5lk?si=IAjxu25C8iJ8cuup

This shows which 11 countries the mosquito death program is in. This is global!!!

Click this link to see how huge these DNA (gene) edited mosquitoes are

https://www.gatesnotes.com/Mosquito-Factory

A fluorescent marker gene that glows under a special red light. This allows researchers to identify GMO mosquitoes from wild mosquitoes.

From the Orange County California program: https://www.ocvector.org/learn-more-about-genetically-modified-mosquitoes

Inside Singapore's mosquito factory

https://youtu.be/GGiCO 4EgoU?si=ZVIQLzPSoIC3 mSz

Insecticide Resistance of the Ae-aegypti mosquito (These will breed with normal mosquitoes and we may not be able to kill them)

https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Resistance-profiles-to-different-insecticides-tested-in- Ae-aegypti-from-Denpasar-Bali\_fig2\_317422393

This genetic mixing could have made the mosquito population "more robust"—more resistant to insecticides, for example, or more likely to transmit disease—has triggered anti-GM news reports, a backlash from some scientists, and strong pushback from Oxitec.

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The company, a subsidiary of U.S. biotech Intrexon, has a lot at stake; it recently submitted a new generation of its GM mosquitoes for U.S. regulatory review and hopes to conduct its first U.S. field test next year.

https://www.science.org/content/article/study-dna-spread-genetically-modified-mosquitoes- prompts-backlash.

Regulatory and policy considerations for the implementation of gene drive-modified mosquitoes to prevent malaria transmission

https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11248-023-00335-z

Next-Generation Tools to Control Mosquito-Transmitted Disease

https://www.annualreviews.org/doi/pdf/10.1146/annurev-micro-011320-025557

Bill Gates Mosquitoes Timeline

Step 1: Create a virus or disease.

https://www.gatesnotes.com/Mosquito-Factory

Step 2: Release the virus or disease.

https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2022/03/08/genetically-modified-mosquitoes-florida-california/9424548002/

Step 3: Make them sick and cause panic.

https://amp.cnn.com/cnn/2023/06/27/health/malaria-vaccine-infection-mosquito-wellness/ index.html

Step 4: Profit by selling them the cure for the disease you created.

Bill Gates Announces \$168 Million to Develop Next-Generation Malaria Vaccine https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center/press-releases/2008/09/bill-gates- announces-168-million-to-develop-nextgeneration-malaria-vaccine Full Summary: https://generalmcnews.substack.com/p/did-bill-gates-just-release-malaria

INFERTILITY & FETAL DEATH CAUSED BY GMO MOSQUITOES

Naomi Wolf on DARPA & Bill Gates weaponised mosquitoes Malaria Parasites In "Vaccines" Target Placenta, Kill Babies In Utero

https://ambassadorlove.blog/2022/04/23/malaria-parasites-in-vaccines-target-placenta-kill- babies-in-utero/

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DISEASE INCREASES POST GMO MOSQUITO RELEASE BRAZIL - Microcephaly Zika virus outbreak - 4,180 suspected cases

https://theecologist.org/2016/feb/01/pandoras-box-how-gm-mosquitos-could-have-caused-brazils-microcephaly-disaster

Zika virus patent https://patents.google.com/patent/WO2017150683A1/en CUBA - Fever Carrying Mosquitoes Studied in Ukraine Biolabs used to spark Dengue

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"The facts of the use of Aedes mosquitoes as biological weapons, exactly the same species with which the US Pentagon worked in Ukraine, were recorded in a class-action lawsuit by Cuban citizens against the US government and were submitted for reviewing of the signatories to the Convention on the Prohibition of Biological Weapons." https://greatgameindia.com/ukraine-biolabs-dengue-cuba/FLORIDA, USA - Two more people catch mosquito-borne malaria in Florida 750 million genetically engineered mosquitoes approved for release in Florida Keys https://edition.cnn.com/2020/08/19/health/gmo-mosquitoes-approved-florida-scn-wellness/ index.html

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-12276321/Two-people-catch-mosquito-

borne- malaria-Florida-outbreak-two-decades.html MARYLAND, USA

17 June 2023 - Maryland festival helicopter mosquito release https://youtu.be/Xb-SixVnGHU?si=FSIiW2htb1vl\_b5d

20 July 2023 - West Nile virus outbreak https://thedailyrecord.com/2023/07/20/west-nile-virus-mosquitos-found-in-anne-arundel- county/

Pandemic in Cuba

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MAUI, USA

This was filmed 11 July 2023 just under a month before the Maui fires. Lawsuit & a restraining order against the lab releasing these has been filed. They're attacking the indigenous in Hawaii as well.

https://youtu.be/ryRiPOqgzps?si=FcggTHRm3pYICBrr

NEW YORK, USA

Now Recently New York City Is Closing Down Streets & Spraying Mosquitoes To Reduce Risk Of "West Nile Virus"?

This isn't a conspiracy theory, they're ON LOUD SPEAKER: "The city is applying pesticide to reduce the spread of West Nile Virus"

.... Bill Gates in action... we are under attack.

https://youtu.be/NvSO2S\_yfH0?si=HgVLtTWrOciI09wJ - New York (9 years ago) OHIO, USA

GMO mosquitoes in Ohio 19 October 2023 https://t.me/UNVACCINATE/1163306 SAVANNAH, GEORGIA & FLORIDA, USA

(1956) Yellow fever: Mosquitoes infected with yellow fever were released over Savannah, Georgia, and Avon Park, Florida. U.S. Army disease specialists, posing as public health officials, test area residents for effects.

https://www.upi.com/Archives/1980/10/29/Swarms-of-mosquitoes-the-type-notorious-for-transmitting-yellow/5266341643600/

US Embassy Health Alert September 2023

https://vn.usembassy.gov/health-alert-u-s-embassy-hanoi-september-18-2023/SINGAPORE

Singapore Dengue cases in 2023 surpass 300 weekly mark for the first time https://sg.news.yahoo.com/singapore-dengue-2023-surpass-300-weekly-042212064.html

30 June 2023

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The Florida Department of Health issued a statewide mosquito-borne illness alert after four people in Sarasota contracted malaria.

A company owned by Bill Gates (the best friend of pedophile Jeffrey Epstein!) just released 5 million genetically modified mosquitos last year in Florida.

And now malaria has returned to Florida. And yes, they even have a vaccine already... Do you see how this works?

https://community.americanpatriotsforum.com/wall/post/florida-issues-statewide-alert- b4gTqef3P3inpH5

Malaria found in US for first time in 20 years, alarming officials

https://nypost.com/2023/06/26/malaria-found-in-us-for-first-time-in-20-years/

CDC warning after first local US malaria cases in 20 years - Insider Paper

https://insiderpaper.com/cdc-warning-after-first-local-us-malaria-cases-in-20-years/ Malaria Confirmed in States Where Gates' Funded Company Released Millions of Mosquitos https://thevaccinereaction.org/2023/07/malaria-confirmed-in-states-where-gatesfunded- company-released-millions-of-mosquitos/

Adequacy and sufficiency evaluation of existing EFSA guidelines for the molecular characterisation, environmental risk assessment and post-market environmental monitoring of genetically modified insects containing engineered gene drives https://efsa.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.2903/j.efsa.2020.6297

Bioinformatic and literature assessment of toxicity and allergenicity of a CRISPR-Cas9 engineered gene drive to control Anopheles gambiae the mosquito vector of human malaria https://malariajournal.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12936-023-04665-5#Sec2

Biosafety and risk assessment in the use of genetically modified mosquitoes for disease control For proper implementation, no field release must be undertaken until clear scientific proof of efficacy is provided and safety issues for humans and the environment, ELSI considerations and public concerns are properly addressed. Regardless of the quality of the science, the public confidence and acceptance will be the key factors to drive the tool in use. https://edepot.wur.nl/136930 Release of genetically engineered insects: a framework to identify potential ecological effects https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3810890/ Ecological aspects for application of genetically modified mosquitoes https://research.wur.nl/en/publications/ecological-aspects-for-application-ofgenetically- modified-mosqui

Public health concerns over gene-drive mosquitoes: will future use of gene-drive snails for schistosomiasis control gain increased level of community acceptance? https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7170313/

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Mosquitoes in Indonesia are a Bill Gates 2003 response to being sued by America for anti competitive practice in Microsoft.

WHO climate change. New mass vaccinations for "mosquitoes" illnesses 🕲 🕲 🥞 https://www.youtube.com/live/yYBfozLCEM4?feature=share





## PLANNED PANDEMIC

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A Deployable Mosquito Tech Can Execute, Incapacitate, or Vaccinate & The Age Of **Emergency Governance** 

https://www.thelastamericanvagabond.com/mosquito-tech-emergency-governance/ VACCINE BY MOSQUITO

NIH Introduces Vaccination Via GM Mosquitoes

In what researchers described as "1,000 small flying syringes," the National Institutes of Health has successfully inoculated a human volunteer with a malaria vaccine through the bites of infected, genetically modified mosquitoes.

Achieved over a course of 30-day intervals, the vaccinations produced enough antibodies in the volunteers to last a few months. While half the subjects didn't develop detectable levels of protection, scientists said they were encouraged enough to continue development of the technique.

According to Principia Scientific International, "Researchers say the genetically modified mosquitos will not be used at large to vaccinate millions of people. The reason why mosquitos were used instead of syringes, they claim, was to save costs." https://blogs.mercola.com/sites/vitalvotes/archive/2023/08/01/nih-introducesvaccination- via-gm-mosquitoes.aspx

National Institutes of Health (NIH) – which Anthony Fauci ran for 4 decades –

recently provided funding for a study on a malaria vaccine trial. This trial involved the use of genetically modified (GM) mosquitoes to administer vaccines to humans. (12 August 2023) https://x.com/chrismilbank/status/1690378079443496960? s=12&t=U9RA291Ra8zjoieLBhs2bA

NIH Funded study

https://thefreethoughtproject.com/technology/nih-funded-study-just-vaccinated-a-human-using-genetically-modified-mosquitoes-yes-really

https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/gmo-mosquitoes-human-malaria-vaccine- study-nih/

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Gene Edited Mosquito Vaccines could lead to mass vaccination without consent https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/gene-edited-mosquito-vaccines-malaria-kim- iversen/

NIH Funded Study using GMO mosquitoes https://principia-scientific.com/nih-funded-study-just-vaccinated-a-human-using- genetically-modified-mosquitoes/ 26 June 2023

Mosquitoes, Bill Gates, mass vaccination using mosquitos:

https://rumble.com/v2wg7vy-mosquitoes-bill-gates-mass-vaccination-using-mosquitos.html

Thomas Renz speaks at Pennsylvania State Senate

Gates Foundation is working on engineering flying vaccines via mosquito. It's not just in the food.

https://t.me/realWTFnews/11889

25 July 2023

Lawyer Thomas Renz reveals the Gates Foundation works with vaccines as one of the main funders along with the Wellcome Trust and the Rockefeller Foundation https://rumble.com/v2x4vw2-gates-foundation-is-working-on-engineering-flying-vaccines- via-mosquitoes.html

BioNTech aims to develop mRNA-based malaria vaccine

https://www.reuters.com/business/healthcare-pharmaceuticals/biontech-aims-develop- mrna-based-malaria-vaccine-2021-07-26/

Joe Rogan & Mike Kimmel on "Experts" Using Genetically Modified Mosquitoes to Vaccinate Populations

https://youtu.be/bbP20vwhpNw?si=Q6tnDzCxmpEVAqnm.

https://t.me/worlddoctorsalliance/29836

https://www.naturalnews.com/2022-09-30-gmo-mosquitoes-secretly-vaccinating-people- without-consent.html

GMO mosquito vaccines https://thecountersignal.com/genetically-modified-mosquitoes-vaccinate-a-human/

https://open.substack.com/pub/drtenpenny/p/malaria-in-the-news 1 July 2023

Malaria vaccine via mosquitoes! How ironic!

https://www.sciencetimes.com/articles/40260/20221002/mosquitoes-turned-malaria-vaccine-delivery-system-effective-method.htm

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'Flying Syringes': NIH Just Vaccinated a Human Using Bill Gates' GM Mosquitoes. "We use the mosquitoes like they're 1,000 small flying syringes," admitted researcher Dr. Sean Murphy, as reported by NPR.

The scientists responsible for Pfizer and Moderna's Covid-19 vaccine trials are lining

up to sing the praises of the "flying syringe" system.

https://thepeoplesvoice.tv/flying-syringes-nih-just-vaccinated-a-human-using-bill-gates-gm- mosquitoes

3 August 2023

NIH successfully Vaccinated people using mosquitoes

https://youtu.be/0OYM52CRNUg

3 August 2023

Dr. Naomi Wolf Discusses Use Of Mosquitoes To Vaccinate Humans https://t.me/NaomiWolfDr/5964

5 August 2023

"Then what happens to the mosquitoes? They get inside of crates. They get shipped around the world [and] they go with people places.... So now you're going to vaccinate the entire world without the world's consent by using this science." — Kim Iversen

https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/gene-edited-mosquito-vaccines-malaria-kim- iversen/

14 August 2023

Chinese Researchers Buzzing About Study Regarding the Usage of Mosquitoes to Deliver Vaccines

https://t.me/UNVACCINATE/1094471

A World Health Organization (WHO) official suggested that mass vaccination might be required to combat mosquito-borne illnesses as the infected insects migrate to new countries due to climate change.

Modified mosquitos to Spread Vaccines bought by Crossroads

More news @decerningthetimes https://t.me/c/1648168024/226814

DARPA & HYDROGEL

Luciferase Microarray Patches Contain DARPA Hydrogel & Autonomous Insect Cyborg Sentinels

https://ambassadorlove.blog/2023/06/21/luciferase-microarray-patches-contain-darpa- hydrogel-autonomous-insect-cyborg-sentinels/

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**PATENTS** 

Transfected mosquito vectors https://patents.google.com/patent/US7868222B1/en Modified arthropod and method of use

https://patents.google.com/patent/US20110145939A1/en

Here's the mosquito patent c/o Dr Christiane Northrup

https://patents.google.com/patent/US8967029B1/en

Toxic mosquito aerial release system patent

https://www.bitchute.com/video/JhfKG5PYRaWs/

"Sign this petition by clicking the link below." Link:

https://forms.gle/r3894kP2HnpRawFRA

'One Health' is a global UN and Big pharma big ag & big tech project to link up 'public health' and agricultural & food production. These 'aspects of science' are being brought together into a mechanistic control system where scientists claim to be in command of cells bacteria insects bloodstreams brains waterways airways chemical pathways hormonal signalling systems (glyphosate intervenes in these already) et al. The end point is the Borg in which data is hoovered up from every living organism via Bluetooth enabled biosensors and digital networks down to the micro level of injectables. I wish I was making this up. Until 2020 I had some idea of where GMOs were going to take us. But since 2020 the end goal is far worse than I

imagined when I was first introduced to Dolly the Sheep at the Rosslyn Institute https://www.who.int/health-topics/one-health

## OTHER RELEVANT LINKS

WHO treaty opposition

https://expose-news.com/2023/07/08/international-group-of-lawyers-join-forces-to-oppose- whos-power-grab/

Dr. Meryl Nass: WHO's pandemic treaty to remove human rights, sovereignty under the pretext of pandemic preparedness and biosecurity agendas

Board-certified internist and biological warfare epidemiologist Dr. Meryl Nass issued a disturbing warning that the Pandemic Treaty being pushed by the World Health Organization (WHO) is going to take over the jurisdiction of everything in the world. During the International COVID Summit of the European Parliament held in Brussels, Belgium in

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May, Nass said that the health authorities will use the treaty to impose the idea that climate change, animals, plants, water systems, and ecosystems are all central to health.

According to Nass, the Pandemic Treaty will remove human rights protections currently embedded in the International Health Regulations (IHR), enforce censorship and digital passports, get rid of freedom of speech, require governments to push a single "official" narrative and dictate which drugs should be prescribed in every country.

"We're undergoing a soft coup," she alerted.

She also pointed out how the organisation is moving to create a whole new set of laws and ignore the existing human rights laws under the pretext of pandemic preparedness and the biosecurity agenda. Nass divulged how it is working on binding states so there are no longer recommendations, providing a liability shield – for vaccine manufacturers and public health officials – getting rid of intellectual property rights, and moving supplies from one country to another.

The doctor from Maine added that WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus would be able to declare pandemics at the mere threat of a public health emergency of international concern. He can also call for a world lockdown for declared climate change emergencies as per the treaty.

https://twitter.com/wideawake\_media/status/1684522454234943489?s=20 Watch the full video of the International Covid Summit where Dr. Meryl Nass spoke about the Pandemic Treaty's alarming provisions.

https://voutu.be/4MrlsXDKrtE

Meanwhile, in a separate interview with the independent media organisation Bright Light News, the epidemiologist stressed how the "One Health" concept will put animals and ecosystems on the same level as humans. She said under the direction of the WHO's Pandemic Treaty and proposed changes to the IHR, the United Nations (UN) specialised health agency would be given centralised powers superseding those of its 194 member states' sovereign governments.

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### NATURAL PROTECTION

https://www.metropolisindia.com/blog/disease/10-natural-ingredients-that-repel-mosquitoes#:~:text=Neem%20oil%20is%20one%20of,can%20lead%20to%20skin%20irrit ation

Page 12 of 13 BAHASA VIDEOS Petisi untuk STOP / TUNDA PROGRAM PELEPASAN JUTAAN NYAMUK DI BALI Zoom video with Professor Richard Claproth https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=weZU6sUI5XU Page 13 of 13

## 8th November 2023

The Misleading Information raw research was sent to me at 2am on the 8th and I distilled it into 23 charges of Fraudulent Misrepresentation that were filed later that day.

Charges Filed 8th November 2023

On Monday 6th November 2023 (1) the World Mosquito Program (2) and Save The Children Fund's (3)

Massive Mosquito Release Program (4)

was found to be a Foreign Program NOT A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM (5) And therefore must Cease and Desist (STOP)

It is illegal (6), fraudulent (7), without efficacy (8), without notice (9), without transparency (10) or disclosure (11) and of high National Security risk of being a hostile deployment of biological agents (12). A figure of 40 billion Australian Dollars was paid by the Gillespie Family fund, to establish stake holders who would allow the releases in Bali (13). There has been no Due Diligence done in regard to operational management, financial management, regulation (14) or Liability (15)

Immediate Action required for Hankamrata: Total people defense

- 16) Immediate confiscation of the mosquito eggs
- by the Police with Army support Wednesday 8th November, within office hours.
- 17) The mosquito factory must not be given prior warning of your arrival. WMP and SCF are managed by a non-national agent.
- 18) Or any opportunity to sell of transport the eggs to another buyer,
- 19) Or dropped on another community.
- 20) Or disposed of in Bali unsafely
- 21) Risk of retaliation. They must not have time to distribute the eggs in any of the sites identified
- 22) Already recruited families to incubate the eggs.
- 23) Laws broken Legal Instruments applicable.

Copies of the above charges have been copied and sent by email to attendees of the above meeting.

### 8th November 2023 evening.

Eventually the charges were formally filed but the more senior police officers; Health Officer, Head of Intelligence and Chief of Bali Police all said they had not heard of the release initially. The Chief of police was on the stakeholder list and therefore could be in receipt of a portion of the 40 million Australian dollars spent obtaining agreement for the release to go ahead.

The acting governor rang Deva, while we were still filing the charges in the Police Station and he invited us all up to the Governor's House, where we received tea, accolades and thanks for saving Bali from the mosquito release in time.

### 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023

A Notification from Acting Governor of Bali arrived, endorsed by the President

- "A. On Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at 10 p.m. 07.30 WITA, coordination was carried out with the Bali Health Office regarding the launch of the method for spreading Wolbachia mosquito eggs which will be implemented in Bali with the results:
- 1. This has not been implemented and the Bali Provincial Health Office is still waiting for instructions from the Governor of Bali.
- 2. As for the Governor of Bali's instructions regarding the Launching of the Wolbachia Method which will be implemented in Bali:
- a. The Bali Provincial Government asked WMP and Safe The Children as organizers of the Wolbachia mosquito launch activity to provide massive socialization to the Balinese people.
- b. Provincial Government. Bali requested that a scientific study be carried out first with experts to ensure that there is a guarantee of the safety of the program for both humans and the environmental ecosystem.
- c. The Bali Provincial Government requested that this program really be an official program from the Ministry of Health to be implemented in Bali, not from a private sector or foundation.
- d. "The Bali Provincial Government proposes that this program trial not be carried out in Bali, because there is controversy over rejection from some Balinese people and foreign tourists who live in Bali."

#### 9th November 2023

The police assured us that the eggs would be confiscated and the release program definitively stopped at dawn on 9th November 2023 however Wiwied proposed a time and venue for the meeting between the Bali Solidarity group, Gladiator Bangsa and Puskor to ask the scientific questions of the WMP scientists who were coming especially. We thought it was a trick, as they must know the program had been stopped and the SCF and WMP were under investigation.

I sent a copy of the due diligence questions to Wiwied. I asked Deva what to do. He then asked Imigrasi. Bali's Imigration Police asked me (through Deva) to ask for a formal invitation to the meeting, so that the police and authorities could get names to investigate.

Wiwied Trisnadi, SCF, sent the following invitation:

"Consider accelerating activities to control dengue hemorrhagic fever based on national strategies, one of which uses Wolbachia innovation. We invite you to attend discussion activities at:

Day/Date: Friday, November 10 2023

Time: 14.00-15.30

Place: 2nd floor of Mamma Mia pizza hut, Renon

From Save the Children Indonesia who will be present

- 1. Prof Cameron Simmons Scientist
- 2. dr Citra Indriani MPH (TBC) Online
- 3. Bekti Andari
- 4. Kadek Tomi
- 5 Putu Velyn
- 6 Renon Traditional Village Heads 1
- 7 Renon Traditional Village Heads 2
- 8. Wiwied Trisnadi

Please arrive on time.

Thank you for your presence

Regards Wiwied Trisnadi

Acting Senior Program Manager for Save the Children for the World Mosquito Program"

After that we were told not to attend the meeting as we were informed as follows:

- 1) Imigrasi was going to arrest everyone
- 2) Save The Children Fund would have organised a photographer to capture pictures of Gladiator Bangsa, Puskor and Bali Solidarity representatives at the meeting. Pictures would allow WMP to claim that the meeting had socialised the program and reassured the groups about the science. They might well claim that proper 'socialisation' of the program had now taken place required by the Acting Governor before any release.
- 3) We were also told that National Security and Defence Department personnel would definitely attend the meeting, to clarify the risks from the mosquitoes as foreign biological agents.
- 4) We were also told that Police Intelligence would be there as they were now in charge of the investigation, since we had filed charges on the 8th November and this was now the 10th November. in addition, the Police Biological Hazard Unit were said to be already at the laboratory in Denpasar seizing the mosquito eggs.

Not one of the authorities actually attended the meeting or the mosquito laboratory. This is more untrue information and promises, made by the authorities that were completely false. It meant that Wiwied and his colleagues were genuinely expecting us and rang for the second time, still waiting for us to turn up. At that moment, I sent an apology and explanation I had written, alerting him to The Karmic Consequences of his role as Implementer.

Thank you for the invitation, already suddenly told not to come meeting because of questions regarding safety, efficacy and legality His release is now in the hands of the police and the Department of National Security. The governor confirmed it directly

that the release is discontinued and

that its notification is supported by

President. Have you seen the notification

as well?

Maybe someone from the squad

might attend the meeting

today, as information from

scientists will be important to

health and other environments

departments and other experimental permits

allowed, in Indonesia.

At your meeting on Monday, that is

determined that none of

the participant knows that it is a mosquito

The program launch is fully funded

by an Australian foreign family, and

therefore Bali's release is not a

government program. It came to mind

me that you're talking to us

in the hotel reception area

and not actually on the Stakeholders

T Indate meetings with colleagues who may already be there

skip the backlash against

awareness that it may be illegal. Th

another topic at the meeting in Monda

is it just the Ministry of Health

knowing about the release for several weeks

ago. Even other ministers don't know,

or Coordinating Committee,

which is contrary to the 2017 law.

You may have received the latest information

all this but I think you, personally,

might be used, by that

who want the release to continue,

to suggest that the release is a

government program. They will

say that you are in a 'pandemic

readiness section below

minister before this program, which

you told me when we met.

Since you introduced yourself

for me as "Executor" on

Monday, I realized that you are

man to be made

responsible for the release. "That

executor" has been discussed

in all previous webinars, even with

WMP researchers and no one else would

tell me who that person is. We have to "ask the

Executor", "Executor is

responsible" and responsible for the masses Mosquito release in Bali. And again vou told me when we met. Since you introduced yourself for me as "Executor" on Monday, I realized that you are man to be made responsible for the release. "That executor" has been discussed in all previous webinars, even with WMP researchers and no one else would tell me who that person is. We have to "ask the Executor", "Executor is responsible" and responsible for the masses Mosquito release in Bali. And again You told us at the table that you didn't know the science or the dangers mass release. I'm worried about this is a big responsibility that you have to bear and with the karmic consequences that accompany it as well. This is just my personal I'm worried, as far as I know that's also your job Please try and understand and question science itself today or at least before you stand behind it other programs like this. Please convey our apologies to village heads and scientists and also explained that we would not have translator too. Thank you, Frances"

11th November 2023

Connecting the Mosquitoes Health Strategy To The WHO Agenda for the Indonesian Authorities' Understanding

Significance of the Bali Mosquito Release for Indonesia's urgent withdrawal from the WHO treaty,

Immediate Action required for Hankamrata: Total people defence Indonesia has two choices that must be made immediately or no longer have any choice at all.

In two days' time 13th November 2023 there is the planned Bali Mosquito Release, in Denpasar and another city.

In two weeks' time, 1st December, the withdrawal period closes, from the World Health Organization's so-called Pandemic Treaty. After that date, it would take two years to withdraw and it may not be legal or allowed to withdraw.

The WHO Amendments will give the WHO itself legally binding authority over all governments; to declare a pandemic, to lock down the country, to limit the movement of the people, to monitor and modify the behaviour of people, to inflict economic

collapse, debt and starvation on the people, ban Indonesia's own medicines, ban access to any self-sufficient farming methods - for example rice fields, as potentially a breeding ground for diseases, to allocate public money to Gain of Function research, pharmaceutical vaccine research, mosquito factories, and give the WHO the exclusive right to Approve such drugs for the market, to require governments buy supplies of these PPE and vaccines, and put mandates and penalties in place for any country, or individual man or woman's acting with any freedom, which are in alignment with Indonesian medicine, religion, culture, wisdom, justice, and infrastructure that the government deem more successful to improve and provide national health.

After the 1st December, no world government will have any choice at all. Stopping the mosquito release on National Security, and Scientific grounds (as well as legal and political) will provide the grounds for withdrawal from the agreement with the WHO Amendments (and lead and support other countries to do the same). This would be a major legacy for this incoming government.

The way to raise it to a priority politically for this election period is to ask every minister and candidate for a statement about the WHO amendments.

It is likely that only the health minister will know and not one other minister, let alone the Coordination Departments, have been consulted or reached an informed consensus about the huge impact. On this point, that only the Health Minister was consulted, we can show the example of the Mass Mosquito Release, going against the 2017 legislation. We had to let the other ministers know, and that was after reading the mayor of Denpasar's Instagram announcement just 6 weeks ago.

The implications for the WHO treaty at government level, are that it will create an imbalance that the Ministry of Health will be much more powerful than any other department, and will no longer have to consult with even the ministry of defence. They will control the budgets and choices for all Indonesia. At the moment, if we discredit the actions by the minister of health as political control and financially motivated, as he is not a doctor, we can also question the Minister's Pandemic Preparedness department and principles which are:

1) Giving an unelected foreign organization (WHO) global power on totally false scientific grounds 2) The treatment of whole countries that are not sick. 3) Justification for 'Gain of Function' research, which involves the Public funding of genetic engineering of diseases, to be more fatal or virulent. Gain of Function research results are then not disclosed to the regulatory or environmental protection authorities, or available for independent testing. Instead, they are patented for the development of vaccines, by the pharmaceutical industry, and with-held for biosafety, by the military. The WHO argue that these diseases 'could have happened in nature' and they need to prepare. They use this argument for the mosquitoes as well saying 'The mosquitoes will carry Wolbachia like many other insects do. These engineered enhancements could never have happened in nature but we have to use this scientific argument.

Again, we can use the WMP Wolbachia Mosquito marketing strategy to demonstrate how the WMP and Ministry for health falsely claim the mosquitoes are 'natural'. The

ways that the mosquitoes are scientifically unnatural are really important. We have to argue the world-wide lie that has been lobbied to governments, that Gene Editing are different from GMO.

If the government take the time now to stop all bio-technology use in Indonesia, pending an investigation into this claim that Gene Editing is not GMO, we will have saved the nation. If we don't, we may not get these mosquitoes but we will have to fight every creation presented at the AIS Technology Conference on Bali (Oct. 10th and 11th 2023), such as plastic and oil-eating bacteria, and carbon capture and storage, engineering algae that could change the algae we rely on for oxygen, and every other unpredictable, unsafe and inaccurate edit of Nature's gene pool (microbiome), that man believes he has achieved.

Specifically, to understand today, the Aedes Aegypti mosquito has been bred to carry Wolbachia bacteria, inoculating the mosquitoes from Dengue. The risk is that the diseases including Dengue will themselves mutate into more dangerous strains of disease to compete with the Wolbachia. And Wolbachia itself causes Filarial diseases and is present in fish, birds, and human parasites, as well as transmitting water-borne diseases - where mosquito larvae live for two weeks.

One legal precedent the government could use is that Microsoft were taken to court in 2003 for anti-competition practices, ending in the re-marketing of technologies as not for profit, health strategies.

Indonesia can argue that Microsoft are creating a market for their vaccines, by supplying technology for a built-to-fail mosquito health strategy. And then creating another market, for their 5G and 6G smart cities, using health-justified monitoring and reducing the population's ability to live and work in the natural environment, justified by saying it is for their own safety and to stop the spread.

(Senior WMP managers were at All Eyes On Bali summit yesterday and said they started releases in August in the north of Bali and there already are horrendous blood images and symptoms being observed, that do not test positive for Dengue or other familiar diseases. This could be a covert attack on Bali, which will be followed by Kalimantan on 12 other countries, via mosquitoes (as is stated in the WMP Scale UP PDF) but attack on 193 countries through the acquiescence and blind acceptance of the WHO amendments, via a multitude of health strategies. We need to find out at once, if it is only the Health Minister in each country who has been involved in negotiations and recommending approval of the WHO Pandemic Preparedness Treaty. We must tell them to appeal to all their planning legislation to withdraw their country's inclusion, on grounds of the foreign-control being given away, the level of impact on their country, the absence of financial and scientific due diligence in regard to the WHO, and the absence of due planning process with all ministers and competent authorities.

At the same time, Indonesia does not have to conflict with the super powers of other countries. It can withdraw and state that it wishes to be the Control Group of the medical experiment, which is this Global Smart Health Strategy. The mosquitoes and the majority of biotech for use in medicine, food, agriculture, conservation and military are all on an Experimental Permit of Approval. Every experiment needs a

control group. Indonesia can prove that it can be self sufficient on all these levels, including the refusal of financial money for research.

Indonesia can use another quantitative and quantitative methodology for measuring our health and quality of life and biodiversity. The case against the WHO brought by Indonesia's previous Health Minister, in regard to the taking of samples to America of Avian Bird Flu could be used as a legal precedent. The taking of the samples was followed by gain of function engineering to create H5N1, which escaped from top security labs in America (ref. Institute For Responsible Technology White Papers and draft Bioweapons, Green Technology and GM Mosquitoes papers.)

We must stop the idea of Indonesia's capital being a smart city under the control of surveillance through American artificial intelligence. Again the mosquitoes are strategic for the WHO (who did the risk analysis of the releases, and found 50 potential biohazards as 'negligible'). The Mosquitoes will carry Wolbachia IP Technology, coupled with CNN Artificial Intelligence. The mosquitoes have an interest in human blood as they bite in order to feed and breed. The biggest business in the world is interested in human blood too, including DNA information, data, and samples. There has already been major evidence that the Covid vaccines have corrupted blood in a myriad of detrimental ways.

All these mRNA and other biotechnologies are foreign-owned and patented with exclusive rights to access the data and control the equipment.

In the case of the mosquitoes, a gene drive technology is irreversible but environmental protection agencies will not have the information on the exact gene sequence/strain of wolbachia or ingredients to be able to monitor the spread. The technology is not approved for release outside a laboratory. The World Mosquito Program answer. 1) It is not a gene drive but they intend for the mosquitoes to replace the wild mosquitoes (the exact definition of a gene drive) 2) The mosquitoes are harmless - this is not a scientific statement and not backed up by any scientific evidence) 3) The mosquitoes are natural and deny IP technology in them. This is a denial of the one monitoring system and control (possibly) system, of the mosquitoes, that Bali has. But the Minister for health has bought a license for the Wolbachia Technology. The investigation must include whether the minister intended to sell the data? Or whether he must produce the data for the foreign owner of the technology? Whether he intended to deny a mosquito release monitoring system, so that liability for damages could not be proven etc.

In the case to stop the mosquito release on Monday, it has been shown that the program is Australian Funded, fully. It is not a government program. It is likely, however that the Department of Health with say that the Implementer is from the Department of Health and therefore it is a government program. The implementer, is Wiwied Trisnadi. When asked what he had worked before that prepared him to manage the release of 200 million mosquitoes with confidence, he said the Pandemic Preparedness section in the Ministry for Health. He also said that he does not know anything about the science behind the mosquito method and unaware of any risks to environment or ecosystem. In short, if the Wolbachia is inherited or self-replicated, they are both equally dangerous.

12th November 2023 World Council For Health Asia Symposium Professors Richard Claproth, Michael Northcott and I present at first World Council For Health Asia Symposium - thanks to a last minute cancellation.

Bali resists technocratic 'solutions' ... again

The World Council for Health's Asia Symposium, hosted by Reverend Doctor Wai-Ching Lee and Marivic Villa MD, was held on 10-12 November 2023. Toward the end of the final day of the symposium, an emergency panel was constituted to alert participants to the release, scheduled for the following day, of 200 million mosquito eggs on the island of Bali by the World Mosquito Program (WMP). Since then, and thanks to a courageous campaign driven by people including members of the panel, this release was halted at the last minute by the Indonesian government. This appears to be a temporary reprieve, but it provides time and a sense of urgency to expose more widely the releases of engineered mosquitoes taking place in many tropical regions of the world.

What are Wolbachia mosquitoes?

The engineered mosquitoes that have already been investigated and released elsewhere in Indonesia are no ordinary mosquitoes. The WMP website is at pains to declare that they are not genetically modified. But they are also not – in contradiction to what the WMP asserts – 'natural'. These 'Wolbachia mosquitoes', are created in the laboratory by micro-injecting Wolbachia bacteria into the eggs and sperm of Aeodes aegypti (Ae. aegypti) mosquitoes, which do not normally contain these bacteria.

So, what is the point of releasing Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes in Bali, and five other Indonesian cities, namely Semarang, Jakarta Barat, and Bandung on the island of Jakarta; Kupang in West Timor; and Bontang in East Kalimantan? The initiative aims to deploy these mosquitoes to reduce the incidence of dengue haemorrhagic fever and other mosquito-borne diseases in Indonesia. Indeed, the WMP has been collaborating with Universitas Gadjah Mada in Yogyakarta since 2012 and completed a three-year randomised controlled trial using the Wolbachia method in 2020. An article in the New England Journal of Medicine declared a 77% reduction in the incidence of dengue in areas treated with Wolbachia compared with untreated areas.

The WMP's work is based on research conducted by Monash University in Australia, which showed that when Ae. aegypti mosquitoes are infected with Wolbachia bacteria, they lose the ability to transmit viruses responsible for tropical diseases such as dengue, Zika, chikungunya, and yellow fever. They have since deployed these mosquitoes in a number of regions, including northern Australia; Yogyakarta and the Sleman and Bantul districts of the Indonesian island of Jakarta; Brazil, Vietnam, Columbia, and Sri Lanka, among others.

In Indonesia, the original Australian Wolbachia mosquitoes were crossed with mosquitoes from Yogyakarta prior to the first release to ensure that they were genetically matched to local mosquito populations. Wolbachia is transmitted from parent to offspring via the egg, and it is these infected eggs that are released into the environment. When they hatch, these mosquitoes breed with the local mosquitoes. Over generations the numbers of mosquitoes infected with Wolbachia steadily increase until the percentage of Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes is so high that no further releases are required.

So far, so good, it appears. So why the urgent meeting?

Around the world there are countless examples of enthusiastically implemented novel technologies that have backfired badly, resulting in unintended but devastating outcomes for people, nature, and local economies.

Michael Northcott, Professor Emeritus of Ethics at the University of Edinburgh, and Adjunct Professor at Universitas Gadjah Mada, warned about the dangers of forcing international technical 'solutions' on countries without humbly recognising the wisdom of cultural practices that have evolved over centuries in response to local ecologies. He shared the story of the Bali Irrigation Project, a Green Revolution initiative during the 1970s and '80s. Swiss agricultural engineers and Jakarta agricultural bureaucrats forced Balinese rice farmers to abandon centuries-old temple-governed traditions of rice growing and irrigation known as 'Subak'. Using regulations and fines, farmers were coerced into planting fast-growing rice hybrids and ignoring the advice of the temple priests on sharing water. Ironically, instead of achieving the goal of improving agricultural productivity, the disruption of local traditions resulted in pest plagues and droughts. The engineers doubled down, introducing pest-resistant hybrid seeds, more agrochemicals, and even cement weirs. They dismissed what they considered a 'rice cult' as religious conservatism and superstition.

It was only once Balinese academics and a visiting anthropologist intervened that the engineers and bureaucrats could be persuaded that traditional methods were in fact superior to their scientific techniques. They left widespread damage in their wake, but this failed intervention revealed the wisdom of a tradition in which the spiritual, ecological, and cultural facets of life were seamlessly interwoven. As Prof. Northcott observed, "The engineers knew nothing of the evolved ways in which the culture and religion of Bali distributed the water on Bali, sustained co-operation between farmers, and also controlled pests."

While there are many differences between the current release of Wolbachia mosquitoes and the Bali Irrigation Project, it is worth asking: Have we not learnt the lessons of the Green Revolution? And are we about to see history repeating itself in Indonesia? Let's consider some of the reasons why people are concerned, despite assurances on WMP's website that the Wolbachia method is "non-GMO, safe for humans, animals, and ecology ... [and] effective, with long-term sustainable solutions to dengue."

What are the risks?

#### Threats to Health:

Prof. Richard Claproth has a PhD in Earth Sciences and Economics and worked in the Indonesian government for 35 years where he held various ministerial positions. Since then, he has had a healing practice, drawing on approaches such as Rife and quantum healing, and during the Covid-19 event he developed effective ways to treat the condition. He has deep concerns about the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes, seeing this as an experiment being carried out on the Indonesian people that may have dire consequences for health. In a recent interview on DIO-TV.com, he went as far as to suggest that the release of millions of Wolbachia mosquitoes on the island of Bali is tantamount to biological warfare [perang biologi].

One of Prof. Claproth's main concerns is that the reasons for selecting Bali were clearly specified in the project objectives. Curiously, dengue is not actually a serious problem on the island. Where deaths due to dengue fever are concerned, Bali does

not appear in lists of the top ten Indonesian regions or cities affected and in fact experienced only ten out of a total of 1,014 dengue-related deaths during the first 47 weeks of 2022. Regarding the two release areas chosen, the number of cases has decreased significantly in Buleleng, and there was no available data for Denpasar, making monitoring of efficacy unrealistic. On the other hand, the 14 districts where dengue has shifted in status from sporadic to endemic within a three-year period were not prioritised for Wobachia mosquito control.

Prof. Claproth also noted that the Indonesian government had managed to get dengue fever under control by implementing five public health programmes, namely ongoing vector management; accessible management of cases; effective surveillance and response to outbreaks; community engagement; and government commitment to effective policies, programmes, and partnerships.

While case numbers fluctuated greatly from year to year (notably in response to El Niño events), the actual percentage case fatality rate had remained very low in the past few decades (Figure 1).

He feared, however, that the shift in focus to the Wolbachia programme might detract from well-established protocols that were working, in favour of a relatively unproven approach that might introduce new risks.

Figure 1: Incidence rate (per 100,000 person-years), and case fatality rate (%) of dengue haemorrhagic fever in Indonesia (1968-2017).

Graphs of the incidence rate (number of cases) and case fatality rate (number of deaths) for the period 1968-2022 show that, although case numbers fluctuate from year to year, deaths have declined and remained at very low levels. Established methods of prevention and treatment have proven effective, and dengue fever is not considered a particularly dangerous disease in Indonesia.

Prof. Claproth and Prof. Northcott also pointed out concerns relating to previous releases of Wolbachia mosquitoes. In the case of Sri Lanka, two years after their release by WMP, Columbo experienced a tripling of dengue cases (61,000 reported so far in 2023) and a larvae crisis. Despite this being reported in the media, WMP continued to report that the Sri Lanka release was a success. Also, Singapore has recorded a doubling of dengue infections since their Wolbachia release. In the Yogyakarta trial, data anomalies were observed in areas chosen by the WMP, with an unexplained doubling of dengue cases in 2010 and 2015 before the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes in 2011 and 2016. Some are suspicious that this might have been caused by the withdrawal of normal management protocols prior to the releases, making the decline in cases due to the Wolbachia programme appear more significant than it actually was.

Furthermore, as shown in Figure 2, the 2016 release in Yogyakarta was followed by another large increase in dengue cases in 2019. This is inconsistent with claims in the New England Journal of Medicine article of a 77% reduction in cases. Indications of significant increases in both Ae. aegypti larvae and dengue cases after release of Wolbachia mosquitoes should be investigated before any more releases are permitted.

Figure 2: Dengue case data in the Special Region of Yogyakarta for the last ten years until the 47th week of 2022 (Presentation: Update on the Activities of the Wolbachia Implementation Pilot Project. Ministry of Health, Republic of Indonesia, 1

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The public is generally unaware of these spikes in dengue cases in Wolbachia trial areas because the WMP, supported by the BMGF and its slick public relations operation, floods the web-scape with stories of unmitigated successes and images of delighted people (most often dressed in blue, in keeping with the colour of the WMP brand) fanning their hands like pairs of mosquito wings. Curiously, despite their university roots and partnerships, there is little rigorous data or analysis to be found on the WMP website.

# 2. Threats to Ecosystems:

WMP scientists claim that Wolbachia mosquitoes are 'natural' but, of course, they are not, as Ae. aegypti mosquitoes do not normally contain Wolbachia bacteria. The WMP aims to replace indigenous mosquitoes in their programme areas with these engineered mosquitoes, which essentially function as a pesticide. We do not know the long-term consequences of creating a monoculture of engineered mosquitoes in these areas. Furthermore, it appears that no ecological impact assessments have been conducted in Bali; these should be essential in order to mitigate potential negative consequences on the ecosystem.

# 3. Threats to Tourism:

We have already questioned why, as Bali is not a dengue hotspot, it was chosen as a release site by the WMP. Prof. Northcott speculates that, as one of the top tourist destinations in the world, Bali is a useful 'poster child' to publicise the work of the WMP:

The BMGF are extremely good at marketing and this is the reason for the focus on Bali. It has nothing to do with health. Ten deaths at most last year from haemorrhagic dengue fever in Bali does not require \$1 billion of public investment in genetically engineered mosquitoes to put right.

Ironically, if the Bali project does go ahead, worldwide publicity about mosquito releases might contribute to the island's undoing as a tourist destination.

Prior to the Covid lockdowns, tourism contributed nearly five percent to Indonesia's GDP, with Bali being the major source. The lockdowns devastated tourism, having a massive impact on the economy and on the lives and livelihoods of those dependent on the industry. Since the country reopened its borders, tourism has been recovering, but it cannot afford another shock. And releasing engineered mosquitoes in Bali could just represent this shock.

In Florida and California in the USA, where many people are aware of the dangers of GMOs, similar mosquito programmes have been shut down due to the public's concerns about health and safety. Many international travellers are environmentally aware and if they hear of the release of engineered mosquitoes they may be deterred from visiting Bali and other parts of Indonesia.

Another suspicion, fuelled by the Covid event, is that the Wolbachia mosquitoes may have been engineered using 'gain-of-function' technology to transmit diseases other than dengue. Just as international travel was blamed for the spread of SARS-CoV-2, Bali might represent the perfect hub from which to spread the next 'pandemic'.

# 4. Gene drives and the risks of genetic engineering:

A gene drive is a genetic engineering technology that propagates a particular suite of genes throughout a population by altering the probability that a specific allele will be

transmitted to the offspring. According to this definition, the process of manufacturing Wolbachia mosquitoes represents a gene drive. These lab-engineered mosquitoes contain specific strains of Wolbachia bacteria that were never previously present in Ae. aegypti. And according to Prof. Northcott, these bacteria have been genetically modified to express particular characteristics using techniques associated with CRISPR/Cas9 gene editing.

There have been gene drives in other parts of the world that have used different mosquito technologies with disastrous consequences. Gene drives in Florida, New York City, and Brazil have led to outbreaks of infant encephalitis, as well as Zika in Brazil. Malaria has been recorded for the first time in 100 years in New York City, and Zika was recorded in Florida where it had never existed before.

Releasing any GMO into the environment is inherently risky as the outcomes are completely unpredictable. In such a situation, the precautionary principle should apply.

## The root of the problem

The WMP's now-postponed Bali programme feels in many ways like a reincarnation of the Bali Irrigation Project of the 1970s and '80s. Once again, a well-funded development organisation arrives in a so-called 'developing country' armed with a charitable-sounding agenda, novel technologies, and a project plan. While most of the project team believe that they are 'doing good', something about the way in which the project is implemented just doesn't ring true.

Here are some of the discordant notes that have concerned those who care about the health, dignity, and sovereignty of the people of Indonesia:

Normal procedures were flouted

WMP and their partner Save the Children appear to have flouted normal procedures when establishing the Bali project. While WMP signed an agreement with the Indonesian Ministry of Health in December 2022, this was the only national department consulted. They were not granted permission by the National Coordination Authority in Jakarta, meaning that the project contravened Government regulations on new species and health interventions.

A representative from Save the Children informed one of the panel members investigating the mosquito project that they had not received official permission from either the Governor's office or the Acting Governor representing the Province of Bali. They had only obtained permission from the Mayor of Denpasar and consulted with members of the communities targeted for mosquito release, to whom they had promoted the benefits of the project.

Concerns have been raised in many countries about the undue influence of Bill Gates on national governments. In fact, Indonesia's Minister of Health entered into a partnership with BMGF to transform the country's health system. As Prof. Claproth observed, "It is absurd that a Minister appointed by the President could work with a private foundation to develop national health policy." This non-disclosure agreement with the BMGF has not been published, and neither Parliament nor the people have been appraised of its contents. Recognising that BMGF is a major funder of WMP, could the Foundation's agreement with the Health Minister have enabled the WMP to initiate projects without permission from the National Coordination Authority? While the Indonesian Government generally funds development projects, two of the seven cities in Bali where the mosquito releases were planned to take place were instead financed by an Australian NGO, meaning that this was not truly a national programme.

As with the Swiss engineers decades ago who dismissed the authority of the Balinese temple priests and traditions that had sustained the Subak culture, today's powerful philanthropists and NGOs also appear to be disregarding the sovereignty, structures, and procedures of the nations they purport to assist. Why does nobody know?

As the date of the first release of mosquitoes on the island of Bali approached, it was shocking to discover how few government officials and members of the public were aware that this was happening. There had been no attempt to consult the broader community beyond the target populations. Even spiritual leaders, people involved in tourism, and politicians were completely uninformed. One wonders if the 'consultation' process was really designed to obtain consent, or simply to promote the project and educate those community members who would be used to distribute the mosquito eggs.

Intellectual property rights v. due diligence

An organisation that sets out to release 200 million engineered mosquito eggs on a small island, with little idea of their potential impact, can certainly not be said to have conducted due diligence. Based on limited pilot testing, the WMP insists that Wolbachia mosquitoes must be released in Bali, and that the programme must be rolled out nationwide and ultimately globally, at a vast cost of between four and nine billion dollars.

Yet, because the ingredients engineered into these mosquitoes are patented, citizens and government officials in the target countries have no right to know what these insect vectors may introduce into their bodies and local ecosystems. Keeping the gene sequences secret means that independent monitoring of the spread and impact of these mosquitoes is limited because they cannot be tested for in drinking water or in human and animal blood.

Who is accountable?

In the face of the secrecy and lack of broad consultation around the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes the question must be asked: Who is responsible if something goes wrong resulting in dire consequences? Can the government of Indonesia hold the WMP and their funders financially accountable? If a devastating new infectious disease emerges once this genie is out of its bottle, will this result in another major windfall for the pharmaceutical industry, but leave taxpayers footing the bill? And if potential tourists choose another destination due to fears of being attacked by engineered mosquitoes, what might be the impact on a region that relies on tourism revenues?

#### Speculation in a low-trust world

The problem with a lack of transparency and accountability is that it breeds suspicion and speculation. Since 2020, levels of mistrust of governments, agencies, corporations, foundations, and supra-national bodies like WHO and the WEF have risen dramatically – and for good reason. Knowing that major funders of the WMP include players like BMGF, Wellcome, and USAID raises concerns in the minds of those jaded by much delving into globalist agendas.

Beyond concerns about the obvious negative impacts that the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes could have on human and environmental health, questions arise about more sinister reasons for this often unprocedural, secretive, and over-confidently promoted public health intervention.

Panel member Frances Micklem, a researcher who focuses on a wide range of biosafety issues, has exposed references to the role of mosquitoes in bioweapons

research, and the manipulation of Wolbachia mosquitoes to carry Internet Protocol Technology that can be used to receive and transmit data. She observes that, "All these health strategies are basically biotech products that have found a way into our countries on the basis of very dubious regulation, and that will have very wide impact." Frances located the WMP programme within WHO's broader, deeply concerning power grab that is rapidly taking shape with scant resistance from nations or individuals.

# Working together for a Better Way

Already activists in Bali have achieved their most urgent goal, halting the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes scheduled for 13 November 2023. This allows time to campaign for a complete cancellation of the programme. Releases continue in other parts of Indonesia, however, and these must also be halted and the entire programme subjected to in-depth due diligence. There must be full transparency, with all government departments and the public being informed and involved in deciding whether or not to give consent.

The campaign to halt the mosquito release has created widespread awareness about the dark side of this programme, to the dismay of those who assumed that it was a done deal. Open discussions about all potential threats—whether to human health, ecosystem integrity, economic wellbeing, national security, or sovereignty—must be encouraged. And threats that are identified must be investigated. As happened in Bali in the 1980s, it is time for the people to simply say "No!" There is growing awareness that there is a much better way. Many in Bali and around the world are recognising that our nations do not need foreign philanthropy if it means having to accept inadequately tested technologies, or external control over our healthcare choices. It is time to honour that which is authentically ours, including the wisdom and integrity of our diverse traditions.

In her presentation, Frances shared her vision for a way to graciously opt out of the public health 'solution' threatening Bali. She reminded us that every experiment requires a Control Group – in other words, a comparative group not exposed to the experimental intervention. What if Bali could be the control group in the region? Over the coming years, free of engineered mosquitoes and continuing with the public health programmes that have resulted in low levels of mortality due to dengue fever, the relevant government departments could document how well the province fared in meeting the Sustainable Development Goals relating to health, agriculture, conservation, and economic wellbeing.

It's an exciting vision, a return to sovereignty, and in Bali not unprecedented.

21.11.23 - Meeting the next deadline: To Reject the International Health Regulation Amendments before the end of November (ie. within 18 months of the 2022 World Health Assembly)

Letter to the Head of State of all the United Nations Member States and their heads of Defense, identifying their Health Minister and mentioning how their National Security is about to pass to the WHO and full control of their budget and economy will pass to their WHO delegate, as Health Ministers will have first dibs on all public, 'green' and pandemic fund money to fulfil their nation's new obligations to the WHO. I added a template rejection letter, composed by James Roguski, a dedicated analyst of the WHO IHR Amendments and Treaty.

I shared these documents and body of work with the World Council For Health:

"Please find to follow the research pack to send to your WCH partners, both who are facing GM mosquitoes or producing them. I have cc'd the General who has been so attentitve to the threat of bioagents being brought in like this, to the chief of Bali Province police as he opened the investigation, the High Prosecutor, and Maurice Slangan who is a lawyer who I think understands the Central Indonesia Government and Dr Siti Fadillah who has been asked by the World Council for Health to speak soon at one of the meetings.

I am writing to countries' Heads of state who are threatened with mosquitoes, next, but I've written to all the Arabic heads of state today (listed in the WHO page below) about the 1st December deadline to reject the IHR Amendments. My letter starts after the world health organization link and after this introduction!

In addition to raising awareness about the dangers of mosquitoes and the WHO, I think it is important to send this body of work to the authorities, we've been in contact with and taken an interest and helped with the postponement of the Bali Mosquito Release. We are obviously hoping for a serious response, like the complete termination of the mosquito program and serious repercussions for the supposedly charitable organizations that nearly deployed the eggs in homes in Bali homes on the 13th November 2023. There are also a lot of great articles now that do raise the alarm but for a few days, there was nothing said apart from new articles promoring the mosquito release by the Deputy Mayor of Denpasar, and radio silence from everyone else.

I attach the all-important Resignation Letter from the top UN director and the all-important exact letter from the 11 countries who withdrew from the WHO Treaty altogether. Other countries can now copy and paste what they want from it, if WCH can send it out to their partners.

I also attach a few of Richard's videos if you could maybe download them so that Dr Wai Ching can translate them and disseminate them as a transcript or with a voice over in English so more countries will understand how they can stop mosquitoes, withdraw from the World Health Organization and NGO's and eventually file charges, like we did in Bali.

In the letters I sent today to Heads of State (as you know, it only takes one formal letter from the head of state to stop the WHO), I have done a google translate into Arabic mainly or whatever country is spoken in each country but below is the simple version, in English.

In addition, I have attached the 'Mosquitoes From A Microbial Perspective' Draft White Paper, 'Bioweapons' Draft White Paper and 'Green Technology' White Paper notes and references.

And of course the Due Diligence Questions talked about on the meeting last night. One question that no one has been willing to answer is, Who Is liable?

And that is a parallel for the WHO: They are unelected, unaccountable and enjoy

Diplomatic Immunity as they are based in Geneva. They will not be liable for the repurcussions of their pandemic preparedness strategies however many adverse events.

The mosquito release in Bali with no planning or regulatory oversight is explained in a global context for what will happen if heads of state do not reject the amendments to the International Health Regulations before the 1st December 2021. Governments will have no choice or opoortunity to refuse a WHO strategy of any kind, from mosquito, to lockdown, to vaccination, after this deadline. He emphasizes that no government can ignore this. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eh30cThhVm0

If you simply forward this email pack of some of the work we did in Bali to address the mosquito release, it will probably go to your partners in Asia and Africa first and then the rest of the world. My hope is that they might be able to directly write to their heads of state, quoting some Constitutional Law that would be broken by all government powers be handed to the WHO, but whatever happens, it is really a speak now or forever hold your peace situation. Any letter is better than no letter. Thank you!

If not now, when? If not us, who?

In addition, just now this evening as I put these reports and communication and strategies together to see if they can help other countries, I've heard from Satriya Nusantara, Puskor Hindunesia, who we are pictured with, with the Governor of Bali, at his house, where we were invited straight after filing charges with the police. We were given tea and cake and heralded as real life heroes and lovers of Bali. The Governor sent Deva Satriya Nusantara a comprehensive letter the next day, 9th November, outlining how he understood the many dangers of a mosquito release to human health, ecology, economy and all without any consultation. He confirmed that the President endorse his notice that no release should take place until all those risks were addressed. Today (12 days later), though, he sent photos of mosquitoes where there were other releases mentioned, but not publicly confirmed. The message read,

I think we need to go back to the police station and demand answers. They haven't stopped anything, they haven't confiscated any buckets. Weird Mosquitoes are being seen around Uluwatu and Seminyak, and people are getting sick with a strange new illness that's similar to Dengue. Numbers with hospitals are still rising. We are given lip service that this has stopped and it's not".

So, you can see the challenges remain, and already new diseases that do not test positive for Dengue. This will be important when Margaret shares her work, next time, on the unsatisfactory testing WMP did to arrive at their great trial data of over 70% success.

So, I am hoping that the sharing of these detailed concerns internationally will inspire Indonesia to lead the way out from under the tyranny of criminal organizations and corrupt departments masquerading as being in public service and not for profit.

Heads of State I've written to so far. https://www.emro.who.int/countries.html

These are links for the scientific information delivered by WMP but number 5 keeps getting taken down from one platform:

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLsujNC4b3bB0cryJ5OXMjTfAQt6VsfLhl&si=JeBrts3ArN5LOTxx

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E8pjm8LTcmo

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XljQOOFV3RY

I have also attached a drafted letter, English version, to Indonesia's Head of State President Joko Widodo, whose son has confirmed that he will definitely get him to read it and acknowledge the ramifications of the WHO and IHR agreements. It might be a good generic outline of the upcoming WHO deadline, for other countries but obviously originally it was in Bahasa Indonesia. I will get the writers to send that on actually.

As far as I know, a powerful letter, I think including both the Mosquito precedent as a case, and the immediate need to reject the IHR Amendments to retain Indonesia's sovereignty of government decision making from the WHO has already been delivered. I believe it was delivered to the Chiefs of Police and the President but I'm not sure.

Everyone is concerned that just because there is a postponement, thank God, in Denpasar, there are plenty of other places who have been subjected to and are about to be subjected to mass releases. And we are all well aware that if the President does not reject the Amendments, Indonesia will have no choice, planning power or regulatory oversight of any technology that the WHO dictate.

It is more worrying In a way, now we know that it is not even an innocent well-meant mosquito release, with unknown, unpredictable and unintended consequences. The WMP's own scientists have agreed that there are known, predictable and intended consequences, including introducing more dangerous species and higher levels of sickness.

Next is today's letter I drafted to Heads of State - slightly different to the one I shared yesterday but as I said, any letter would be good and both have the template addressed to the WHO. if many registered Traditional and Natural Health Organizations and other expert medical groups petition their Heads of State, they might be galvinized into action.

For the urgent attention of (name of Head of State). Before December 1, 2023, please reject the World Health Organization's International Health Regulations Amendments, which will secretly claim sovereignty and government decision-making in (the country;s name) and in every country, on the grounds that it is for 'global health'. (country's name) was represented in the World Health Assembly (WHO &

United Nations) in Geneva by (Health Minister's name)i, as (country's) Minister for Health. He may be complicit as government health ministries have received huge sums of money called 'Pandemic Funds' to implement the WHO's dangerous health strategies. I hope though that your Minister for Health has made you aware of this deadline of the 1st December to reject the IHR Amendments.

The National Bio-Security Department, in Indonesia, investigated and stopped the release of genetically modified mosquitoes on grounds of it turning out to be a foreign agency, deploying potential bioweapons. This was after police charges were filed, and the WHO's health strategies were called into question, as the health strategies are more likely to lead to genocide, global surveillance and control.

Every country has an experience of how the WHO handled the pandemic and I noticed that (country) is currently allowing a first vaccine and or mosquito factory, which could contaminate the whole population and may intend to.

The WHO's deadly power-grab please must be addressed and stopped decisively. I enclose below the text for the formal letter you would need to send to the WHO before the 1st December to save (country).

I also enclose the letter to the United Nations that you, as Head of State, could also send, withdrawing from the International Health Regulations and the WHO Pandemic Treaty, as was sent by 11 countries. The letter states that the United Nations are only pretending that Member States have adopted the UN's new legally-binding WHO Treaty and Amendments to the International Health Regulations when, in fact, it is the opposite: There is no consensus and there has been no consultation.

The other letter document is a recent resignation letter from a senior UN official.

The government of Indonesia would both welcome and offer support in understanding the process of withdrawing from the WHO, as they currently urge Indonesia's President to act and reject the WHO IHR Amendments and Treaty, in an act of spiritual unity. Email KODIM Colonel Inf Dody Triyo Hadi kominfo@denpasarkota.go.id and Dr Siti Fadilah who was the previous Health Minister, and is acting as an international ambassador of peace in this movement sidungp@gmail.com. Thank you.

Possible template of letter to send before the 1st December, 2023, in case it is helpful:

Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus

Director-General World Health Organization

Avenue Appia 20

1211 Geneva

Switzerland

Notice to agent is notice to principal. Notice to principal is notice to agent.

Dear Director-General Ghebreyesus,

This letter is to inform you of my rejection of the amendments to the International Health Regulations that were adopted by the 75th World Health Assembly on May 27, 2022. Articles 59 and 61 of the International Health Regulations clearly specify that amendments may be rejected within 18 months of formal notification of their adoption.

I hereby REJECT these amendments and challenge the legitimacy of their purported adoption due to the fact that they were submitted in violation of Article 55 of the International Health Regulations.

These amendments were first submitted to the World Health Assembly on May 24, 2022 by Australia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Colombia, the European Union and its Member States, Japan, Monaco, the Republic of Korea, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

https://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf\_files/WHA75/A75\_ACONF7-en.pdf

The submission of these proposed amendments during the 75th World Health Assembly was in clear violation of Article 55, Section 2 of the International Health Regulations which states:

"The text of any proposed amendment shall be communicated to all States Parties by the Director-General at least four months before the Health Assembly at which it is proposed for consideration."

The International Health Regulations:

https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/246107/9789241580496-eng.pdf

The version of the amendments to the IHR that were adopted on May 27, 2022:

https://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf files/WHA75/A75 ACONF7Rev1-en.pdf

Video recording of the amendments being adopted:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M393lvg1650&t=466s

The amended Articles to the IHR:

https://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf\_files/WHA75/A75\_R12-en.pdf

The amendments were illegitimately submitted and must be treated by all states parties as being null and void.

Respectfully,

(Acting in the capacity of Head Of

State)

24th November 2023

This was sent to around 500 EU government ministers".

Last Chance to Avert an International Emergency

We humbly appeal to you, (Mr Božinovic), to ask your Head of State, to avert this international security emergency.

After the 1st December 2023, full control of your nation's biosecurity and resources will pass to the World Health Organization. You can stop this if you act now before 1st December. Please see template withdrawal/rejection letter at the end of this message.

After that date, WHO's Health Strategies will become International law. The WHO is an unelected, unaccountable organization which has negotiated unimaginably dangerous amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005) and Pandemic Treaty with your Health Minister/WHO delegate.

Perhaps this was done without informing you or your Defence Department about the misplaced power given to the WHO. Claims about the benefits of the amendments are often contradicted in the small print and are highly detrimental to your country. But you have the power to stop them.

Please watch this 6-minute video of a Swiss international lawyer, Philipp Kruse, speaking at the European Parliament on 15 July 2023. He explains the dangers of the World Health Organisation's amendments to the International Health Regulations which will overrule the constitution of any signatory country to the WHO and replace it with a totalitarian system of world control - unless action is taken.

Philipp Kruse - International Lawyer

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=07gX9IFqNRM

https://vimeo.com/888367683

The New Zealand government and several other countries have said NO to the IHR amendments before 1 December 2023. See the template letter at the end of this email.

International lawyer, Philipp Kruse, says that the changes taking place at the WHO will have the following drastic totalitarian consequences:

WHO policies will become mandatory and will overrule national constitutions and there will be no Human Rights.

The WHO will be the sole institution worldwide with the power to define the truth in health matters and censorship. [This is profoundly unscientific as the scientific method requires claims to be challenged. One can't create an accurate consensus

by silencing dissent.]

There will be no mechanism of correction, if health measures do more harm than good.

The implication of national constitutions being suspended is that when the WHO deems it to be necessary, they will have legal control of the military and police forces in member states, rather than those countries' own governments. They would be under no obligation to return that control. Other organisations are also concerned.

Please look out for a second email from us with more detailed information from international lawyer, Philipp Kruse.

You may like to use the TEMPLATE LETTER adapted from Estonia's withdrawal:

Estonia notifies WHO that it rejects the Pandemic Treaty

Appeal to Honorable Dr Tedros Adhadnom Ghebreyeses

Hereby the Republic of \_\_\_\_\_ on the basis of Article 22 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization declares that it rejects and does not consent to the international agreement on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, as well as complementary Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005) and improving the sustainability of financing WHO.

The Reasons for rejecting and not consenting are the following. According to our Constitution, treaties are only ratified and denounced by our full government, which has not passed such a resolution.

Taking into account, if necessary, any resolution which authorised another committee to negotiate on our behalf, on the international agreement on pandemic preparedness, prevention and response, as well as complementary Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005) and on improving the sustainability of financing of WHO, is therefore null and void.

Any Resolution is null and void from the moment of its adoption, in the light of this not passing before the full government.

Micklem. Frances

On behalf of a peaceful community.

#### 25th November 2023 Biodefense update:

The Realization that the Military have to be stopped for their war crimes but also for the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, through DARPA, connected to the Mosquitoes and other laboratories and un-regulated through the EPA too by, for example:

#### Anthony Ruggiero

Wrote this article claiming mis-information (just like Denpasar Implementer Chairman (Wiwied) and Manager (Becky) described the request for Due Diligence.

Anthony Ruggiero's career was from EPA (see if he was the one who re-categorized mosquitoes from health and control of diseases to under EPA regulation as 'pesticides'

Then made Director of Biodefence and Non-proliferation (to stop laboratories or individuals engineering bioweapons in large amounts) -Offensive Now has been made director of Counter-proliferation. Which is the project of engineering bioweapons in large amounts to counter/defend against an attack - Defensive.

Every mosquito, including Denpasar's is a proliferation, a mass production, of biological organisms that could be deployed by a bad agent.

In this case, the implementers of the release are the bad agents; telling ministers, governing bodies, regulatory authorities, local governments, and the public that this is a government project and strategy. Yesterday at the meeting of the following attendees, it came to light that the release is completely foreign-funded by Australia's Gillespie family. The IP Technology belongs to Australian WMP founder "Wolbachia technology was discovered by the Founder and Director of WMP Global, Prof. Scott O'Neill in 2008" https://fkkmk.ugm.ac.id/wolbachias-technological-innovation-research-is-appreciated-by-the-world/

Patent for Modified arthropod and method of use Wolbachia Technology by Scott O'Neill, founder of WMP https://patents.google.com/patent/US20110145939A1/en

Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs and National Security Council (NSC) Senior Director for Counterproliferation and Biodefense. Anthony Ruggiero advised the President, National Security Advisor, Deputy National Security Advisor, and White House leadership on a wide range of issues, including counterproliferation, weapons of mass destruction terrorism, non-proliferation, export controls, conventional arms transfers, biodefense, arms control, chemical weapons use in Syria, proliferation issues in Iran and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), Ebola outbreaks in Africa, and the COVID-19 pandemic and investigation into COVID-19 origins. Before being promoted to Senior Director for Counterproliferation and Biodefense, Anthony served as the NSC Director for North Korea.

https://govsalaries.com/ruggiero-anthony-93349115 \$222,961in 2021 at EPA

There was another article yesterday claiming that Bill Gates had dropped Malaria-infected mosquitoes as a bioweapon on Russian troops. All the countries that have resisted the WHO and the biotechnology have received retaliations of this sort.

23rd November 2023 - 10 video evidence of Genocide complicity
Plenty of Witnesses available to Richard Claproth's 10 videos on his meeting with
World Mosquito Program scientists that confirmed genocide, before they were
deleted. I sent a private link to 5 lawyers and to Childrens Health Defense:
Prof. Richard Claproth met two top scientists from the World Mosquito Program and
learnt how releases create a spike in another population, the Culex mosquito that
transmits Encephalitis. It is confirmed that 5 children got it, four are critical and one
died, and they made the quick decision to vaccinate everyone under 15. Thankfully it
was stopped. Obviously after the WHO comes into power, there will be no more
refusing their health strategies, mosquito, vaccine or mandates. I think he confirms
11 other viruses that come in on the back of the Wolbachia Mosquitoes, and two

further species, one that carries Fllarial Disease (caused by Wolbachia) and one species that creates its own raft to carry its eggs and float them on water.

There are protocols in the UK about export and import and release, such as no closer than 500ft from a watercourse, you could enlist GeneWatch UK to argue the lack of regulation, ETC Jim Thomas to explain how the mosquitoes are a gene drive (Gene drives have not been approved for open air release yet), and Jeffrey Smith of Institute for responsible technology to explain the legislative challenges of gene editing.

Also, i read that Merck were donating 100 million doses of Ivermectin to Africa, which seems like it might be connected to the release of mosquitoes as wolbachia lives in human, fish, bird parasites and is described in some papers as making tropical diseases disabling to whole populations. I don't know if the scientists explained whether it was in antibiotic culture that the mosquitoes were inseminated but even if the diseases are cured, and the parasite (round worm) burden killed, the wolbachia itself falls back into the body and is extremely dangerous and sometimes fatal. The Gain of Function, Legislative Report, Challenges of genetically engineering microbes are all on ProtectNatureNow site from the Institute For Responsible Technology. I have the GM Mosquito and Green technology draft papers that demonstrate the breadth of the genocide that these non-profit making organizations could intentionally or unintentionally bring.

I believe that the Head of State in each country will be shocked to find out how their health minister represented them in Geneva last year, as happened with Indonesia.

I have the bioweapons and nonproliferation of bioweapons understanding and even the counter proliferation of bioweapons that I discovered recently to justify more publicly funded research no doubt. I think I will find and send on the information about the head of EPA, in the US who became head of the non proliferation of bioweapons and then became head of the counter proliferation of bioweapons. And use it as a chance to question the change in regulation of Mosquitoes from CDC to EPA, the categoriation of GM mosquitoes as pesticides etc.

#### 23rd November 2023

# Draft Affidavit notes for Cases against Health Ministers/WHO delegates.

my initial research into a case against the health minister, it will be something that all countries can adapt, if they look up their health minister's representation at the Geneva May 2022. It will be easy to show the head of state that their health minister did not inform them of the extent of the loss of their decsion-making or sovereignty and how much money health ministries themselves have been promised to implement the WHO Treaty and Amended IHR Regulations. Best regards, Frances We are also working on a timeline today to put at the beginning of an affidavit. "Criminal charges against the so-called philanthropic implementers were filed on the 8th November 2023, so this means that the health minister can be found to be implicated in that criminal investigation OR civil charges OR other criminal charges. Ideas outlined below.

Second Book on Crimes - Indonesia

V11 Crimes against the safety of other persons and property
1X Perjury ad false testimony
Article 1320 of the civil code of Indonesia
Indonesia Penal code
perjury and false testimony article 242-243and article 242
art 187-206

Comparative overview of rules on criminal ministerial responsibility Procedural rules for making government ministers criminally responsible

In an extension of the police charges filed against WMP and Save the Children Fund, we bring the charge of Criminal responsibility against the Minister for Health on the following accounts:

Gene Drive:

The complexity and potential impact, decision making will involve multiple national authorities.

Following existing and legal frameworks.

Bill Gates Gene drives: The human being

It is patent for the exclusive rights to computerize the human body which will eradicate the human species and replace with digital capacity and altered DNA. WHO Gene drive:

Covid mRNA injections.

Health Strategy:

Mass implementation carrying Graphene which has altered people's blood in many ways. Now oval cells, clotted cells, radical reduction in red blood. (example of how a gene drive can pass through a population intentionally presenting differently in each person)

Definition of a Gene Drive

The altering of an organism to over ride the natural laws of inheritance so that every offspring receives the new genetic sequence used to eradicate or replace a species, possible to achieve by the WHO by declaring a pandemic and injecting all generations possible in smaller organisms as reproductive cycles are much quicker. The WHOS own stand on Gene Drives is that they should be implemented one step at a time, e.g islands rather than continents to manage the risk of spread. The Global stand on Gene Drives is that there should be a moratorium on even their research. All the dangers of Gene editing are present in Gene Drives including unpredictability, inaccuracy and possible spread in the Environment and other species. The difference with a Gene Drive is that it will definitely persist in nature permanently altering the Gene Pool even if it disrupts function that we rely on including pollination, Photo synthesis, and irreversible degradation of human health. Using the example of Wolbachia bacteria, which reproduces very fast and is a symbiotic micro organism which means that it can transfer horizontally into soil and water and needs a host. adapts to the parasites in birds, fish and humans. The recent technology funded and conducted by the WMP has been made into a Gene Drive delivering Wolbachia infection to everyone of its offspring which makes it a gene drive in practice, but this has been denied by the WMP scientists and publicity materials.

The WHO one of the funders, in keeping with their protocol have chosen several islands for this experimental health strategy including Bali, Kalimantan and the 3 other islands. All countries who have tried to develop regulation have concluded that

it is a technology that is not ready for open air release and should only be conducted in high bio security laboratories. The main funders for Gene Drive research are the military ref. Jim Thomas ETC group and like the WHO Gene Drives are promoted for and researched on grounds of Health, Climate Action, Conservation, Agriculture, Food Security, while at the same time presenting the greatest hazard to Bio Diversity and Bio Security. This WHO principle is mirrored in every product and is contrary to expert advice, concerns and independent research.

The weak science and false promotion has been lobbied to governments in the same way as the WMP and Save the Children fund has publicized the mass release of a harmless natural mosquito by a government program using Indonesian research, when in fact it's the mass release of a Wolbachia IP Technology Gene Drive without one empirical risk assessment for mosquito strategies in Indonesia (ref. Professor Michael Northcott confirmed one risk analysis using Bill Gates' Microsoft Al modelling) the impact of Gene Drives and Genetic engineering are generally agreed to be immeasurable, but the Microsoft modelling and the independent arm of the WHO both concluded that of the 50 bio hazards that they identified were all of negligible risk. The Chairman of Save the Children Fund Weided..... Bill Gates, The Health for Minister, Scott O'Neill is the founder of the WMP and owner of the Wolbachia IP technology patent which claims exclusive rights to all digital equipment. The IP Technology couples with CNN AI Technology belonging to Microsoft. None of these people are doctors or scientists and should not be allowed to be responsible for our health decisions without government oversight. They have abused the power and positions given to them. Their influence including misuse of public funds, receiving bribes, advancing profit agendas using not-for-profit facades. This goes against international law about the proliferation and deployment of Hazardous bio agents and perjury. It should alert Departments of Defense that there is already a new law, called Counter Proliferation of Bioweapons, to justify the biosafety risks of mosquito factories, and pharmaceutical laboratories. This highlights the problem of bioweapons as both an offensive and defensive weapon artillery.

Financial Due Diligence needs to be done on the WHO funders and Organization; businessmen, people in public office, and 'acting' government officials including acting Governor, acting Deputy Mayor, Acting Chairman of Save The Children Fund. The Bali Mosquito Program precedent is shown by 1) The 'acting' Governor wrote a notice, endorsed by the President, immediately following criminal charges being filed at the Bali Polda. The notice highlighted the concerns of absent safety assessment for ecology and human health, no socialization to the people, the project not being funded or managed by Indonesia and significant opposition to the release. These can be related to points of law in the Constitution that will all be ignored if the Pandemic Treaty comes into affect. It was not made public even after the postponement. Over-ruling the official Instruction by the acting Governor, the Minister for Health and earlier governor claimed Bali's Approval and a central government OUM, had already been delivered. This is against democratic decision-making as per the Constitution.

In addition, the 2017 Legislation requires that any high impact government projects must be discussed by all the Ministers in the Co-ordination committee and informed consensus reached. The WHO/UN incoming laws will over ride all Indonesian legislation and Constitution. The 'acting' Mayor has been allowed to publish and circulate further promotional material from the Minister for Health and WPM,

following the postponement, in contradiction to the Governor's statement. The news articles, intended to reach the people, including those in Bali recruited by WMP to incubate the eggs have still not been told of the risks identified with the risks. The petition for due diligence has received over 55,000 signatures and the Bali police, Intelligence, Police Health Officer all unequivocally understood that the charges filed identified the eggs, laboratories and factories as carrying foreign bio-agents that would need to be confiscated and destroyed. It was understood as a matter for national security.

It is endangering life to withhold a National Security concern from the Ministry of Defense. It is unconstitutional to not inform the public and then deny the People's Assembly or Village Heads or Priests or any affected party direct answers to questions of efficacy and safety.

The 'acting' Chairman of Save The Children, the Implementer of the Bali Program also used ignorance as defence when asked a basic scientific question and yet being referred to as liable.

No experts in Bali leading the program.

The WHO must be accused of this over-riding of due process, planning process 100 times over - proof the pandemic

The precedence for Bill Gates is his being sued for monopolising the market. Anti-competition lawsuit by the USA in 2003. Exactly the same as Microsoft now -because his technology was used in mapping, safety testing, surveillance technology and smart city internet of things processing of data collected. Behind the WHO, is this Microsoft technological control and sickness.

Precedence in UK recently when he was refused to allow the purchase of the big gaming company.

Constitution says central government can't impose on the provinces.

Specifically: Deliberation/Representation

"just and civilized Humanity, the Unity of Indonesia and a Democratic Life guided by wisdom in Deliberation/Representation, and by realizing social Justice for all the people of Indonesia."

# CHAPTER I FORM AND SOVEREIGNTY

Article 1

- (1) The State of Indonesia is a Unitary State in the form of a Republic.
- (2) Sovereignty shall be vested in the hands of the people and be executed according to the Constitution.\*\*\*)
- (3) The State of Indonesia is a state based on law. \*\*\*)

Indonesia must hold the government health minister legally responsible regulated by Indonesia's constitutional system. Ministerial criminal responsibility can be governed by ordinary criminal procedure, the ordinary public prosecutor to initiate cases and ordinary criminal courts to judge them, according to ordinary rules of criminal procedure.

The government or high court should authorize the continued investigation and stopping his active powers as health minister, since charges were filed, as it is compulsory for serious offences.

Ministers may, otherwise be held criminally responsible under procedures that are different from ordinary criminal procedure both with regard to the initiation of cases, the investigation, the composition of the court and other procedural rules. These are usually referred to as "impeachment" proceedings, and the courts sometimes as "courts of impeachment".

Special (more political) impeachment proceedings for government ministers, it is usually the rule that these only apply to offences committed in their capacity as ministers - This is the distinction between actes détachables (unconnected with the exercise of ministerial functions) and actes rattachables (criminal acts conducted in a public capacity). The last category would include for example illegally giving or withholding permissions, taking bribes, corruption in general, and offences related to failure to disclose political contributions, the diversion of public funds to private purposes, but also include harm, theft and violence directed at political opponents.

Special rules on impeachment proceedings need to cover all aspects, from the first inquiries and investigations,

the decision to initiate proceedings,

the rules on prosecution,

the composition of the court,

the rules on the procedure itself,

including the procedural rights of the defendants.

In countries with special impeachment procedures it is often for investigations with government oversight, scrutiny, special commissions of inquiry

other procedures.authorise the continuation of the procedure after accusation, which is compulsory for the most serious offences - when the penalty is at least three years),

the competence to make the decision is given to a parliamentary committee CHAPTER II

THE PEOPLE'S CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY (MAJELIS PERMUSYAWARATAN RAKYAT)

Article 2

(1) The People's Consultative Assembly consists of members of the People's Representative Council (Dewan Perwakilan Rakyat) and members of the Regional Representative Council (Dewan Perwakilan Daerah) elected through general elections and to be further regulated by laws.\*\*\*\*

The WHO May 27th 2022 contravene the Constitution of The People's Consultative Assemble as "The People's Consultative Assembly shall convene at least once in every five years in the capital of the state." The two WHO amendments were that the 18 months withdrawal period should be shortened from 18months to 10 months and the implementation period should be shortened from 2yrs to 1yr! Our constitutional processes happen every 5 years.

Treason.

Should have never committed an act of treason violation of law in the form of treason against the state, corruption, bribery, other felonies, or disgraceful acts acts; and/or the petition that the minister no longer meets the qualification as A charge of treason or of any offence against the security of the state brought against ministers needs the initiative of one quarter of the members of the corordination Dept and military and the approval of the majority thereof. The constitutional court can also be invited to give a binding opinion.

The following notes are about how criminal ministerial responsibility is handled in Europe.

The President of a Republic has the right to bring him to court to, for his representation in Geneva.

There are special rules on the competent jurisdiction to adjudicate cases of criminal ministerial responsibility. The two main categories are:

- 1. Countries with special courts of impeachment for government ministers;
- 2. Countries in which cases of criminal ministerial responsibility are brought directly before

a superior (ordinary) court.

cases of criminal liability for ministers are referred to the Court of Justice of the Republic, which consists of fifteen members: twelve Members of Parliament, elected in equal number from among their ranks by the National Assembly and the Senate, and three judges of the Cour de cassation,

five most senior judges of the Supreme Court and six representatives appointed by Parliament rights of representation, prohibition against self-incrimination, rules on evidence, presumption of innocence etc. It appears that in principle they usually apply, at least as a starting point, but that one may find a number of modifications and derogations in practice. The principle of two instances often does not apply to ministerial impeachment proceedings, where a one-instance procedure typically appears to be preferred due to the composition or the high level of the court.

bribery, corruption, or more general prohibitions against "misuse of powers", "abuse of office", "maladministration" and the like.

But breaches of the criminal code may also appear in the exercise of public office, if for example the minister is caught stealing or embezzling public funds. corruption. Another important example is the category of provisions that prohibit official "misuse of powers" or "abuse of office"

The main activities of the ECPRD involve dealing with requests from one parliament to others in the network for information which is used to compare the legislative activities and parliamentary practice across different countries and in different institutions. Apr 20, 2018

Malfeasance and nonfeasance against a person's interest; malfeasance and nonfeasance by restriction of certain rights; malfeasance and nonfeasance against public interests., misconduct in public office is a common law offence committed by a public officer acting as such who wilfully neglects to perform his/her duty and/or wilfully misconducts him/herself to such a degree as to amount to an abuse of the public's trust in the office holder"

#### 24th November 2023

My bio, thanks to Margaret, for several articles, interviews and TV appearances: "Frances worked with the Institute for Responsible Technology in 2021, on drafting and sharing legislative reports, on the challenges of regulating Gene Edited Microorganisms. Her research included the biosafety and health challenges of Gain of Function, Gene Drives, Biological Weapons, Green Technologies, Carbon Capture and Storage, gene edited Ingredients in food and Agriculture, GE Mosquitoes, GM Trees. The risks of even one modified microorganism persisting in Nature and inadvertently editing the fungal, bacterial and viral microbiomes on which life depend were found to be very high. The main challenge to regulation was Intellectual Property privacy, to protect military and trade value, while making public or independent risk assessment impossible. Governments had been lobbied, by the Pharmaceutical and Biotech Industry to grant exemptions from risk assessing genetically engineered organisms as invasive species. Environmental protection agencies were told to use old chemical contamination protocols instead, which do not take into account the spread of living organisms. Infant genetic engineering technologies, including CRISPR and micro-injection were promoted as natural and non-GMO."

Professor Richard Claproth's Bio, again thanks to Margaret, who sees the importance of establishing credibility:

"Richard Claproth received a PhD in Earth Science from the University of Wollongong, Australia . He also completed a Post-graduate Fellowship at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University and he was appointed Assistant Coordinating Minister for Economics, Finance and Industry, and became Deputy Coordinating Minister for Economics, Finance and Industry. After returning from the United States, where he was a visiting Professor for Economics in the Post Graduate Program of the International Economics Graduate School at Brandeis University, he served as Secretary to the Minister for State-Owned Enterprises (MSOE) and also served as a member of State Defense Institute Economics Team (Lemhanas). In 2005 he was appointed Commissioner of Bank Mandiri. He has been received a number of honors in the course of his service with the Indonesian government, including the Satya Lencana Karya Satya 10 Tahun in 1993, the Satya Lencana Wira Karya in 1996 and the Bintang Jasa Pratama in 1998. He is the Founder of Forum Gladiator Bangsa, with a mission to share experiences from global leaders to nurture future leaders in Indonesia and worldwide."

26th November - Update on bad news and good news in regard to the release and criminal charges:

The police got our telephone numbers off us on some pretext, which allowed them to investigate and trace our work but did not do anything about investigating the foreign-funded and therefore illegal mass mosquito release.

The scientists at any of the meetings did not attempt to answer the due diligence questions about the comparison between the trials and the Bali release. They have all received them though. Their only answer was their results were a 'promising' success and that our concerns were invalid by rejecting our claim that gene editing is in fact Genetic Modification and Wolbachia IP Technology is in fact a monitoring system that they did not disclose.

The majority of the questions do not depend on proving they are GMO or not. No one has been able to answer any of the 86 questions, all equally critical to any safety analysis of such a release.

Richard met with WMP scientists and shared information in videos about 11 additional diseases injected into eggs and the routine spike in the Encephalitis-carrying Culex species, after releases of Wolbachia-Infected Aedes Aegypyti. And how authorities had tried to mandate a vaccine then for children for Japanese Encephalitis. That was after a release of 40,000. Bali had two cities faced with 200 million breeding mosquitoes each.

We saw the parallel for all disease spreading by the WHO, followed by vaccine mandating that will happen if the WHO come into world power.

Then postponement was confirmed but no confiscation of the eggs, despite all departments being informed that it was likely they would release the eggs anyway, or move them or sell them if they were not seized for our own analysis.

Unclosed releases are indeed what seems to have happened and it was confirmed that our Intelligence minister and Culture minister facilitated the import of this highly-invasive species, despite strict rules on any other small import of non-native plant seeds, even.

# The Spiritual sanction for our work and case

Bali Solidarity raised money to buy supplies for 40 families and Margaret brought them and us to Basaki Temple. It raised great hope when the Mangkus unanimously supported us and sent a formal letter to WMP and the government saying no to the mosquitoes or GMOs of any sort on Bali, saying that it was the 'Island of the Gods, not the island where they could play God". Furthermore the Mangkus received a message from the gods during our visit, that our intention to protect Bali and Indonesia was specifically blessed and would be successful. The three Gods of these temples, Bhrahma of Creation, Vishnu Sustenance and Shiva Transformation, destruction and rebirth let it be know that, as long as we apologized for allowing these instruments of destruction in to destroy Nature and as long as we acted in time to protect Nature from the upcoming disrespectful rule of the World Health Organization, it was promised that we would be successful, safe and all previous damage to our bodies and environment would be transmuted and returned to their structural integrity - which is why I made the Appeal to the Swiss Federal Supreme Court to decide that all territories and jurisdictions should be returned to their organic status and the administrative, economic and military bodies be dismantled and their assets seized for compensation (Appeal Filed by hand on 10th April 2024).

# 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023

<u>Draft Letter to Indonesia's President asking him to Reject the International Health</u> Regulation Amendments, as Head of State

Urgent President Joko Widodo, ADDRESS

Dear President Widodo,

We call upon you, as Head of State, to exercise your authority under Article 61 of the International Health Regulations (IHR) to send an official notice to REJECT THE AMENDMENTS that significantly shorten the time period the Indonesian government will have, to reject the next batch of amendments, and the next, into the future. They were adopted at the 75th World Health Assembly on May 27, 2022, which was 18 months ago. The International Health Regulations gave countries 18 months to reject the Amendments, so now you have less than two weeks, until 1st December 2023, to take immediate action - we have attached a template to help carry out this crucial decision as eleven other countries have recently done.

Were you aware that last May, the Health Minister went to the Geneva World Health Assembly and recommended adopting these Health Regulation Amendments as a business strategy?

(https://www.un.org/en/about-us/member-states/indonesia). Did the Health Minister have approval from you? Have the many changes to the International Health Regulations and WHO Agreement been passed by the Coordination Department, as these will drastically limit other departments and decision-making after the December1st 2023?

You have recent experience of this, as the Ministry of Health approved the World Mosquito Program as a health strategy, without informing the Coordination Department (breach of 2017 legislation) or the country, which has created an uproar and a split. If you do not reject these amendments in time, then there will be no opportunity to do due diligence on the efficacy, safety, national security or financial vested interests, of any future health strategies implemented by the foreign, unelected body, the WHO. Indonesia's own governance will lose all choice as everything that the Health Minister has agreed with the World Health Organization and United Nations will become legally binding.

The Police Special Intelligence committed to destroying the mosquito eggs, when charges were filed that they contained surveillance-technology. Wolbachia IP Technology coupled with Microsoft CNN AI was mentioned in the Ministry of Health's Scale Up report, but the mosquitoes had been falsely publicized as completely 'natural'. We are in danger of blindly walking into a massive proliferation, deployment and threat of biotechnology.

You have the authority, as Head of State, to make this decision, simply by sending a formal notice to the Director General of the WHO and the President of the United Nations, as did Belarus, Bolivia, Cuba, North Korea, Eritrea, Iran, Nicaragua, Russia, Syria, Venezuela and Zimbabwe recently, having realized the ramifications. Although Indonesia was one of the first countries to sign up, you as President have the power to stop it. There are questions that can be answered afterwards about the legitimacy and legality of the International Health Regulations themselves.

We implore you to take the action that is needed right now and please take another bold step to protect Indonesian people, environment, economy and sovereignty. Respectfully,

BEFORE the deadline of December 1, 2023.

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https://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf\_files/WHA75/A75\_18-en.pdf (page 12) The amendment to Article 59 serves no legitimate health- related purpose. It will not improve the health, nor will it enhance the safety of any man or woman. The primary purpose of the amendment to Article 59 is to reduce the time to reject the next round of amendments that are being negotiated in secret by the Working

Group for amendments to the International Health Regulations. When the original package of amendments was rejected, a second, smaller and DIFFERENT package of amendments in violation of Article 55 of the IHR were submitted:

The second package of amendments that were submitted:

https://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf\_files/WHA75/A75\_ACONF7-

en.pdf The submission of these proposed amendments was in clear violation of Article 55, Section 2 of the International Health regulations which states: "The text of any proposed amendment shall be communicated to all States Parties by the Director-General at least four months before the Health Assembly, at which it is proposed for consideration.

The final version of the amendments that were adopted on May 27, 2022: https://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf\_files/WHA75/A75\_ACONF7Rev1-en.pdf

Video recording of the amendments being adopted:

http://youtube.com/watch?v=M3931vq1650&t=466s

The amended Articles to the IHR, as they will be if they are not rejected by December 1, 2023.

https://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf\_files/WHA75/A75\_R12-en.pdf

The International Health Regulations:

https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/246107/9789241580496-eng.pdf

https://mail.yahoo.com/d/folders/1 The 11 countries that rejected

# 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Wolbachia-Infected Mosquitoes and Military Involvement (1):

**Urgent: WHO's Protracted Crisis Website** 

I discovered a WHO/Armed Forces website repeatedly noting Save The Children Fund as coordinators involved in policing protracted crises.

Sent to our lawyer to prove militarization and weaponisation of Health:

"I was looking for offices of the navy army and airforce as their power will be superseded too. And that's when I found a WHO Indonesian Armed Forces website, with many unpopulated pages but 5 or 6 went to Save The Children Fund - who we filed police charges against in Bali.

https://extranet.who.int/emt/principle-options/organization-complies-principle?page=26

It connected Slovakia, Japan, and by today more pages seem to have been populated. with other countries.

Richard did a preliminary analysis which I also attach explaining how the website seems to be the infrastructure for WHO to implement protracted crises and emergency measures. Where each page claimed that the principle has been agreed with a lesser official, some of whom Richard knew... Today, I didn't see so many emails and names of these lesser officials, who claim they have the authority to make this agreement ,but at the top of each page it now says instead the organization name and then 'complies with this principle'

Then Richard found this article showing an OUM (official undertaking memorandum?) Then he found the agreement between the defence and health ministers and WHO

director general. https://www.who.int/indonesia/news/detail/15-11-2022-the-republic-of-indonesia-and-who-agree-to-strengthen-health-emergency-operational-readiness-and-emergency-medical-teams-in-countries#:~:text=Bali

Then I found a question mark over the legitimacy of the Defence minister https://thediplomat.com/2021/06/assessing-prabowo-subiantos-defense-diplomacy/ Can lawyers assess whether this is proof that the WHO do intend to decide protracted crises and emergency health measures and decisions never return to the individual countries because it is such a good market. Can they assess standing of their health ministers and defence ministers? Can anybody get this concern out?

"The vaccination turned out to be the greatest blessing for the money and world's elites, for the pharmaceutical industry and politics. They could pursue their own interests, under the common slogan "Everything for public health", "everything for the well-being of the general public". To achieve this goal, they created the WHO. This non-democratically elected people, basically a private association that is in the process of gaining power over the healthcare system in the 190 Member States" Prof. Dr. Sucharit Bhakdi

I put this quote to connect to the mosquitoes which are another market boom that is for 'public health' by not for profits'

Thank you for asking for my bioweapons reports. I attach my Bioweapons weapons presentation for when I was speaker at the first Gladiator Bangsa webinar and my drafts of Bioweapons, Mosquitoes as Bioweapons, Mosquitoes from a microbial perspective and Dangers of 'Green' Technology Paper with notes sent to Indonesia's Kodim and acknowledged.

WHO treaty draft. sustainability = sustaining WHO funding for pandemic preparedness which = the blatant proliferation of gene-edited bio agents either released into the environment or directly injected into us, all approved by the WHO, with no scientific study allowed as gene sequences will not be allowed in the public domain, and WHO 'recommendations' will soon be 'law'.

I think this WCH article is the best summation of the project so far although I think there's a longer one that includes Professor Michael's symposium presentation. Secondly, there is this interview with Sarah Westall, where Richard explains the genocide - I sent you the link to his videos on this meeting of his with the World Mosquito Program senior Researchers before.

Shining A Spotlight on The World Mosquito Program in Indonesia, with Sarah Westall

https://worldcouncilforhealth.substack.com/p/world-mosquito-program?fbclid=IwAR0EpIv9UrMOye2i4C65WGjlxFWcJvTCHOKKquxlGvJbfqPV0alRG9C6-FQ

WHO & Gates Unleash Millions of Mosquitos in 12 Unsuspecting Countries https://sarahwestall.com/who-gates-unleash-millions-of-mosquitos-in-12-unsuspecting-countries/?fbclid=lwAR2XWFqcxEROZfbAnafGLhaz2U4eL7Vtue-84yM8bsC3SNY1gfEVKL0DmcY

#### 29th November ARPA-H -

"Integrated health that involves diagnosing and treating illness remotely through biotech already inserted into the population". Further proof of the criminality of the Military, pharmaceutical and government corporate bodies. https://arpa-h.gov/research-and-funding#proactive-health

#### 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023

Wolbachia-Infected Mosquitoes and Military Involvement (2):

Analysis of WHO and TNI Relations

By: Richard Claproth

The World Health Organization (WHO) has released intriguing information on its website regarding the involvement of the Indonesian National Armed Forces (TNI). The link to TNI information on the WHO site raises questions about the relationship between this global health organization and the Indonesian military.

Information on the WHO Site: On April 7, 2019, the WHO site listed Indonesian military contacts, notably Colonel Tjahja Nurrobi, who served as the Chief of Cooperation and Medical Civic Mission Unit. This raises the question: why appoint military contacts to represent WHO, especially when they are not the primary decision-makers? Dr. RM Tjahja Nurrobi, leads the Integrated Health Services Division at the TNI Health Center with the rank of Navy Colonel and is also a permanent lecturer at the Indonesian Defense University (UNHAN).

Another operational contact, Captain Soni Lasmana, from the Navy of the Indonesian Armed Forces Headquarters, serves as the Staff of the Surgeon General of the Indonesian Armed Forces. The WHO site also provides information on "protracted crises," highlighting incidents that are chemical, biological, radiological, or nuclear (CBRN) in nature. "Protracted crises" refer to difficult situations that persist or last for an extended period. In the WHO context, Captain Soni Lasmana is involved in protracted crises, including CBRN events, indicating a focus on incidents that may last a long time.

This information may be related to international cooperation or sharing information related to medical and health activities. However, considering the cunning modus operandi of the World Mosquito Program (WMP), such as the operation in Bali to release 200 million mosquitoes, it needs to be monitored by the Indonesian Intelligence Agency (BAIS) and the National Intelligence Agency (BIN). The following is a thought simulation of a fasting scientist critically thinking about WHO information and its relationship with national intelligence agencies, and this information is of a simulated nature.

In the context of a national security simulation related to biological threats, several possibilities can be considered:

- Military Involvement in Health Emergencies:
- Military contacts, such as Colonel Tjahja Nurrobi and Captain Soni Lasmana, in medical missions and civil citizenship contexts indicate the possibility of collaboration between the military and the health sector. This may aim to respond to health emergencies, including biological threats.
- The question is, what is the TNI's stance on Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes?
  - Coordination of Preparedness and Response:

- Military forces are often involved in national preparedness and response efforts, including those related to biosecurity. Their involvement may focus on coordinating medical missions, deploying personnel, and managing logistics in the face of biosecurity threats.
  - The question is, why is the TNI silent?
  - Interagency Collaboration:
- Collaboration between the military and health organizations, as indicated by contacts on the WHO site, may reflect efforts to enhance interagency collaboration. This is crucial to responding to biosecurity threats by leveraging the strengths and resources of different sectors.
- The question is, why was this information not anticipated, especially when BAIS and BIN were informed beforehand and remained silent?
  - Sharing Information for Global Health Security:
- The presence of this information on the WHO site may indicate a commitment to transparency and international cooperation in the realm of global health security. Sharing details about key contacts and coordination points can facilitate a rapid and coordinated response to emerging health threats.
- The question is, has the TNI examined genetically modified mosquitoes from the perspective of national defense and security? Why did the TNI not question BIN, which allowed the import of mosquito eggs from Australia?
  - Dual-Use Capability:
- Military organizations often have dual-use capabilities, meaning they can contribute to both defense and civilian purposes. In the context of biosecurity, this may involve utilizing military infrastructure and expertise for public health purposes.
- The question is, regarding Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes, why hasn't the TNI taken a stance?
  - Enhanced Monitoring and Supervision:
- Military involvement in biosecurity includes enhanced monitoring and supervision capabilities. The military can play a role in monitoring and securing borders to prevent the spread of biological threats.
- Given the dissemination of information about the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes without involving the TNI, what is the TNI's stance?

Overall, the presence of military contacts in the biosecurity context can indicate a comprehensive and collaborative approach to addressing potential threats. This emphasizes the importance of coordinated efforts across various sectors to protect national security from biosecurity challenges.

Additional questions arise: Why does the military remain silent in the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes? Is it because there is an order from the WHO to remain silent? These questions involve policy aspects and may be related to specific contexts. However, in many cases, government decisions or health institutions' decisions to involve or not involve the military in health initiatives, such as the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes, may be influenced by specific considerations. Some factors that can influence these decisions include:

- Public Health Expertise and Involvement:
- Health initiatives are often managed by departments or public health institutions with specialized expertise in the field. The military may not always be the most suitable body to handle specific health issues. If yes, how prepared is the TNI to face bioweapon threats?
  - Utilization of Military Resources:
- Careful consideration of military resource utilization. In the context of releasing Wolbachia mosquitoes, if the military has the capability or resources that can help, they may be involved. However, this decision will depend on national strategy and health policies. The situation is urgent because mosquitoes have already been released. Why hasn't the TNI taken a stance?
  - Coordination between the Health Sector and Military:
- Coordination between the health sector and the military can be a crucial factor. In some cases, health initiatives may involve cooperation and coordination between different institutions. Has this coordination been done with the Minister of Health, Minister of Manpower, Minister of Tourism, Minister of Environment, Minister of National Development Planning (Bappenas), Minister of Defense, BAIS, and BIN? The leadership of the new TNI leaders is being tested here.
  - Approval and Legal Regulations:
- Approval and legal regulations may govern the military's role in public health activities. The decision to involve or not involve the military may be influenced by the applicable legal framework. Why hasn't the TNI used this right?
  - Consultation with International Organizations:
- In some cases, governments may consult with international organizations such as the WHO to seek guidance or approval before involving the military in public health activities. If this is done, our country's sovereignty has already been taken over by the WHO. Did the TNI let that happen?
  - Public Perception:
- Public perception of the military's role in health initiatives can also play a role. The government may consider public response to the military's presence in the health context. However, the people are eagerly awaiting a firm stance from the TNI. When will that firmness be announced to the public?

Although orders or guidance from the WHO may be a crucial factor in decision-making, this is not a reason for the TNI Commander to remain silent. Why?

The country is in a critical situation!

1st December 2023

Original plan to Ireland's Finance Minister to establish public banks. Now it has been put to the Federal Supreme Court to expel the WEF and other defendants from Switzerland and pay the Compensation directly to the people through public banks. The ministers, Paschal Donohoe and Leo Varadka treasonously sold Ireland's water

resource to the central bank for a poultry 8 billion instead. Within 2 weeks of my proposal to make Ireland's plentiful water the golden peg and standard for public banks.

This proposal was written in consultation with monetary reform expert and retired US Treasury Analyst, Richard C. Cook. (Author of a six part series: "Credit As A Public Utility" and the book: We Hold These Truths, The Hope of Monetary Reform). He wrote a UBI implementation policy for America's Green Party 10 years ago, called The Cook Plan.

Mr. Cook has developed the following plan adapted to Ireland, on request from Frances Micklem at Harmony Hall Think Tank, with whom he has been able to explore all the existing economic, agricultural, social and pandemic-related challenges here in Ireland and assess the risks and benefits of using existing infrastructure, benefits system and banking institutions.

He found that the UBI must be implemented through a new Public Bank, and we have outlined how that bank can be capitalized, immediately and going forwards, to restore local economies, rather than increasing the national debt.

Capitalizing The Bank, building trust in green economics and illustrating the benefits to all of green policies.

We propose three initial ways to capitalize the public bank/community bank or what we have called the Sustainability Bank. The first two sources are front-running Green Party proposals already. In addition to capitalization, initial administrative costs would be met from the state budget.

# 1) The Carbon Tax

Firstly, the ring-fenced carbon tax. The benefit and necessity of a bank structure, to this proposal, is that a bank, by definition, can lend multiple times more money than it has in reserve. A reserve ratio of six to one to eight to one is recommended. If the carbon tax were put into the Sustainability Bank, it would effectively multiply the bank's spending and lending power to the community. As its loans are repaid in full the actual reserves of the bank remain stable.

By using a portion of the reserve for administrative costs, once the bank is established, interest-free loans could be offered to sustainable initiatives starting up again or new. This would include sustainable farming serving local markets. In Germany, for example, the commercial banks have only 12% of the market. Here in Ireland, 99% of mortgages and 95% of small business loans are with our five commercial banks. An estimated 40% of the cost of European goods is to pay interest to banks and other parts of the global financial system. Implementation of a public Sustainability Bank would cut out the expenses of bank interest for small farms/growers/services and local market economies. Building local communities would reduce destructive emissions from transporting, while also building food security and monitoring bigger polluters. Customers of this bank would have this monitoring and responsibility function, as they would all have invested in the Sustainability Charter and would be keen to expose industry emissions noncompliance.

Government must detail further toxic and wasteful activities to which the carbon tax will soon apply. For example, use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides, manufacture and sale of products containing microplastics, excessive use or contamination of fresh water and automation in large food plants – I refer to Pasta Concepts that I know of but it is commonplace – that produce over a tonne of pasta every lunch time that is wasted as they leave the machines running but all take a lunch break simultaneously. Also limitation of run-off from intensive farms, if accounted for, would encourage a reduction in herd numbers and exploitation.

In addition to taxation, there must be a clear ban on the import of products by supermarkets, which have been produced using substances banned here in Ireland or our farmers will continue not to stand a chance of selling their harvested crops.

Re. the Carbon Dividend Policy: Meat exporters should not have their carbon tax rebated as soon as they have a customer receipt outside the state (The Carbon Dividend Policy currently suggests this in a foot note on the first page.), as it is promoting export which the party is trying to stop. Only individuals should be considered for concessions and rebates, not businesses. Businesses and corporations will pass on their extra carbon costs to the consumer anyway. If the tax works and emissions are reduced, the bank structure will ensure that the public Sustainability Bank is still making money, through its other functions and because dividends aren't reduced as less carbon tax becomes payable.

# 2) Welfare and Covid-19 Emergency Payments

The second way of capitalizing the public Sustainability Bank is by the welfare and emergency payments. To shift them into a UBI payment, they should be paid, from the start, to recipients throughthe public bank. This would ensure another large investment; several hundred thousand passing through the new bank each week. All payments should stand at €350 a week across the board. This guarantees a massively positive association in people's minds that the Green Party's UBI and carbon tax plan succeeded in substantially raising their benefits and quality of life.

The UBI can then actually be described and seen asthe dividend that government has talked of that every citizen will receive. Not a little bit here and there, but the Green Party will have facilitated a reliable unconditional basic income, considerably greater than current Job Seekers allowance and valuing all citizens equally, while giving them the chance to build self-sufficiency, subsistence and community-living, care and service into their post-Covid working lives.

So first, we must get legislation in place for the public Sustainability Bank. There is no time to waste, as many experts believe the economic recession resulting from the pandemic will have severe and long-lasting effects on all nations, including the EU and US. To meet an uncertain future without plunging into massive debt and mortgaging its future for decades, Ireland needs the public Sustainability Bank, the UBI, and food and water security to be in place immediately.

Nor will the Irish taxpayer have to bail out the five "pillar banks" again, from whom we will otherwise have had to borrow 3 billion at high interest rates, as has been proposed as a recovery plan. We also explain how quantitative easing is still a

version of commercial banking (as is the State-owned Corporate Strategic Bank started in 2015) and how massive borrowing in the global commercial marketplace will devastate Ireland's future. In fact, Ireland is facing national bankruptcy if we must mortgage our future to the global financial system just to get over the pandemic.

Additionally, the public Sustainability Bank will quickly have the ability to aid sustainable projects to recover and finance new enterprises for people, unable to return to the workforce, with a basic income. This will also allow Ireland to move toward food self-sufficiency, with a target of 75%.

A public Sustainability Bank doesn't depend on pure credit, lending and interest but is rooted in Ireland's real resources of land and water. The bank charter would include how loan decisions should be based on preservation, food security, sustainable production facilities, services and skills. Therefore it will support productivity and/or reduction in harmful activities/materials.

3) Water, land and skilled labour as reserve basis for the Sustainability Bank. A crucial proposition we have made is to include water as a reserve basis for the Sustainability Bank. It plays across the broad macro economics of food supply, within which access to clean sustainable water supply is recognized as a crucial resource dependence. In leveraging this theme to the maximum, we have started to articulate how a public Sustainability Bank would leverage water as a collateral / asset base in the proposal, for coastal, rural and city dwellers.

Thus there will be less and less need for people or the government to borrow from commercial banks and increase our debt, thereby risking Ireland's future for generations to come.

Please do not hesitate to ask any questions or to arrange a meeting with Mr. Cook. He is willing to work with us every step of the way, in understanding all aspects of the plan and any concerns. He would help build an understanding of how it fits in to the current economic situation here in Ireland and how it can be implemented, without directly interfering with the work of the main banks and industries which can continue business as usual as best they can.

This will be a bailout for the people and the system change we need, based on Ireland's real resources. The Sustainability Bank and UBI also offer a commitment to helping the recovery from the pandemic, without pushing our financial and climate change difficulties down the road by increasing our national debt.

#### 1st December 2023

First Notice served on Tedros Ghebreyesus, head of the WHO Forwarded to the lead lawyer who is holding the WHO to account in Switzerland and helping many others, with a consideration of the lawful jurisdiction held by men and women.

#### Dear Philip.

I am a friend of Peter Ganze and I thank you both for the formal letter you composed for Indonesia to alert Heads of State to their opportunity and need to reject the International Health Regulation Amendments. It was sent to over 1000 ministers.

Yesterday, I also served notice on Tedros Ghebreyesus. I hope my scientific due diligence questions will be another strand to your legal case. It was sent to about 460 officials and all the scientists at the WHO office in Geneva, who I looked up, as member states would expect to receive our answers from them. The head scientist is Sir Jeremy Farrah, Wellcome Trust who gave Oxitec Mosquitoes 6.8 million during the lockdown, 2021.

The precedent I used was the criminal charges filed against the Mosquito Program and Save The Children Fund here in Bali, so I sent it to the local stake holders of that program too, as well as the Indonesia's National Defence, Health and Presidential ministry officials, plus all the Heads of State in other countries, to whom I had sent earlier recommendations to withdraw from the WHO. I also sent it to government ministers and MEPs, from all over the world, many from Ireland, where I lived in private in my off-grid, bioarchitecture, vegan organic-registered think tank and energy centre.

I corrected my status to living woman in 2021, signing Harmony Hall off the national land registry and submitting my own Deeds of Allodial Rights to public record. I also signed off the voting register, in recognition that men and women stand above public servants in the Constitution. This means, as you will know, that it wouldn't be right for me to attend court when this case is heard and decided. I will happily make a statement, especially if it is outlined what exactly would be most useful. Furthermore, Margaret Denmead and the Bali Solidarity group who researched and are fighting for justice against the Bali Mosquito release, wider threats of mass releases and the WHO, are very keen to help you and the 12 MEPs in any way they can. It was this group that got your letter to a list of 1600 ministers and ambassadors to alert them of the IHR rejection deadline.

I will cc this message to Professor Richard Claproth, richardclaproth@gmail.com, (whose background includes posts as Deputy Coordinating Minister for Economics, Finance and Industry, serving as Secretary to the Minister for State-Owned Enterprises and member of the State Defense Institute Economics Team) who, with Gladiator Bangsa, filed the criminal case with the police, in Bali. He is prepared and determined with the scientific, social, and political knowledge to give evidence and or bring a legal challenge ourselves.

Centrally, i think we can prove that the WHO Treaty breaches the International Treaty on The Non Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction. Anthony Ruggerio, in America was head of EPA, then head of Non-proliferation of Bioweapons and then head of the Counter Proliferation of Bioweapons, demonstrating how regulatory approvals and justifications have now come to allow massive research and factory facilities to house colonies of hundreds of millions of stabilized organisms, ready to deploy as eggs and drugs.

It may be easier to argue that even biotechnology that is researched for the benefit of world health carries incalculable counter-indications with other technologies and our microbiome. This means that all the technologies in agriculture, food, conservation, climate action, pharmacueticals and communications have already triggered mass destruction in nature. The independent scientists, you might need,

work with Jeffrey Smith, Institute For Responsible Technology, on their 25 year' GMO and Gene-editing protection campaign. The international expert on wifi and EMF technology's degradation on human health and the environment is Diarmaid Mulcahy diarmaid51@gmail.com (Whose background involves Government reform, international marine, agricultural organic inputs, water resources, further focus on refugee/humanitarian needs, environmental issues, international development and social justice, main focus Africa and EU, Green Party Pollicy Council Chairman and MEP candidate against unregulated 5G).

Wishing you the very best of luck,

## 3 Notices served on the WHO and WEF et al

Notice 1) to Reject the Amendments and discard the Treaty, unless the following questions can be adequately answered:

Appellant versus the defendants: In earlier instance:

Notice 1) Conditional Acceptance served on the WHO, WEF and all Implementers: Due Diligence questions on the Scientific Foundation. 30th November 2023 Notice 2) Cease and Desist Retaliation and other penalties deployed in response to our Achieving a Postponement of the mass release: 6th December 2023 Notice 3) Personal liability and Intention to Prosecute 13th-22nd March 2024 Notice to Reject the Amendments and discard the Treaty, unless the following questions can be adequately answered and specifically the question: Do the Pandemic Treaty's Prevention, Preparedness and Response Principles of researching, producing and scaling up technologies contravene the International Treaty Prohibiting the Non-Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction. We write in honour as men and women of the WHO Member States to the man, Tedros Ghebreyesus, acting as Director General of the World Health Organization, the world authority on international health. We respectfully ask you to share the scientific foundation of the WHO Treaty and IHR Amendments.

The format of these questions is to establish:

The ways in which the Science behind the Pandemic Treaty, is the same as the science with which the World Health Organization carefully handled the Covid 19 Pandemic.

Furthermore, we request the most rigorous scientific papers that substantiate WHO's safety and efficacy claims and approvals. We ask that they be issued to the individual men and women who will be responsible in governments mandating community uptake and medicine adherence, and those who work in health care, administering mandated pharmaceutical products, including vaccines? We also ask that this complete and exhaustive presentation be made to the NGO's that are implementing WHO health strategies without any grasp of the risks and ramifications of proposed measures such as boosters, lockdowns, social distancing, masks, PCR testing, mass mosquito releases, aerosol and smart technologies, and artificial technology monitoring, modelling and mapping, and to which parties data will be available to? The NGO implementers are already providing a human shield for WHO delegate and WHO strategies.

Is it only each country's health minister who will be directly able to attend discussions or vote at the World Health Assembly?

Is it through this one delegate that all public money and pandemic fund will be dedicated to supporting the implementation of the WHO Treaty, and possibly away

from other beneficial infrastructure?

Why have the military been enlisted to police 'protracted crises' and receive training in this? the corporate social responsibility of producers for the WHO's supply chain, critical links to correction processes, like compensating countries when the WHO does harm and liability? First of all, are both pharmaceutical producers and the World Health Assembly fully indemnified if there is wide scale damage to the environment or loss of life? Will governments be able to use Pandemic Fund money to address damages?

There are competent authorities in all member states who want to grasp the scientific detail of the WHO's One Health security technologies and biotechnologies and their interaction. We are becoming aware that this analysis of the interaction between several technologies is in fact impossible. We the people are concerned that many individual elements of technological innovation have already been produced and utilised in medical, food, agriculture, conservation, military and surveillance contexts, in good faith, but as dangerous interactions emerge, as with chemicals, the pandemic prevention, preparedness and response technologies may later be recognised as multiple elements of one weapon of mass destruction that has unintentionally been launched.

All these technologies, including green technologies, are beyond human understanding, and therefore should be renamed red technologies, as warnings about unforeseeable counter-indications, as they start to affect our breathing, vision, heart and other functions. We humbly ask the WHO to comment on the body of knowledge that makes up these concerns linking GMOs to the degradation of health and harmony, and to commit to the cautionary principle in approving the introduction of more.

You will understand, at once, that all responsible governments will need to justify WHO emergency measures, including losses of freedom to make a living, travel, or look after their dependents and justify the over-ruling of rights to bodily integrity and existing health protections and medical models, with the WHO's inclusion of biotechnology in mandated injections for Health Certification, or the mass release of mosquitoes.

Unfortunately there has already been criminal charges brought against two charities, World Mosquito Program and Save The Children fund, the implementers of a WHOapproved deployment of Wolbachia Mosquito eggs in Bali. The investigation by Police, National Security and Immigration span misleading and false advertising, by the World Mosquito Program, as a government program using a natural mosquito, when it turned out to be 100% foreign-funded, with considerable payments paid to stake holders to allow the release. Furthermore it was admitted that the mosquitoes are gene-edited to include patented Wolbachia IP Technology which will pass to all future generations, which make their release a gene drive technology, an infringement of privacy, a bio attack to introduce undisclosed artificial intelligence capacity and a Gain of Function by the micro injection of a bacteria that the species released does not naturally carry. Finally, senior World Mosquito Program researchers admitted that following the release of Wolbachia Aedes Aegypti, there was a huge spike in another species Culex which transmitted up to 11 new viruses including Japanese Encephalitis, which children then contracted and an immediate vaccine of all children under 15 was proposed. The scientists knew this, but did not declare it, which is a cause for concern when risks of fatalities, associated with a health strategy are recorded but not declared.

Member states would be encouraged if they were able to read the WHO's review of its advice to Member States. Finally to meet the scientists in both the constructing of the Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and response plan, and also the scientists, sociologists, bioethics experts who make up the Independent arm of the World Health Organization who will conduct future Risk Analyses on health strategies that are to be made law. Would they like to provide assurance that independent studies will be welcomed and open science practiced?

"GMO Regulatory and Legislative Outlook REPORT"

https://protectnaturenow.com/pdfviewer/legislative-report/

Further questions

A. Vaccination

Do mRNA vaccines require gene editing?

Does Gain of Function research require Gene Editing?

Does the study of Potential Pandemic Pathogens require gene editing

Are gene edited products regulated differently to genetically modified organism? Why? Is gene editing considered more safe, natural, precise or predictable? "Genetically Modified Microbes: Technological and Legislative Challenges and

National Security Implications" https://protectnaturenow.com/pdfviewer/gmm-executive-summary/

How does the WHO's safety testing and approval rules of gene edited bacteria and other microbes, which can spread, differ from the testing of chemicals, which containment are possible?

Please share the WHO's policies on clinical trials using animals in vivisection, human trials ad open air trials of agricultural and climate action 'green' technologies? Does the WHO plan to implement more than one technology at the same time, for example Wi-Fi technology for biosecurity and a national vaccination program, as a pandemic preparedness or emergency measure?

How have the WHO's scientists tested the interactions between different technologies for counter-indications to human health?

Has the definition of a vaccine been changed?

Does it now include a gene therapy that generates an immune response?

During the Covid 18 pandemic emergency response did the WHO record any risks associated with the vaccines' interaction with the human body?

Could these all be attributed to underlying issues?

Were some previously healthy people affected in different ages groups?

How did the WHO's researchers decide when to recommend vaccination for different age groups?

Have the WHO identified ways to reduce adverse events in future national and international vaccine roll outs? Please include the mitigation of risks.

What is the process that national governments can enter into, to stop a national health measure being implemented, following an unexpected harmful consequence?

We didn't have a chance to prevent the Covid 19 pandemic. What new strategies does the WHO Treaty propose in order to prevent a future pandemic? Please share the science these are based on? Will Potential pandemic pathogens be created in labs in order to look at diseases that could happen in nature?

"Gain of Function Research And The Risk Of The Next Pandemic"

https://protectnaturenow.com/pdfviewer/gain-of-function-research-executive-summary/

Will Potential pandemic pathogens be created in labs in order to look at diseases

that could happen in nature?

These are known as gain of function research, aren't they?

Does this means that scientists use gene editing to give an existing pathogen either higher transmissibility or make them more lethal?

How does the WHO decide whether to make a disease more transmissible or more lethal or sometimes both?

Please can you show the WHO's criteria for which research to sponsor for pandemic preparedness?

Is research assessed and proposed by the WHO or are research projects proposed by researchers?

What is your biosafety standard for laboratories?

Will the WHO continue to open fund research projects in universities?

Whose idea were mass releases of mosquitoes?

B. National Biosafety

How do university laboratories contain gene-edited microbes and larger organisms? How will bio-containment/contamination/gene transfer/unexpected interactions in the microbiome a) human body b) environment be monitored by WHO Member States' own laboratories?

Monitored by health and environmental protection agencies?

Will all gene sequences, active ingredients and technological mechanisms be in the public domain, to facilitate independent testing and scrutiny by national planning authorities and hospitals for follow up?

How will this be affected by a) trade patents - for technologies released on experimental permits

Or b) WHO-conducted military biosecurity - protecting information on bio agents that could unintentionally or intentionally become a weapon of mass destruction?

"Bioweapons Draft Paper covering Treaties and Definitions" https://

healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/11/weapons-of-mass-destruction-do-who.html Does the WHO consider all research facilities a risk of the intentional or unintentional proliferation of weapons of mass destruction?

Is that why the WHO Treaty outlines that only products from the WHO's own supply chain will be approved for certification for travel and inclusion in the digital passports?

Which manufacturers have you chosen for inclusion in your logistics supply chain? How has the WHO evaluated the bigger pharmaceutical companies, with mixed violation track records against smaller research projects which do not use genetic engineering in the medical models they study?

What percentage of research projects are funded to assess the safety and efficacy of WHO technologies to be implemented? Member states need to be aware of the risks being taken and know what negative impacts to monitor for and report on.

In the WHO's review of the Covid 19 pandemic, what processes and tools are the WHO using to evaluate the choices, cost, safety efficacy, success, failings, adverse events and continued monitoring of short medium longterm effects and effectiveness?

How many years will the effect of the vaccines and lockdowns be monitored for? Again, in the Bali investigation it was found that only a few people died of Dengue, a fraction of those who died by accident or died by suicide. How will the WHO address this tragic phenomenon?

Were the many interactions between the human body and mRNA and other vaccines

#### recorded?

Will the WHO guarantee that the active ingredients of future vaccines and biotech products will be shared with municipal water management schemes so that they can use those parameters to test and filter for its appearance in the environment? "Green Technologies: Many Elements Interact As One Unintentional Weapon of Mass Destruction"

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/11/one-big-weapon-of-mass-destruction.html

The case of the World Mosquito Program contradicts the biotech industry's premise that gene-edited organisms and microorganisms are precise, safe and predictable. Scientists could not directly answer whether the Wolbachia was passed through inherited gene transfer or describe how they mitigated risks of all the other pathogens present in mosquito eggs and larvae, at birth. "Mosquitoes From A Microbial Perspective" https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/11/gmo-mosquitoes-from-microbial.html What science underpins the WHO's policy to treat whole countries that are not yet sick or asymptomatic?

Can the WHO advisors show the critical papers that explain the term 'asymptomatic? Please share the reasoning to trust PCR test results at various resolutions above the empirically experienced health of the population?

How are potential pandemic pathogens stored?

How are research facilities supposed to manage their waste and water, to prevent a release of initial research failures and stocks of stabilised enhanced pathogens? Does this help with preparing a vaccine to be ready to respond to an outbreak? Using the Wolbachia-mosquito research, the public were told it took thousands of attempts at microinjection of Wolbachia Bacteria before the Aedes aegypti accepted the bacteria and started to pass it to their off-spring.

Were the earliest failures studied?

Were any off or on-site mutations found?

Did the disrupted genomes of eggs and sperm of the mosquitoes seek to repair itself?

How were the failures disposed of?

We don't know the details, what protocols done?

We remember social distancing which called for a 2 metre gap between us? Can the WHO share the scientific basis for this?

What evidence for masks stopping the transmission of the virus?

What samples did the WHO have or share of the Sars 19 virus and the strains of the pathogen that followed?

What drove the weaker and stronger variants of the disease?

When the WHO vaccinate in the middle of the pandemic, did your data suggest that vaccinating in the middle of a pandemic drove stronger variants?

What data was taken to assess the success?

Why were ivermectin, Hydroxychloriquine, zinc, Vitamin D and Vitamin C not advised?

Will doctors be able to prescribe or advise their patients to take simpler medicines food supplements instead of stronger pharmaceutical treatments advised by the WHO?

Why was Mullion leaf taken off the shelves in the pandemic when well known to help respiratory disorders

Why was Abate detergent taken off the shelves when Aedes aegypti mosquitoes

were set to be released the next week, when Abate was the only detergent strong enough to kills the eggs?

Why are Merck, producers of the HPV vaccine donating a million doses of ivermectin, an anti parasitic drug to treat Filarial Disease, caused by Wolbachia, at the same time as releasing Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes?

Does a vaccine work if it is created to develop antibodies to the one strain produced as a Potential Pandemic Pathogens but it is used to address a slightly different mutation of a disease in Nature that actually caused the outbreak?

If it is the same strain as the PPP that is engineered, will that show where the

If it is the same strain as the PPP that is engineered, will that show where the research was done?

Will that point to a biosafety leak rather than a pandemic risk? Would it be a more consistent prevention to ban genetic research into pharmaceuticals, food, agriculture, CCS and other biotech?

Notice 2) When one country is endangered by the WHO's biotechnologies, they put all Member States at risk

- for example AUKUS US, UK, Australia Nuclear Submarines partnership destined to make Indonesia a target by sailing around in their waters.

Stop The Retaliatory Deployment by AI of Mosquitoes, bombs and unlawful civil decision-making involvement.

WHO's Thin Veneer of Health Strategy Turns To Beat Into Submission Please help stop the WHO's Violent Retaliation In Their War Against Humanity

Stand together or be taken out by the silent killers of the World Health Organization's Design

The day Bali won the postponement of the mass release, an Indonesian Hospital in Palestine was bombed. There are no coincidences in this life. Countries have to stick together and recognise en masse what the UN and WHO intend and how they behave when they're asked even some basic house-keeping questions. Since artificial Intelligence was designed and utilised by the military, Israel proudly announced it can identify 100 civilian targets a day, and bomb 50 of them, limited only by ammunition. Before AI, only 50 civilian targets a year could be identified. There is no human oversight as to the legitimacy of the targets. The AI identifies any sort of 'signature group' - which is just everyone who may be objecting to the bombing, or objecting to any other deployment of military technology in pharmaceuticals or other engineered biological organisms such as mosquitoes.

Do not accept the COP28 Conference of the Partiies - Look At What They're Calling 'Health' and How We Will Be Financing This Totalitarian Nightmare

The Health Minister should have answered questions of Criminal Ministerial Responsibility in Parliament, last Thursday. It would have brought Indonesia's whole acceptance of the WHO's regulatory approvals, let alone international mandates into doubt (Case Against the Health Minister attached)

Now we need international intervention to even stop the mosquitoes The research into Wolbachia Mosquitoes as a Health Strategy was already a scandal - A gene drive of a disease vector with a gain of function, undisclosed inclusion of IP Technology, and the absence of credible risk analysis. https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/mosquito-safety-and-efficacy-trials.html

Indonesia's Minister of Health has violated the law by allowing a high impact experimental project without agreement by Indonesia's Coordination Committee. He should help Indonesia's authorities understand the money that changed hands and help to explain military engagement with the WHO.

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/analysis-of-who-and-military-relations.html

Instead of answering difficult questions in front of the ix Commission, https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/due-diligence-qus-nations-must-unite-to.html

Scott O'Neill, patent holder of the Wolbachia Technology and founder of World Mosquito Program, was invited to defend the health minister at the hearing (despite the criminal investigation into his World Mosquito Program filed in Bali).

In a scandalous turn around, the parliament threw its support behind the WMP, despite vehement protests from the public where more than 60,000 had signed a petition asking for a postponement of the release:

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/mosquito-due-diligence-petition-that.html

And despite the Governor's explicit statement to halt the mosquito release plan in Bali.

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/balis-governor-president-at-first.html In what can only be called a frightening act of retaliation, the Health Minister is resuming releases, even making Bali a new headquarters for the World Mosquito Program and now introducing children's vaccines.

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/who-retaliation-childrens-vaccine-for.html

There is already evidence of releases without any permission, releases on armed forces, and mass drops of adult mosquitoes on festivals.

Two days ago I served notice on the Director General of the WHO, demanding the WHO's scientists support their pandemic preparedness and emergency response treaty with a solid foundation in science (Notice 1 above)

Now I do not believe they intend to. The WHO hope that the treaty comes in using their "silent process", where nations that fail to actively withdraw, will find their government's own policies fully entangled in a web of self-destruction.

What are your health ministers doing in your country? To your people?

This is the only moment of choice Member States have and Indonesia already needs support.

Please communicate between Defence Departments. Ask them to make the statement that when one country is endangered by the WHO's biotechnologies, they

put all Member States at risk.

Can Nations unite to STOP The WHO?

I appeal to the Defence Departments in all UN member states to find unity, while our countries face the same biosecurity threat: The World Health Organization.

Eleven countries withdrew from the WHO Treaty in September.

Several more have rejected the International Health Regulations in the last week, coming up to the WHO's silence 1st December deadline.

We need these brave nations to share as many of their reports as possible, detailing their reasons for walking away from the major Pandemic Fund payments.

How did scientists convince their governments at last that gene edited organisms are NOT substantially equivalent to organisms that have evolved over 300 billion years?

Did they see through the science, and realize that even biotechnology that is "researched for the benefit of world health" carries incalculable counter-indications, with other technologies and our microbiome?

Did they raise the alarm that even the interaction between all the technologies in agriculture, food, conservation, climate action, pharmaceuticals and communications have already triggered mass destruction.

Or did they find irrefutable evidence that the health measures that the World Health Organization propose are intended to harm?

This intention to cause harm is the scandal that we discovered in Bali. We asked about the risks of releasing 200 million male and female mosquito eggs here. We asked about the safety of a gene drive that carries one bacteria on purpose but transmits 11 new diseases; We asked why the mosquitoes will carry IP Technology; and why did the WHO use a Microsoft modeling program to do a risk assessment, instead of doing a proper one?

Did they answer our questions? NO

Do they intend to punish Indonesia? Yes

In a defiant act of retaliation, the World Mosquito Program plan to move their Head Quarters to Bali and resume their mosquito releases all over Asia, Mexico, Brazil and Africa.

This is even though the health minister knows there is going to be a loss of life. Already a child dead from Japanese Encephalitis, never before seen here. And the following day? All children under 15 must take a vaccine.

The response is indicative of what will happen with every lockdown and protracted crisis the WHO have planned. They will offer vector or vaccine. An Impossible choice and, in reality, no choice at all.

Like the MEP's court case challenging the legality and legitimacy of the WHO, many in Indonesia, from Bali and Jakarta, from holy Mangku to General are committed to refusing their dangerous technologies.

Please find a way to stand side by side with our General Komjen. Pol. Drs. Dharma Pongrekun, S.H. M.M., M.H., and so with Indonesia. Then we will stand with you and honour the spirit of your nations, and help your land and people recover.

Just today, another child vaccine, this time for Dengue, is being rolled out on Kalimantan - the new WHO-controlled Smart capital city of Indonesia and yet original land of Indonesia's most longstanding traditional medicine and... of course some gold, uranium and other precious resources that presumably they have their eye on as well.

The WHO start with strategic attack and inflict only tragedy.

Please stop, thank you, Frances On behalf of humanity

#### Attached: Civil Case against the Health Minister

"Number INV/2023/NW/1

Subject: Application for Administrative Objection to the action of disseminating disease-causing biological agents that have the potential to cause outbreaks and epidemics (Wolbachia Mosquitoes)

Dear. Mr. Budi Gunadi Sadikin,

Minister of Health of the Republic of Indonesia

Those who sign the attachment "petition participants", hereinafter referred to as "the applicants", in this case request the Honorable Mr. Budi Gunadi Sadikin, as Minister of Health of the Republic of Indonesia, to immediately revoke the Decree of the Minister of Health Number HK.01.07/ MENKES/1341/ 2022 and stop (temporarily) all actions to disseminate disease-causing biological agents that have the potential to cause outbreaks and epidemics, especially mosquitoes modified with Wolbachia bacteria (hereinafter referred to as "Wolbachia Mosquitoes") or other modified/engineered living creatures.

#### 1. Factual Basis

Specifically regarding the Wolbachia Mosquito program, the applicants have identified the following factual problems and deficiencies:

- There is no AMDAL (Environmental Impact Analysis) and related permits for the Wolbachia Mosquito program, while AMDAL and related permits are legally required for "activities whose results can affect the natural environment, the built environment, as well as the social and cultural environment;" and/or "introduction of types of plants, animals and microorganisms;"
- The Minister of Health does not have the authority to permit or order activities that impact the environment/ecosystem Local research in a small area in Yogyakarta has become the basis for the national Wolbachia Mosquito program. Research conducted by the University of Jember (Genetic Variation of Aedes Aegypti (Diptera: Culicidae)

based on DNA Polymorphism) for example shows the high level of genetic diversity in the Aedes Aegypti population, meaning that the results of research in one small area cannot necessarily be compared to the results in other areas, research results in Yogyakarta, its validity must first be proven in Aedes aegypti populations in other target areas.

- Manipulated and incomplete Risk Assessments, potential negative impacts on health and the environment were insufficiently researched and excluded -

Various studies that have formed the basis for the Wolbachia Mosquito program were published in Journals that were not recognized (even banned) by BRIN Jakarta, December 8 2023

- The Ministry of Health sides with groups with an interest in the Wolbachia Mosquito program rather than being neutral -
- Unilateral invitation from Commission IX of the DPR to the Minister of Health which includes Scott O'Neill, Director of WMP who plans to spread 200 million Wolbachia infected mosquitoes, in Bali
- Correlation is not causation, dengue fever decreases in Yogyakarta (77%) which claimed to be "due to" the Wolbachia Mosquito program could have occurred due to other causes such as conventional mosquito control methods, climate or other natural cycles. For example, in Bali dengue fever has also decreased/varied drastically, similar to Yogyakarta, without the presence of Wolbachia mosquitoes:
- Results abroad are not clear, for example in Sri Lanka the dengue fever rate has tripled since the Wolbachia Mosquito program was introduced, in Singapore (a very extensive Wolbachia mosquito program) the dengue fever rate has also increased and the NEA (National Environment Agency) admits that the program is still in progress. the experimental phase with many challenges although it started in 2016. NEA Singapore has also noticed changes in the phenotype of the dengue virus during trials which may be caused by the presence of the Wolbachia mosquito A comprehensive study on the

issue of evolution (Wolbachia versus dengue: Evolutionary predictions) came to the conclusion that the short-term benefits of the wolbachia method are promising, but the long- term impacts and risks are unknown: "our analysis suggests that the possible benefits of this technology outweigh the negative impacts, but the true risks are largely unknown"

- A study (Reduced competitiveness of Wolbachia infected Aedes aegypti larvae in intra- and inter-specific immature interactions) has found that Aedes aegypti infected with Wolbachia is weakened thereby reducing their competition with other species, such as Aedes albopictus which is also a vector for dengue fever and various viruses others, which can lead to an increase in other mosquito populations.
- A study (Wolbachia Enhances West Nile Virus (WNV) Infection in the Mosquito Culex tarsalis) has found that infection with Wolbachia bacteria increases the level of West Nile virus infection in Culex tarsalis mosquitoes. The same/similar risks have not been studied enough in the Wolbachia-borne Aedes aegypti mosquito program in Indonesia
- The Ministry of Health ignores the community's substantial and well-founded objections and concerns
- Undue and unreasonable foreign influence, for example World Mosquito Programs funded by various controversial entities such as Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Import of Wolbachia mosquito eggs from Australia is suspected without permits and procedures applicable biosecurity (LARTAS)
- Violation of the basic principles of informed consent (consent based on complete information), risks are hidden by the Ministry of Health and only benefits are promoted to the public
- There is no clear responsibility and provisions regarding compensation for damage/ losses caused by the Wolbachia Mosquito program - Violation of regional autonomy for the environment and tourism, negative impact on tourism - Many or even most people reject the Wolbachia Mosquito program or feel unsafe and/or comfortable

with the presence of the Wolbachia Mosquito, this fact has become clear from the national and international reaction to the Wolbachia Mosquito program. Local residents have no choice if the Wolbachia Mosquito is released without their consent in their area, however national and international tourists can and will choose to avoid the area which will cause (significant) harm to the tourism industry in the area. 2. Legal Basis

Based on the entire description in Number 1. above, the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes violates the law, legal principles and conventions, including the following: A. Law no. 17 of 2023 concerning Health

Article 399: "Every person is

prohibited from: a. carry out activities to disseminate materials that contain causes of disease and health problems that have the potential to cause outbreaks; and/or b. carry out activities to disseminate disease-causing biological agents that have the potential to cause outbreaks and epidemics."

Article 445: "Every person who carries out activities to disseminate materials that contain disease- causing and/or biological agents that cause disease and health problems that have the potential to cause outbreaks and epidemics as intended in Article 399 shall be punished by imprisonment for a maximum of 12 (twelve) years or criminal a maximum fine of IDR 5,000,000,000 (five billion rupiah)."

- B. Law no. 32 of 2009 concerning Environmental Protection and Management The entirety of Paragraph 5 concerning AMDAL and Paragraph 7 concerning Licensing and amendments to the Job Creation Law (especially regarding participation of affected communities)
- C. Law no. 14 of 2008 concerning Openness of Public Information Article 11 paragraph (1): "Public Bodies are obliged to provide Public Information at any time

which includes:

- b. the results of Public Body decisions and their considerations; c. all existing policies and supporting documents;"
- D. General Principles of Good Government (AAUPB) (Algemene Beginzedvan Behoulijk Bestures/ General Principles Of Good Administration):

The Principle of Benefit , namely: In publishing/conducting the object of the dispute, there is a balanced benefit between the interests of one individual and the interests of other individuals, the interests of individuals and the interests of society, the interests of citizens and foreigners, the interests of one community group and another community group, the interests of the government with citizens, the interests of the present generation with the interests of future generations.

The Principle of Impartiality , namely: the principle that requires Government Agencies and/ or Officials to determine and/or carry out decisions and/or Actions by considering the interests of the parties as a whole and not being discriminatory. The Principle of Accuracy , namely; that a Decision and/or Action must be based on complete information and documents to support the legality of the determination and/or implementation of the Decision and/or Action so that the Decision and/or Action in question is prepared carefully before the decision and/or Action is determined and/or done.

The principle of not abusing authority is; the principle that requires every Government Agency and/or Official not to use their authority for personal or other interests and not in accordance with the purpose of granting said authority, not to exceed, not abuse, and/or not mix up the authority.

The Principle of Openness, namely: When publishing/conducting an a quo dispute

object, do not openly receive any information related to the applicable laws and regulations.

Principle of Public Interest, namely: Prioritizing public welfare and benefits in an aspirational, accommodating, selective and non-discriminatory manner. The principle of legal certainty, namely: When issuing/conducting the object of a dispute, prioritizing the basis of statutory regulations, propriety and justice in every policy and so that the resulting decision meets the elements of legal certainty. E. 1945 Constitution:

Article 28A paragraph (1): "Everyone has the right to live and the right to defend his life

and life"

Article 28G paragraph (1): "Every person has the right to protection of himself, his family, honor, dignity and property under his control, and has the right to a sense of security and protection from the threat of fear of doing or not doing something which is a human right"

Article 28H paragraph (1): Every person has the right to live in physical and spiritual prosperity, to have a place to live, and to have a good and healthy living environment and the right to receive health services.

- F. Pancasila, in particular:
- 2. Just and civilized humanity 3. Indonesian Unity 4.

Democracy led by wisdom in deliberation and representation

- 5. Social justice for all Indonesian people
- G. Salus Populis Suprema Lex Esto (The safety of the people is the highest law)
- 3. Provisions for continuing the release of Wolbachia mosquitoes in open environments and/or other activities that disseminate biological agents in open environments, hereinafter referred to as the Program.
- Independent research/research, at least to replicate and validate research that has become the basis for the Program
- Complete, precise and independent risk assessment and risk-benefit analysis Only research published in journals recognized by BRIN can be used in the evaluation, approval and implementation of the Program
- AMDAL and Permits for Programs in accordance with Law no. 32 of 2009 concerning

Environmental Protection and Management and its amendments to the Job Creation Law

- Obtain informed consent / community approval for the Program
- Without obligation, respecting the autonomy of regions that refuse to participate in Program
- Without commercial interests by national or foreign parties; total transparency Program funding
- Regulations that provide compensation to parties who suffer losses as a result Programs, for example tourism operators who experience a decline in the number of visitors
- Clear and enforceable regulations that explain responsibility for damage/loss caused by, or
- alleged to be caused by the Program, with a simple and fast compensation process that does not require legal action
- Complete and comprehensive transparency regarding all aspects of the Program, especially risks and uncertainties, including regulations prohibiting public communication of benefits without mentioning risks and uncertainties

- Formation of a committee involving all parties (stakeholders), including applicants, as advisors and supervisors of the Program

Based on all the descriptions above, it is hoped that this objection request can be immediately followed up by Mr. Budi Gunadi Sadikin, as Minister of Health of the Republic of Indonesia, and grant

this request by stopping (temporarily) all actions to disseminate disease-causing biological agents

that have the potential to cause outbreaks and epidemics, especially mosquitoes modified with Wolbachia bacteria or other modified/engineered living creatures. However, if this application does not receive a response according to the applicant's request within 10 working days, then without prejudice to respect, the applicant will take legal action to the State Administrative Court as per the legal channels regulated in Law 30/2014 concerning Government Administration / Law 6/2023 concerning Stipulation of Government Regulations in Lieu of Law Number 2 In 2022 concerning Job Creation it becomes Law and Supreme Court Regulation no. 2 of 2019, and/or Citizen Lawsuit in the District Court.

If there are questions regarding this application or the respondent wishes to discuss, the applicants can be contacted using the contact information provided below. Thus, we submit this Administrative Objection Letter to the Honorable Mr. Budi Gunadi Sadikin, as Minister of Health of the Republic of Indonesia. Thank You.

Best regards, Petitioners Contact:

Notice 3) Notice of Personal Liability for multiple crimes of Fraudulent
Misrepresentation, Genocide, and criminal breaches of the Nuremburg Code and
Non-Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction and other International
Agreements

Personal Liability for WHO, WEF, Gates, WMP and Save The Children Fund Police report: Surat Tanda Penerimaan Laporan Indonesia

STPL/1263/X1/2023/SPKT/Polda Bali 23 Charges of Untrue Public Information Filed at Kepolisiian Negara Republik Bali Re: requesting SP2HP All information 11th March 2024 Cease and Desist

Notice to Principal is notice to Agent. Notice to Agent is notice to Principal. Notice of Intended Criminal Prosecution Parties that are being served notice of personal liability:

This evidence of social conflict, class action and the struggle for agency has been collated to prosecute the following men and women. This is to serve them personal liability notices for the deployment of mosquitoes, artificial intelligence, smart infrastructure, green technologies, vaccines, mRNA vaccines, and live GM Parasite vaccines.

The man, António Guterres sometimes acting as Secretary General to the United Nations

The man, Klaus Schwab sometimes acting as Chairman of the World Economic Forum

The man, Tedros Ghebreyesus sometimes acting as Secretary General of the World

## Health Organization

The man, Jeremy Farrar sometimes acting as Head Scientist at the World Health

#### Association

The man, Scott O'Neill sometimes acting as Wolbachia IP Technology patent holder and CEO of World Mosquito Program

The man, Adam Berthoud sometimes acting as Executive Director of Global Programmes, Save The Children Fund UK

The man, Blake Bedtime sometimes acting as DARPA'S Insect Allies Director The woman Lesley, and her husband, Gillespie sometimes acting as a Baker and sometimes Funder of Biological Weapons Program in Indonesia

To all men and women involved in funding and implementing pandemic preparedness as a justification for a protracted biological attack.

To men and women in the Yayasan Tahija Foundation

To men and women in the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

To men and women acting without an oath of office, in Governments and the Military To all men and women contributing to the World Economic Forum, the WHO Pandemic Treaty, The IHR Amendments, The Logistics Supply Chain, including AUKUS and Microsoft's and Elon Musk's Artificial Intelligence.

There is also compensation due, for the proliferation of biological weapons, coupled with Artificial Intelligence, by a foreign agent with permissions granted through fraudulent claims and bribery.

The man Budi Gunadi Sadikin acting as Minister for Health for Indonesia The man, Prabowo Subianto Djojohadikusumo acting as Defence Minister for Indonesia

The man, Wieded Trisnadl Chairman of Save The Children Fund The woman, Bekti Andari Vice Chairman of Save The Children Fund I hereby give all parties notice to cease and desist and step down from holding office.

This is my third and final notice for misguiding the public, in regards to safety and efficacy, and avoiding liability.

This requires a response within 10 days of receiving this notice, latest 15th April 2024.

This is the third time I have formally served you notice for crimes against humanity, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and abuse of the Nuremburg Code. These crimes are the offensive and allegedly defensive use of biological, radiological, chemical and nuclear armaments against men and women, directly and through mismanagement of the public purse, under the headings 'deterrent' and 'preparedness'.

All Member States have been registered as corporations, but now there has been both domestic and foreign attacks upon nations through these corporations,. We hereby inform you that therefore we are enacting national emergency laws. These are distinct from the emergency measures that the UN and WHO themselves propose to declare at a moments' notice. As you declare Health Emergencies of International Concern that require the extraction of national assets, we the people declare an international emergency of your fraudulent self-appointment and require that you step down before May 2024. What is happening now, is a transfer of power back to men and women. All the above parties are corporations and are defacto, and not de jure. This is because authority has been assumed without oaths of office. These oaths would acknowledge that the positions are those of public servants, with liability for acting in the public interest.

The employment of technologies, the consequences of which are beyond human understanding, can never be considered to have received informed consent. Parties

have sought experimental permits instead of attempting regulation. Parties have argued that gains of function and engineered mosquitoes are substantially equivalent to natural pathogens and insects, instead of attempting to monitor the outcomes of these experiments.

In line with the Common Law Jurisdiction of the Land and Soil, my first notice was a Conditional Acceptance of the Program and Treaty. The conditions were that we must receive satisfactory answers to financial and operational due diligence questions and the question of liability. Although given ample opportunity, including parliamentary hearings, stakeholder meetings, written and in-person requests from National Security, lawyers and even Heads of State, not one direct answer was received from any of the defendants. Although 157 of 194 UN Member States rejected the Amendments or placed reservations in time; before the 1st December 2023, not one of these official notices has been acknowledged. These notices were formally sent from multiple strata of society; governments, nations, lawyers, doctors, men and women and groups. Inevitably, as Common Law and Trust Law were never taught, any mistakes in these notices you have received, should have been overlooked, and the key concerns addressed.

The second notice identified multiple points of law upon which the IHR, IHR Amendments, Treaty, and COP28 financing and negotiations were found to be illegitimate. The notice identified massive over-extension of jurisdiction and powers that were never formally agreed or adopted. Not only is there no oversight of the World Health Organisation and United Nations but all the parties served here are unwilling to be challenged, even if their proposed measures are clearly proven and intended to harm. The parties have a sinister protocol of retaliation in place, whereby undisclosed releases and the sterilisation of whole populations is carried out. Retaliation is the only response men and women and whole nations have received, when they refuse the products on health, safety or sovereignty grounds. Member states have no recourse to remedy. They have essentially been writing to a hostile corporate occupation of their nation. Actions have been taken. Member states have withdrawn, rejected and made formal reservations. More importantly millions of men and women have notified the parties of injuries and deaths. Parties have received notices from surviving men and women of our corrected political status, who have taken on the task of bearing witness.

We are in Propria Persona Sui Juris (of one's own right). In Proprio Solo (In the soil on one's own land) and in Proprio Heredes (heirs of our own property) and we are exercising all our rights at this time and at all points on time. We are stewards of the animals including all the natural predators of the mosquito. We do not consent to any genetic modification. We do not recognise your authority, and all your technology must now be removed, on account of it being trespass. We claim the usury slavery system tantamount to aggravated burglary, causing grievous bodily harm. Failure to understand our interaction with the environment will not be considered justification of damage done or impacting life from a distance, with chemical deposits, engineered contamination or military artificial intelligence.

The parties charged have a long history of programs that are neither safe nor effective. A Grand Jury of the People has already determined that there is sufficient evidence to indict every government official, corporate entity, philanthropist, or anyone else involved, for trying to bring fraud, treason and genocide into international law.

The parties are also charged with a crime of omission, which is their silent process. This means that laws and amendments are considered adopted, if member states do not actively reject them. Today, we have a situation where member states have not acquiesced, they have actively rejected them. So now the parties are implementing programs without consent. As per the Nuremburg Code, the continuation of an experiment after the participants have suffered and called for its cessation is an act violence.

We are determined that our counter presentations will now be heard in the International Criminal Court, where a first major case against the parties has been accepted. These counter presentations re-direct all pandemic fund money and other assets in to safe avenues for sovereign redress to men and women. We are the body sovereign and the parties are the body politic. We the people direct the public servants and will correct this systemic dishonourable conduct.

Therefore, we demand the men and women of the parties acting in bad faith to resign and apologize, and

your prompt response by no later than 22nd March 2024 to inform us of your intentions regarding our demands.

We are escalating this matter in spiritual unity with all nations. We do not consent and we will not comply.

Use of our data is illegal. Ref. GDPR and Data Protection Act, Article 22.

#### Contracts Void

The charges of fraud, genocide and use of bioweapons that the parties are faced with, in the International Criminal Court, renders all contracts, agreed due to this misrepresentation, as void. The parties have not provided proof of their legitimate authority or any financial or operational due diligence. The conflicts of interest demonstrate a monopoly, and AI-Driven Conflict upon humanity. As a precedent for this charge, Microsoft were sued by the USA for Monopoly in 2003. This time though we don't want him to simply repackage his business and launder his money through philanthropies. The parties assets must be seized.

Men and women have made no contract with the parties. We have seen no Deeds of Assignment or active ingredients to allow independent testing. In fact, we have seen no supporting evidence for the scientific foundation for pandemic preparedness, and no justification or apology for the adverse events following each recommendation by the WHO during the pandemic and dating back 60 years. This confirms complicity with a larger program of pre-meditated harms, engineered enslavement of the rightful heirs of the land, and hopes of world domination. For myself, I am accepting of all and any mistakes made in this notice and reserve all rights. In addition, ORDINANCE NUMBER IRM/8266-ADIR04/I.RM28- G.WAC77-NWA0002, which is an irrevocable and non-negotiable document, in full force and effect issues men and women with honourable diplomatic immunity as HONOURABLE DIPLOMATS and PEACE AMBASSADORS. Lord Coke, the draftsman of the Petition of Right, stated clearly: "In many cases, the common law will control Acts of Parliament, and sometimes adjudge them to be utterly void: for when an Act of Parliament is against common right and reason, or repugnant, or impossible to be performed, the common law will control it and adjudge such an Act to be void." page4image127695488

Failure to comply with these demands will force us to hold you personably liable through the International Criminal Courts at The Hague, to protect people, animals and the environment. This notice to cease and desist specifically prohibits you from producing, transporting, deploying or releasing any modified vectors, administering any experimental vaccines or building any biological laboratories. In relation to the parties with fiscal responsibilities, they are hereby prohibited from trafficking men and women, extortion through the creating of bonds for minor violations and crippling economies through alleged national debts.

As outlined in Common Law, men and women should be paid \$10,000 Federal Goldbacked, American dollars (and not Fiat Money) per hour of unlawful capture. The Indonesian Jural Assembly judges that the parties charged should facilitate payments to all Indonesian men and women, with immediate effect. This is an appropriate first remedy and redress for the treasonous capture of the population, through the parties' lockdown mechanism. Compensation would acknowledge the severity of the Health Minister of Indonesia's impositions upon the population, the punishing length of the lockdown's duration, and callous prevention of access to basic needs and complete lack of financial provision made for the people. There must be another fee paid for the hostile deployment of engineered mosquitoes, and another for the injection of experimental vaccines on children, and another for the attempted coup of creating smart Cities using artificial Intelligence, for which the parties will exclusively own the equipment and data garnered. We are holding an account of our individual fee schedules and holding the parties to account to pay them.

You are hereby served notice that it is my intention to lay information in a Private Criminal Prosecution against the parties charged, alleging that the following trespasses and crimes have been committed against the people, in the Common Law jurisdiction of land and soil.

Criminal Charges Below

Social conflict arises from a struggle for agency. Now, men and women have taken on the risk of self-governance because the options seem very unappealing. The parties charged will not be allowed to take our freedoms or our lives. They must consider themselves served and likely to be found guilty.

In the World Mosquito Program risk assessment, generated by an arm of the World Health Organization, using AI, they identified 54 potential risks. Their calculation find all the risks negligible. The assessment concludes that a program must be stopped if the risks are shown to be higher. Contained in the following chapters of this book of evidence are the 100 notices, reports and formal letters that demonstrate dangerously high risks on all accounts. The continuing of the deployments now, after they have been refused, sets a precedent for all the unwelcome Biolabs proposed. The multiple class actions amount to a world-wide veto on the activities of the parties charged. They

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provide grounds for their consequential punishment and full personal liability. Cease and desist.

Notice to be presented, with the investigation file, to all court cases and hearings emerging from this landmark Proliferation of Bioweapons case, and made available for other nations to support related cases: STPL/1263/X1/2023/ SPKT/Polda Bali I, Frances, of Gladiator Bangsa, am writing to the man, Mohamed of the Ali family, sometimes acting as Police Officer in Kepolisiian Negara Republik Bali. I have chosen to write in honour to a natural man, who we spoke to personally. I am also

cautious of addressing this notice to a more senior police officer, as the Bali Police are implicated as well, as named stakeholders of the mosquito program. In addition, when we attended the police station to file charges we were told at first that the Police `intelligence and Health Officer did not know about the release and then they disclosed that they already had an open file and investigation. As stakeholders have been in receipt of 40 million Australian Dollars to allow the private Australian release, of Wolbachia IP Technology-infected Mosuquitoes, some police may already be in receipt of bribery money.

We were grateful to meet you, Mohamed, after meeting the Head of Intelligence, Head of Health and several other officers in the police station. In future, you may be asked to bear witness to how the risks presented by the mass mosquito release were taken very seriously at the police station. You will remember how promises were made that the threats would be immediately be brought to the attention of the Biohazard Containment Department. You will recall how it was promised that the eggs would be confiscated and instruction be given for the safe decommissioning of the Denpasar laboratory and factory. You may be asked to confirm that the police did not afterwards order that action and you may be asked why. Please confirm that this affidavit will be added to the file and its contents be studied as part of the investigation.

When the case is finally heard in the National and International Criminal Courts, we intend to use the precedent Case and Contract law from the closing of a laboratory on biosafety grounds, by the Ministry of Health in 2008. https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/avian-influenza-bird-flu/supari-accuses-rich-nations- creating-viruses-profit You will read that the former health ministers concerns were brought to realisation by the parties charged.

I hereby submit this affidavit to provide the Facts, Legal Basis and Evidence of the crimes and victims of the parties' premeditated and sustained biological attack on the people. The program was allowed through Fraudulent Misrepresentation (23 accounts of Untrue Public Information) 13 pages of which is to follow in the Annex. There was widespread bribery of Bali's local government and regulators by the private foreign funders, private families, and undisclosed contracts. We the people have now elevated the charge of Criminal Ministerial Misconduct to premeditated Grievous Bodily Harm,

through the aforementioned parties contriving Emergency Measures. The release of foreign, experimental, and novel vectors and vaccines are technically the release of Gain of Function Potential Pandemic Pathogens. Genetic Engineering Experiments being tested on healthy populations is contrary to the Nuremberg Code, prohibiting Human Experimentation without Informed Consent.

I was invited to join the Gladiator Bangsa leadership group to categorically demonstrate that all gene edited organisms and microorganisms carry the same high risks for people and the environment. Misrepresented as therapeutic, conservation, and surveillance measures, the biotech all generates the same profits and political power for pharmaceutical industry and military. I was prepared to accept that; once the risks of genetic engineering medicines, 'green' and wifi technologies, were understood, the deployment of Wolbachia bacteria-infected mosquitoes would be stopped and the eggs safely destroyed. To accomplish this, I prepared several papers for the Health Minister and Defense departments. I presented and discussed the bioweapons threat at a webinar, and wrote to the Bali stakeholders. I also gave

notice to all the Member States Heads of State and Defense Departments that national security for their nations was about to pass to the WHO, through their IHR and Treaty. Only the National Security responded. They had not even been informed of the program. Simultaneously, the relationship between Save The Children Fund, Indonesia's Armed Forces, and the WHO, orchestrated with the Minister of Defense and Minister of Health, will raise the profile of this case and for other Ministers and Plenipotentiary Ambassadors in related cases, to charges of Treason. (Ref WHO, Save The Children Fund and the Indonesian Armed Forces Report by Gladiator Bangsa. WHO Website: https:// extranet.who.int/emt/content/indonesian-armed-forces: Putting the policing of fabricated 'protracted crises' under the control of foreign military technology and armaments.

Once our Class Action succeeded in getting the the Bali release postponed, we alerted Indonesia's President, Indonesia's WHO 'Working Group' as co-chairs with the US, and all the other UN Member States, about the International Health Regulation Amendments. In particular, I highlighted that Health Ministers may not be informing even their Heads of State, National Planning or Security departments about the WHO's High Impact Pandemic Preparedness Treaty. Governments around the world have been lobbied to think that the building of bio-labs for pathogens, human DNA, pharmaceuticals and vectors would lead to some sort of 'equity' in terms of access to medical supplies (Ref: Gladiator Bangsa Report on Misrepresentation of Equity). To the contrary, biotechnology laboratories are impossible to regulate or maintain biosafety hav. They have already led to intentional and unintentional releases of toxic agents. Worse again, the IHR and Pandemic Treaty both relinquish responsibility for each country's national security to the WHO. The WHO, UN and WEF are already proven to have major conflicts of interest and influence from their private funders (Ref: COI Report) In addition, the spread of biological contamination is unpredictable and irreversible. When biotech is coupled to military artificial intelligence, smart infrastructure (cities), disease vectors, pathogens themselves, and even men and women are controlled by foreign technology,

with unknown capacity and unknowable consequences (reference Patents on the computerisation of the human body against every human rights principle). I identified the UN Member States' health ministers, as they are also delegates to the World Health Assembly. I warned about the public funds, natural resources and the Pandemic Fund that delegates will control after International Health Regulation Amendments, Pandemic Treaty and Sustainability Goal mandates come into law. Indonesia's Health Minister, who is a business man rather than a doctor, described the Treaty as "a huge business opportunity." (Reference: 75th World Health Assembly). The IHR, WHO implementation of radiation-causing technologies and infrastructure nor the mass releases of mosquitoes have not been discussed by Bappenas, the National Development and Planning Agency and Coordination Committee. This is against Guideline Number 11 of 2017 Guidelines for Healthy Living Community (Ref: Salmon-Peraturan-Menteri-PPN-11-Tahun-2017)

The parties charged with Fraudulent Misrepresentation: In funding, researching, producing, approving, mandating, selling, policing and deploying weaponised biotech, with intention to harm. The Fraudulent misrepresation is the perpetrating of the above crimes, under the pretexts of "Health Strategies" and contrived "Health Emergencies of international Concern" The outcomes are now clear, and the victims

of these crimes all look to Indonesia and Bali in particular to use this case STPL/ 1263/X1/2023/SPKT/Polda Bali as the precedent for many cases and proving personal liability of the parties.

The Bali Case STPL/1263/X1/2023/SPKT/Polda Bali could be the Police Investigation, Government Negotiation and Class Action that could save Indonesia and the other Member States from this genocide and biological disaster. So many authorities, levels of government, education and universities, are complicit through their jobs and their research, that it might be wise to offer an amnesty for these witnesses to give testimony for this Public Interest Case.

Health Minister had not even informed the Coordination ministers or National Security about the mass mosquito releases. He has still been unwilling to disclose the capacity of the Wolbachia IP Technology coupled with Microsoft CNN AI in the

mosquitoes. It is a foreign artificial intelligence biotech, with a patent on it that claims exclusive rights to the digital equipment and data arising from it. The Internet Protocol technology and AI are connected by US' Microsoft-designed 5G networks and MMWave foreign smart infrastructure and cities, with undisclosed military capacity. Similar situations are faced in every member state, for example live parasite GMO vaccines for children in Africa, 20 years of engineered insects in the Kingdom of Hawaii. The undisclosed objectives are to seize control of and exploit nations, people, natural resources and extract wealth from the people, animals, land and marine environment.

In support of such an amnesty (Reference Gladiator Bangsa report of Open Science Manifesto) I was prepared to accept that individual research projects were undertaken in the belief that they were producing something beneficial.

Once it was understood that many technologies being implemented at once could interact and inadvertently impact life, as a weapon of mass destruction, it should have been stopped. I served notice on all the parties charged, with this information, in the form of over 80 Due Diligence Questions.

Social Conflict is defined as 'the struggle to retain agency', and involves the Constitutional right men and women have to make decisions and have control over their own lives, bodies, environment and work. Save The Children Fund were unqualified to implement the release, especially for a foreign agent when the charity are simultaneously deeply involved in implementing Indonesia's military partnership with the WHO. The World Mosquito Program have been allowed to distribute mosquito eggs carrying Wolbachia IP technology, patented to the CEO Scott O'Neill. Furthermore, the IP Technology is coupled with artificial Intelligence, patented and controlled by Bill Gates, and it follows a military retaliatory protocol. This is seen in its use by Israel and retaliations on Bali after the first postponement (ref; Second Notice to the Charged Parties. The first social conflict was a major rift between Indonesian national defence and politics. The first man under investigation for these charges was unexpectedly invited to support the Indonesian Health Minister when he was called to defend his actions in front of the ix Commission. A copy of this notification has also been sent to the Senate for the plenary hearing, to question Indonesia's current Health Minister (Ref Somasi Menkes and Official Statement to Exit the WHO endorsed by the Senate). The handling of this case so far indicates that national decision-making for the public good is already under threat, if not lost.

In regard to the International Decision making by the UN and WHO, there is undue

financial influence at play. The former Health Minister claimed that the US and the WHO were collecting deadly Bird Flu pathogen samples, conspiring to profit from H5N1 vaccines. Even then, in 2008, it was clear that the WHO intended to produce a biological weapon with the H5N1 virus. https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/avian-influenzabird-flu/supari-accuses-rich- nations-creating-viruses-profit. Now we see Jeremy Farrar manoeuvred into position as Head Scientist at the WHO. Also in 2008, Jeremy Farrar was running a Tropical Diseases unit in Vietnam connected to Oxford University, realising his concept of GMO mosquitoes. He taught both Oxitec and World Mosquito Program scientists. Simultaneously in 2008, he was developing a 'universal Avian Flu' Vaccine. In 2013 he was involved in the Gain of Function research that made H5N1 transmissible to mammals. During the pandemic, as Head of Wellcome Trust he allocated 7 million pounds Stirling to Oxitec. Now in January 2024, Jeremy Farrar made an announcement that the next pandemic will be an Avian Flu and said we must rush funds to develop a vaccine, before the disease evolves to infect humans. He already knows that pathogen has been created. He is now in a position to declare a pandemic, reject national responses, and mandate his patented vaccine for profit, across all member states. This is high treason. During the Covid debacle, we have already seen evidence that developed countries are creating new viruses as a means of building new markets for vaccines, exactly as former health minister, Dr Siti Fadilah Supari forecast.

This prosecution is now urgent because the WHO Treaty and IHR Amendments could still pass into International Law in May 2024, despite unanimous refusal. Therefore I request a SP2HP Update on the 23 Charges of Untrue Public Information Filed Against Save The Children Fund and the World Mosquito Program on 8.11.23 With thanks, Frances

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Chapter i

Form and Sovereignty

Article 1

- (1) The State of Indonesia is a Unitary State in the form of a Republic.
- (2) Sovereignty shall be vested in the hands of the people and be executed according to the Constitution.
- (3) The State of Indonesia is a state based on law.

Central government can't impose on the provinces.

"For a just and civilized Humanity, the Unity of Indonesia and a Democratic Life ... (must be) guided by wisdom in Deliberation and Representation, and by realizing social Justice for all the people of Indonesia."

Criminal Ministerial Responsibility: Cases to be initiated and judged by the ordinary public prosecutor in ordinary

criminal courts, according to ordinary rules of criminal procedure.

The Highest Indonesian Court should stop the active powers of all charged parties with immediate effect.

This is compulsory for serious offences.

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ORDINANCE NUMBER IRM/8266-ADIR04/I.RM28-G.WAC77-NWA0002:

An irrevocable and non-negotiable document, in full force and effect from 24 May 2021,

With the issuance of honourable diplomatic immunity

as HONOURABLE DIPLOMATS and PEACE AMBASSADORS

TREATY OF ROME, ARTICLES 15.1 AND 53 - CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY

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## Chapter One Book of Evidence, Frances

inspired by The Peace Intention by Freya Lawton

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Peace-Intention-Handbook-StillFlow-Way/dp/0957512740 The UK, US and Israel have been charged with war crimes. The parties served notice here have been charged with Genocide and the Proliferation of Biological and radiological weapons and Genocide for the Covid 19 'vaccines', in the International Criminal court. However, my objective is peace; which I believe can only be achieved by withdrawing from the WHO and UN Treaties. In addition, artificial intelligence must be disarmed, dismantled and then banned by stopping the rollout of 5G. Their interaction is no more and no less than a weapon of mass destruction, following a retaliatory military protocol. Al is an abuse of our privacy and humanity, through its corruption of humane decision- making. Al may be compelling and coherent, but it is devoid of affinity and empathy. Therefore it has no place in a just society, or in honourable international relations. The AUKUS nuclear partnership, between the US and UK to buy 8 nuclear submarines for Australia must be blocked, as a gross misuse of public money, or a privately-funded proliferation of nuclear weapons. AUKUS members are actively encouraged to befriend the President of Indonesia, "whoever is elected". This can only be to maintain the presumed permission the US, UK and Australia will claim; to secretly sail the submarines all year-around, in Indonesian waters; exploit Indonesia's nuclear resources and commandeer a strategic military position.

My understanding is that if the WHO-approved production and deployment of hundreds of millions of biting, breeding mosquitoes is judged to be a hostile biological attack, by foreign agencies, the mosquitoes will be seen as weapons deployed offensively, by UN and American military, using Indonesia as a remote battle ground. It is my intention that this criminal case will provide a precedent to help Indonesia reject the IHR, the WHO's other health strategies and the proposed proliferation of biolabs. These contravene the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC). Thirdly, if it is agreed that the experimental permits are a way for vaccines, vectors, fogging and other biotech to avoid meaningful regulation, future open-air trials can be refused. Pharmaceuticals and mosquito eggs have been exempt from import and export protocols. Intellectual property rights have protected the charged parties from all independent safety and efficacy testing. The parties being registered in Switzerland has led to indemnity. Those parties that do not have diplomatic immunity themselves have been offered legal protection by Microsoft. Despite 350,000 signatures calling for a moratorium to be placed on gene drive research, the charged parties are now just denying that the releases are gene drives. This cease and desist notice is now being served on all producers of gene edited ingredients, in military, health, food agriculture and conservation. When I write notice to principal is notice to agent and notice to agent is notice to principal, it means that all agents are being made personally responsible too. These agents are complicit parties such as government ministers and Extraordinary Plenipotentiary Ambassadors who have misused their executive powers.

The criminal charges filed at Bali Police Station, in Denpasar are important for Indonesia, to compensate cities that have already suffered a mass release. A jury's decision would protect the human population, allowing nature, natural mosquito predators and all biodiversity to recover. In national and International presentations, I have proposed Indonesia as a suitable 'control group' for the One Health experiment. This would involve the rejection of all genetically engineered or other new technologies. This is what the Mangkus decreed as the only appropriate outcome (Ref. Statement, signed by 23 Mangkus sent directly to the WMP laboratory

## in Denpasar.

The case is internationally important because African nations are facing an experimental Malaria 'vaccine' containing engineered live plasmodium parasites of the worst strain of Malaria. Maui and Hawaii are facing a 20-year litany of abuse.

Their own ministers have approved mass releases of multiple engineered insect species, in numbers over a billion. Great Britain has approved the rollout of neurotoxin Flouride in the water. There is promotion of experimental genetically modified cancer drugs and MMWave surveillance 5G networks. In each Member State, the bribery to obtain approvals are now being charged as treasonous. Definitely, many more parties will be dismissed for criminal ministerial conduct. The only way to stop the spread of a biological contamination is to scorch the earth. This has already happened in Maui. It is a matter of great concern that there is a pattern to intentionally render many paradise islands, and indeed the African continent and Palestine, as uninhabitable. This makes way for the extraction of wealth, when natural resources are claimed on a' sustainability' pretext by the UN and remaining populations moved into smart cities, as planned. 194 member states are affected by the WHO's Pandemic Preparedness Treaty but the WHO has already taken risk assessments out of the public domain. Therefore, these criminal cases must set a precedent and make them liable. WHO risk assessments are generated by Al. The Wolbachia Mosquitoes were studied at an Indonesian University to manufacture consent. The researchers were informed that they did not need to carry out a risk assessment process or review the one provided by the WHO. Truth-testing is when risks are assessed in open air trials. However, in the Yogyakarta Wolbachia Mosquito trials, none of the 54 risks were assessed. Only PCR testing was used to assess the presence of Dengue in the city after release, plus an archaic "capture and release" system to assess the spread of Wolbachia bacteria. The AI risk assessment concluded that all the risks were "negligible". if any risk rose above "negligible", the risk assessment document did promise that the program must be reviewed. Even when the trials were conducted the risks were already shown to be much higher. There was Social Conflict. Over a hundred people in the community formally opposed the releases. There was also a Class Action court case to try and stop the trials. This means that the risk of Social Conflict and Class Action, numbers 53 and 54 on the Risk Assessment were in fact very high. The following documents prove that there has been intense opposition, social conflict and class actions taken against all the parties charged. There has still been no review of the program and no direct answers to basic due diligence questions. For example: Why does the WMP call their mosquito program in Sri Lanka a success, when the cities who agreed the mass deployment of eggs in 2021, now have a world record level of Dengue Cases and a larvae crisis. The people are being further punished by the president of Sri Lanka mobilising their armed forces to track mosquito eggs and fine home owners for providing a breeding ground.

Men and women have a Constitutional right to self determination and bodily integrity. No high impact project should happen in Indonesia without a meeting and consensus between the Coordination Committee, Bappenas. The World Mosquito Program should not have been enshrined in law. The GE mosquito program and GE 'vaccines' constitute premeditated harms. This has been proved repeatedly. In particular, WMP scientists admitted that the laboratory- bred mosquitoes carry 11

other diseases in addition to Wolbachia infection. WMP confirmed that other disease vector species massively increased and caused an outbreak of Japanese Encephalitis as a result of the Yogyakarta trials. WMP literature disclosed that the Wolbachia Bacteria has been engineered to carry a Technology patented by the founder of WMP, who will therefore directly profit. The WMP Scale Up report states that this is an Internet Protocol Technology. This means it is coupled to Microsoft CNN Artificial Intelligence, intended to deliver data and possibly instructions, via 5G and 6G networks. 5G itself is a foreign-controlled wireless network being built in to Indonesia's new capital city. This smart infrastructure is known to irreversibly degrade human and environmental health.

What would bring peace, specifically? Complete disarmament and apology, followed by redress and remedy.

10th April Case to Stop The WHA, WHO, WEF, UN and Agents thereof and claim remedy through public banks I added:

## Visionary Financial Team Assembled

We have assembled a team capable of establishing public banks and overseeing the financial due diligence of a compensation dispersement.

It starts with Professor Richard Claproth who filed the criminal charges and has experience in bank management as well as still being in the government planning office. Also Dr Kun, expert in the dangers of Al and leading advocate for the workers union. Siti Fadilah Supari, Jendral Dharma Pongrekun - Indonesia's chief of police, and all of Gladiator Bangsa will coordinate a better financial future.

I also anticipate Pascal Najadi will participate (through his stop GMO group) and will bring discernment as to the extent that the old system is being dismantled, in his action to 1) ensure the arrest of the WEF, 2) widen the international pressure to stop the diplomatic immunity of the WHO and 3) help us in Indonesia, to structure the public banks, into which allegedly indebted member states can deposit and distribute their compensation, when the time comes.

We have invited Harald Felzen of Sparkasse Public Bank's International Coorperation arm, with whom I was a government party working on the introduction of public banks in Ireland.

Richard C Cook, who is a major champion for the end of Usury in the United States as well as being the man who presented evidence that blocked the weaponization of space in the past;

Pierre Larrouturou, the MEP who went on hunger strike during the plandemic to insist that financial institutions pay even 0.01% tax on transactions. This was because all small businesses were being forced to invest in credit card machines to operate at all;

Diarmaid Mulcahy chairman of MABs, money advice for men and women in personal debt, in the West of Ireland, who is another proponent of public banking and also EU candidate calling for a moratorium on 5G, on account of childhood cancers and other repercussions.

Everyone in this group has additional extensive experience in health and connection and will extend an offer to work with and support families ruined by the death of the provider, to address damage done by the GMO jabs, or by the adverse effects of the lockdowns.

I believe we have to tackle the alleged debts to the International Monetary Fund and other banking bodies, to help UN member states extricate themselves from the WHO

## Treaty.

All the cases attached have capable lawyers who would be willing to give testimony on the invalidity and bioweapons aspects. The Treaty demands a great financial commitment and a commitment of member states' other resources. This is ten times what has been asked for in the past. Once we have thought of a new financial trajectory to actually incentivize local self sufficiency and environmental protection, we have the willing support of two groups of lawyers and the World Council For Health in building the cases.

I served notice on the WHO before the 1st December 2023 deadline to reject the IHR, demanding due diligence in regard to their Gain Of Function and gene drive creation of Potential Pandemic Pathogens. Then I put the WHO on notice again for retaliating when Bali managed to get a postponement of the GM mosquitoes, that are being released. There is a great wave of resistance from many countries but countries that have withdrawn, rejected or expressed reservations about the Pandemic and SDG declarations have yet to be acknowledged at all by the WHO. Thank you,

Research by Margaret that proves that

Dengue studies are now a matter for the Surveillance Department, not health.

Proving the real reason for enclosing IP Technology is to get the technology into the people:

Dengue in Yogyakarta 2016 to 2017 prior to randomized trial applying Wolbachia to eliminate Dengue

- https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1567134822001058
- Blood samples were tested from Dengue suspected patients aegypti mosquito samples were caught from the field using BG-Sentinel traps and te sted for the presence of DENV infection
  - 649 plasma samples collected between March 2016–February 2017
  - 36,910 mosquito samples collected between December 2016–May

#### 2017

• A total of 197 and 38 samples were DENV-positive by qRT-PCR, respectively. All four DENV serotypes were detected, with DENV-3 (n = 88; 44.67%) and DENV-1 (n = 87; 44.16%) as the predominant serotype, followed by DENV-4 (n = 12; 6.09%) and DENV-2 (n = 10; 5.08%

BG SENTINEL TRAPS The BG Sentinel traps attracts mosquitoes looking for a source for a blood meal through the use of CO2 from dry ice and a lure that emits an odor that simulates the presence of human skin. When a mosquito comes close to the trap, a battery powered fan sucks in and captures mosquitoes in a small net inside which is collected the following day. These traps are especially effective at capturing the invasive Aedes mosquito and are one of our primary means of surveillance for that particular mosquito

Bali recorded 2469 dengue fever cases in Jan-Mar 2023 ANTARA
Newshttps://en.antaranews.com > news > bali-recorded-246...
We knew this would happen Richard just before the release.
Information about dengue cases described in this manuscript is part of the data bank of the Yogyakarta City Health Office. Access to the data can be obtained by contacting Surveillance Division of Yogyakarta City Health Office.
https://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/16/10/1742

During five months of study period January 2016:

- A total of 29,252 female Aedes aegypti were captured in this study. The maximum number of Aedes aegypti mosquito population in BG-traps during the period was registered in January 2016
- From all 437 BG-traps, 19 were containing dengue-positive mosquitoes during February to May 2016. The average number of mosquitoes was 4 mosquitoes per trap per week. Average positivity rate was up to 1 per trap per week (data not shown). In total, 36 DENV-infected Aedes aegypti were detected
- The highest percentage of DENV-infected Aedes aegypti was recorded in March 2016.

How do they calculate the number of Wolbachia mosquitoes required for each area to eliminate dengue?

- From December 2015 to January 2016 NO DENV positive Aedes aegypti were detected.
- In February 2016, a total of one DENV positive Aedes aegypti was detected in Prenggan village.
- In March 2016, a total of 11 DENV positive Aedes aegypti were detected in the 8 villages of Bumijo, Kotabaru, Ngampilan, Muja-muju, Tahunan, Gedongkiwo, Mantrijeron, and Prenggan.
- In April 2016, a total of three DENV positive Aedes aegypti in the villages of Warungboto, Giwangan, and Prenggan.
- In May 2016, a total of four DENV positive mosquitos in village of Kricak, Sosromenduran, Baciro, and Rejowinangun. Interestingly, in the same area of Prengga
  - https://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/16/10/1742

Prevalence and Distribution of Dengue Virus in Aedes aegypti in Yogyakarta City before Deployment of Wolbachia Infected Aedes aegypti

- We explored whether there was a temporal correlation between the prevalence of DENV infected Aedes aegypti and notified dengue cases reported by district health office (Figure 4). Twelve cases (IR 0.27/10,000) were reported from Yogyakarta City District Health Office during December 2015, and an increasing number were reported later. In January 2016, 89 cases were reported (IR 2.15/10,000), 102 cases (IR 2.46/10,000), 132 cases (IR 3.19/10,000), 121 cases (IR 2.92/10,000) and 195 cases (IR 4.71/10,000), consecutively until May 2016.
- IN 2015 Across the province, there were 2,146 cases of dengue fever, up to 17 of them were fatal. In Yogyakarta city, the number of cases reached 890 with 10 fatalities.
- RICHARD THIS IS WHERE I WANTED TO ADD THE INFO ON SUICIDE DEATHS ETC TO COMPARE

Prevalence and Distribution of Dengue Virus in Aedes aegypti in Yogyakarta City before Deployment of Wolbachia Infected Aedes aegypti

This study may act as important baseline data of circulating dengue virus serotypes in Yogyakarta City before the implementation of Wolbachia technology. ( As a promising candidate for dengue transmission control, Wolbachia-infected Aedes aegypti may have an impact on the pattern of circulating dengue virus serotypes. Future study needs to address the role of environmental dynamics and dengue virus in areas dominated with Wolbachia-infected Aedes aegypti.

https://ugm.ac.id/en/news/15142-dengue-fever-cases-in-yogyakarta-are-declining/ Dengue fever cases in Yogyakarta during 2017 experiences a significant decrease. There were 1,705 cases where 13 of them led to mortality in the previous year, while this October, there are 383 cases where 2 of them caused mortality. The decrease of those cases is mainly caused by the program of spreading Wolbachia mosquitoes which are implemented in 12 regions in Yogyakarta City since the middle of this year. The spreading of Wolbachia mosquitoes is still running until the end of 2019.

# Dengue Fever Cases in Yogyakarta are Declining?

• However, the Head of Disease Control and Environmental Health Yogyakarta, Yudiria Amelia, has yet to conclude that the decrease of dengue fever is caused by Eliminate Dengue Project (EDP) programme. According to Yudiria, the decrease of dengue fever cases is also influenced by the weather factor due to the uneven rainfall during the season. "We have yet to be able to conclude the cause of the decrease of the dengue fever cases, because this research has not finished yet. If we consider the uneven rainfall which is different from the previous years, I think it might be the factor that causes the decrease of the cases," said Yudiria Amelia at UGM campus on Thursday (25/9).

https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1199044

• Bali records 2.4K dengue cases in Jan-March 2023

The downward trend in dengue cases is apparent from the overall figures, with 939 cases, with three deaths in January; 820 cases, with one death in February; and 710 cases, with one death in March

# Experimental Permits and the Nuremburg Code

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Contrary to Nuremburg Code

Following the criminal behaviour of the Nazis during and leading up to WW2, a code of conduct was adopted and applies to the mosquito programs and WHO Treaty: As a group of men and women bringing these charges to the police, we should not be expected to actually defend Indonesia against massive deployments of unregulated, genetically engineered biological agents, with intention to harm. We also should not have to warn the National Security department about allowing American AI technology to manage the infrastructure for the new capital.

Nonetheless, this is my written evidence to do exactly that. We are being used as human experimentation subjects so the Nuremberg Code must be followed. Secondly, I will show that the production and release of toxic mosquitoes fits the United Nations' own definition (1969) of weapons of mass destruction.

The ten points of the code were given in the section of the verdict entitled "Permissible Medical Experiments":

1. The voluntary consent of the human subject is absolutely essential. Communities, Heads of local communities, government ministers and planning departments were not informed, consulted or consensus reached. Both WMP and WHO only pretend they have the "community acceptance" and "consensus" they need to proceed. Only promotional material was delivered by the WMP, in formal presentations and to home owners and other facilitators they wanted to to recruit. The hidden technology, risks, experimental permit, and dangerous failures of the

trials and other releases were not disclosed.

2. The experiment should be such as to yield fruitful results for the good of society, unprocurable by other methods or means of study, and not random and unnecessary in nature.

Dengue cases were dropping anyway, without foreign biotechnology intervention. Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever was always very rare. Many increases in quality of life, screens for windows, water management, traditional medicines, and education for all, as to how to identify and dispose of mosquito eggs. To the contrary, two weeks before the release, the government withdrew Abate from the shops. Abate was the only detergent strong enough to kill the eggs of the Aedes Aegypti. The Ministry of Health shared the WHO narrative that the people have a choice between vectors or vaccines, and vectors are cheaper. This is a pharmaceutical industry business plan, not a strategy.

The WMP were supported, trained, funded and their products approved by the WHO"s Chief Scientist and funder of Oxitec's Genetically Modified Mosquitoes. Singapore manages mosquito breeding grounds by strict rules against uncovered water on people's property. Two years after massive mosquito releases in Sri Lanka, there is a world record number of Dengue cases and a larvae crisis. The President has recently ordered the army to tackle the "protracted crisis", track the eggs with drones and prosecute and fine the people in whose homes the eggs are found. Save The Children Fund UK are the main partners with Indonesia's Armed Forces, responsible for the United Nation's and World Health Organization's response to 'protracted crises' and Health Emergencies of International Concern.

3. The experiment should be so designed and based on a knowledge of the natural history of the disease or other problem under study that the anticipated results will justify the performance of the experiment. Vector-borne diseases spread as female mosquitoes bite and feed on human blood to breed. There is no natural history of laboratory-made diseases. Gain of function research, adding a greater transmissibility or a more lethal strain, using genetic engineering, creates pathogens that could NOT have happened in nature. Wolbachia bacteria was not found in the Aedes Aegypti for the last 360 billion years (natural history of evolution) but the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and WMP smuggled nano surveillance technology into the bacteria, designed to transmit and receive information using wireless networks. This was done using gene editing. Then, they partnered with Yogyakarta, informing it was a natural and harmless strain, unrelated to Wolbachia in human Filarial disease, water-borne disease and fish and bird parasitic Wolbachia. Using thousands of automated micro-injections, another form of genetic engineering, WMP forced the bacteria, into the egg and sperm of the adult mosquitoes - possibly in antibiotic resistant culture, until the mosquitoes survived and were able to breed and pass on the bacteria. They achieved manufactured consent in Indonesia through their funding of the University research but In Bali, the eggs were brought from Australia for breeding. In describing the 'anticipated results', WMP only claim that they have 'promising' results. They only used pop up clinics, PCR tests and 'capture and release' of a small number of mosquitoes, in the Yogyakarta trial of effectiveness. The risk assessment for the safety of releases was done exclusively by the WHO, using Microsoft artificial intelligence, in place of actual study and knowledge of the problem, and ignoring the short history of lab-produced

organisms and microorganisms and the impossibility of regulating them as invasive species, or stopping the spread of contamination or the gene transfer to the human microbiome.

4. The experiment should be so conducted as to avoid all unnecessary physical and mental suffering and injury.

The increase in mosquito bites lowers people immune system function. This is intentional as the Gates Foundation research goal is for mosquitoes to deliberately deliver vaccines at the site of bites, straight into the bloodstream. This is stated in their 2003International health Goals, for which they opened open funding to the university in Yogyakarta. Human blood is the food nosqutoes need before producing eggs. They produce eggs three times in their lifetime, 100 each time. Even one mosquito can make it impossible to sleep or relax and they can bite many times. The only way to avoid unnecessary suffering is to make sure they are not released at all. The only recovery proposal from damage done already with biotech, is the organic farm system. Where land lies fallow and no experimental products are used for 6 years. By then land has been shown to recover and all traces gone. The mental anguish and physical effort of the men and women who found out about the mosquitoes just six week from the release date and the struggle for agency - social conflict in order to protect Bali and their own lives and livelihoods.

5. No experiment should be conducted where there is an apriori reason to believe that

death or disabling injury will occur; except, perhaps, in those experiments where the experimental physicians also serve as subjects.

The WMP scientists admitted the mosquito eggs carried 11 other diseases in addition to the Wolbachia bacteria infection. They showed graphs and admitted they had known there was a spike in other dangerous mosquito species; the Culex and Anopheles, after the release of Aedes Aegypti. They admitted that, after the trials, the Culex species had caused an outbreak of Japanese Encephalitis, killing at least one child and life-threatening disabling injuries to at least four others. In response, the ministry of health immediately planned to administer a Japanese Encephalitis vaccine - another experimental biotech product - but thankfully it was stopped. Another a priori reason is that there is already a world-wide concern about gene drives and an agreement until recently that there should never be an open air release. Even a moratorium on gene drive research was demanded by conservation, food and health groups. Another A priori reason to believe that mass mosquito releases will cause death, is the Artificial Intelligence, which is a technology that has been programmed to the military protocol of retaliation. Furthermore, it is programmed to identify signature groups rather than legitimate targets and has raised the. Like the mosquitoes, AI is an indiscriminate weapon of war. The UN will know already that the 5G and 6G infrastructure is what is used to deliver data and that the data is ours but now it is the private property of someone else, who carries an exclusive claim and patent.

6. The degree of risk to be taken should never exceed that determined by the humanitarian

importance of the problem to be solved by the experiment.

The only problem being solved is how to strip developing countries of their natural

resources. First the biotech undermines the health of the nation, then countries are coerced into exploiting their environment and handing the resources over as partpayment of alleged national debts and to cover new financial obligations to the WHO. Infant technologies including mRNA and live GMO parasite 'vaccines, Internet Protocol Wolbachia method mosuitoes, IP Technology and wireless technologies rolled out simultaneously to surveillance and smart infrastructure are acting as one big weapon of mass destruction. The experimental permits are not awarded so that an experiment can be conducted. There are no placebos, there are no control groups that are not being subjected to the assault. As per the Nuremberg Code, a medical intervention can be charged as an assault, unless it is done with informed consent. Neither the WMP or SCF claim there will be any monitoring following their 'experiment', let alone anyone taking any responsibility for damages. In Bali's foreign-funded program the mosquitoes contain IP Technology which can see where the mosquitoes are and who they bite. No hospital or environmental protection agency will be given a sample of the mosquitoes, so that they can monitor its spread or appearance in public water or other species. An experimental permit is a legal instrument that now serves instead of meaningful regulation. Genetic engineering causes damage to the genome, and in its efforts to repair itself, it generates mutations, horizontal and inherited vertical gene transfer and unpredictable, unintended side effects. Even the basic import and export regulations, including no releases within 500 metres from a water course. In Indonesia, the Intelligence service have allowed in hundreds of millions of mosquito eggs, 500 eggs per small slip of paper.. Eggs that remain viable for over a year. There is no migration of mosquitoes due to climate change. The WHO and its funders are intentionally releasing them with impunity.

# 7. Proper preparations should be made and adequate facilities provided to protect the

experimental subject against even remote possibilities of injury, disability, or death. As with the WHO Treaty, there are no mechanisms for finishing the experiment and establishing its success. The WMP Risk Assessment and the WHO Treaty claim that if their products and recommendations do not achieve full acceptance by the community, or if any of the risks increase from 'negligible' the experiment must be stopped at work. Instead, there are no preparations in place. If Wolbachia-caused Elephantitis, River Blindness or Filarial disease become a problem, we will not be able to stop the mosquitoes on their breeding gene drive. When the IP Technology interacts with the new wifi frequencies, smart cities and other networks, an increase in radiating heat and widespread sickness follows. No research is being pursued in relation to the safety and efficacy of these interactions between new technologies and yet we feel them. People taking their own lives, arrhythmia of the heart, a diminishment of the microbiome of the eyes, migraines. We do not consent to being experimental subjects. The Health Minister, WMP, are SCF are not even thinking of protecting life - they are philanthropic front for acts of war, genocide, and intend to render Bali uninhabitable. We have identified that the 'new fogging solution' which is also Australian in partnership with Indonesia's government is biotech, with a biological action, and constitutes a poison that can be smoked into people's home. There is the threat of curfews, so people stay inside away from mosquitoes. And the threat of mosquito-delivered vaccines, with no traceability.

8. The experiment should be conducted only by scientifically qualified persons. The

highest degree of skill and care should be required through all stages of the experiment of those who conduct or engage in the experiment.

Save the Children Fund call themselves 'the implementers' of the program. WMP and Ministry of Health confirm that 'the implementers' are the organization that are formally liable for the mass mosquito releases and their consequences for human health, environment, water quality and loss of livelihoods and biodiversity. Save the Children Fund's Chairman and Co-chairperson admitted they had no scientific qualification or even understanding of biotechnology or health. Save The Children Fund also do not have any military skill

9. During the course of the experiment the human subject should be at liberty to bring the

experiment to an end if he has reached the physical or mental state where continuation

of the experiment seems to him to be impossible.

Even massive conflict between National defence and politicians has not been able to bring the experiment to an end. Even when children died of Japanese Encephalitis as a result of the trial, it was not stopped. Even when communities have made petitions to local government begging them to stop the mosquito program, it was totally ignored.

10. During the course of the experiment the scientist in charge must be prepared to terminate

the experiment at any stage, if he has probable cause to believe, in the exercise of the good faith, superior skill and careful judgment required of him that a continuation of the experiment is likely to result in injury, disability, or death to the experimental subject.

A release of biological organisms cannot be stopped, mosquitoes cannot be recalled. Gene drives are biotech that are designed to persist, by over-riding Mendelian Inheritance Laws of nature and passing even fatal traits to all offspring. Judgement of any trials or other releases show the parasites and symbiotic bacteria mutate and differentiate into dangerous variants of disease but WMP and Save The Children Fund determined to Scale Up the releases.

While there is a risk, the Nuremburg Code states it would be a crime to impose upon an individual and their children against their will.

In the 10th point specifically, it is a demonstrable crime that the WHO scientists have continued with these experimental releases at all.

The Hippocratic Oath demands: First do no harm.

Ref: https://committees.parliament.uk/writtenevidence/2267/pdf/ 21 April 2020

1st December 2023

<u>Critical Evaluation of Wolbachia Infection Study in Aedes aegypti in Yogyakarta</u> By: Richard Claproth

The preliminary study on Wolbachia infection in Aedes aegypti mosquitoes in Yogyakarta, published in a journal that has been banned by BRIN due to perceived doubts, is titled "Prevalence and Distribution of Dengue Virus in Aedes aegypti in Yogyakarta City before Deployment of Wolbachia-Infected Aedes aegypti," which can be downloaded here.

It should be understood that this research serves as the basis for spreading Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes in Indonesia.

The critical opinions below not only focus on the research methodology but also extend to the overall project's aspects, given its serious implications for ecosystems and public health. Policymakers are urged to halt the spread of millions infected with Wolbachia in Indonesia.

## 1. Methodological Limitations:

- The study relies on the One-Step Multiplex Real-Time PCR method for dengue virus detection. The sustainability and validity of these results need further evaluation using additional methods and verification techniques.
- One-Step Multiplex Real-Time PCR Method: This method has limitations in sensitivity and specificity. The study solely relies on one method for detecting dengue virus in mosquitoes. The use of additional methods, such as virus culture or alternative molecular methods, is needed to verify results and enhance confidence in the generated data. Due to method limitations, the sustainability of this study's results needs questioning. The addition of more valid methods and diversified detection techniques can provide a more accurate and reliable picture. This method is not sensitive enough to the genetic variations of the dengue virus that can affect detection results. The use of more advanced molecular techniques can address this uncertainty. Method limitations can trigger potential biases in result analysis. The addition of extra methods and verification techniques can help identify and reduce potential biases that may occur.

## 2. Limited Sample Representation:

- The taken samples may not adequately represent the environmental and condition variations throughout Yogyakarta City, which can influence result applicability at the national level.
- The number of samples taken over five months does not cover sufficient variations in environmental and geographical conditions across the research area. The selection of locations and sample collection periods should reflect the diversity of conditions that may affect dengue transmission.

## 3. Limited Duration:

- Lack of Seasonal Variation Coverage: Five months is a short period to observe seasonal variations in dengue transmission and mosquito activity. This limited time overlooks fluctuations that can occur during the rainy and dry seasons, significantly impacting the reproduction and activity of Aedes aegypti.
- Lack of Mosquito Life Cycle Coverage: The mosquito life cycle involves larval, pupal, and adult stages. Five months may not cover the entire life cycle, resulting in an inadequate understanding of how seasonal factors affect the reproduction and survival of Aedes aegypti.
- Unobserved Variability in Mosquito Populations: The short study period may fail to capture changes in mosquito populations that can occur significantly over a longer period. Fluctuations in mosquito numbers can directly impact dengue virus prevalence.
- Lack of Long-Term Pattern Identification: A five-month study does not provide a complete picture of the long-term patterns of dengue transmission. The long-term effects of environmental, climatic, and dengue transmission sustainability

factors may not be fully revealed.

- Inadequate Assessment of Epidemiological Dynamics: The limited duration does not allow for a comprehensive analysis of dengue epidemiological dynamics, including identifying long-term trends, transmission cycles, and evolving risk factors over time.
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## 4. Focus on Aedes aegypti:

- The study focuses on Aedes aegypti, while Aedes albopictus can also be a potential vector. A comprehensive evaluation of the role of Aedes albopictus in dengue spread should also be considered.
- Neglect of Aedes albopictus: The study exclusively focuses on Aedes aegypti, overlooking the potential role of Aedes albopictus as a dengue vector. Aedes albopictus is known as an alternative vector and can significantly contribute to dengue virus transmission.
- Potential Inaccuracy of Information: Neglecting Aedes albopictus can lead to inaccuracies in understanding the dynamics of dengue transmission. Comprehensive information about both mosquito species is essential for planning and implementing effective control strategies.
- Limited Impact on Dengue Control: The study's focus only on Aedes aegypti may limit the relevance of findings to overall dengue control efforts. Aedes albopictus should be comprehensively evaluated to understand the complete picture of dengue transmission risk.
- Need for Evaluation of Aedes albopictus Role: A comprehensive evaluation of the role of Aedes albopictus in dengue spread should be the focus of further studies. Continued research should include identification, monitoring, and analysis of Aedes albopictus's contribution to dengue virus transmission.
- Importance of a Multivector Approach: To fully understand the dynamics of dengue transmission, it is crucial to adopt a multivector approach that considers the relative contributions of both Aedes aegypti and Aedes albopictus. Focusing only on one vector may overlook the actual variability and complexity in the dengue transmission ecosystem.

## 5. Lack of Epidemiological Analysis:

- The study has not provided a sufficiently in-depth epidemiological analysis regarding the correlation between dengue virus infection in mosquitoes and the number of dengue cases in humans.
- Lack of Correlation Analysis: The study fails to provide adequate epidemiological analysis to explain the correlation between dengue virus infection in mosquitoes and the number of dengue cases in humans. This inability diminishes the understanding of the relationship between mosquitoes as vectors and the burden of dengue disease in the human population.
- Limitations in Epidemiological Information: The lack of epidemiological analysis results in limitations in providing in-depth insights into the impact of dengue virus infection in mosquitoes on the occurrence of dengue disease in humans. This information is crucial for the development of control and mitigation strategies.
  - Lack of Presentation of Epidemiological Data: The study does not

provide adequate presentation of epidemiological data, such as dengue incidence trends, seasonal patterns, and other epidemiological characteristics. This hinders the ability to make significant epidemiological inferences.

- Absence of Risk Factor Analysis: More in-depth epidemiological analysis typically includes the identification of risk factors contributing to increased dengue cases. The study lacks information regarding these risk factors.
- Unclear Implications for Control: Without adequate epidemiological analysis, the implications and relevance of the study's findings for dengue control and risk mitigation strategies become unclear. Effective control strategies require a comprehensive understanding of the epidemiological dynamics of the disease.

## 6. Lack of Ecosystem Impact Assessment:

- The ecological impact of spreading millions of Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes has not been adequately evaluated. Risks to the ecosystem and biodiversity need further analysis.
- Unevaluated Ecological Impact: This study does not provide a sufficient evaluation of the ecological impact of spreading millions of Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes. This creates uncertainty about the long-term consequences of this large-scale intervention on the local ecosystem.
- Uncertainty Regarding Ecosystem Risks: Potential risks to the ecosystem and biodiversity, both arising from the introduction of Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes and their impact on non-target organisms, have not been analyzed in detail. The lack of this assessment creates uncertainty about potential ecosystem impacts.
- Need for In-Depth Risk Analysis: A more in-depth risk analysis is required to evaluate possible side effects on other organisms in the ecosystem. Comprehensive ecological studies can provide a better understanding of the complexity of Wolbachia's impact on ecosystem balance.
- Sustainability and Ecological Monitoring: The lack of emphasis on sustainability and ecological monitoring indicates a deficiency in study planning. Ecosystem impact assessments should involve long-term monitoring to capture effects over a sufficiently extended period.
- Local Ecological Knowledge Limitations: This study inadequately considers local ecological knowledge that could enrich the understanding of the ecosystem where Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes are introduced. Involvement of local ecological experts could be an added value.

#### 7. Lack of Inclusion of Environmental Factors:

- The study may not have comprehensively included environmental factors, such as housing conditions, sanitation, and human population density, which can affect dengue virus spread.
- Limitations in Understanding Environmental Factors: This study does not provide a comprehensive overview of environmental factors that can affect dengue virus spread. Limited understanding of housing conditions, sanitation, and human population density can hinder the interpretation of research results.
- Limitations in Explaining Ecosystem-Human Interactions: Not including environmental factors comprehensively can limit the study's ability to explain the complex interactions between the ecosystem, vector mosquitoes, and the human population. This can inhibit a comprehensive understanding of the dynamics of dengue virus spread.

- Lack of Multivariable Analysis: Limitations in including environmental factors also affect the study's ability to perform adequate multivariable analysis. More complex analyses can provide better insights into the relative contribution of environmental factors to dengue virus spread.
- Need for Integration of Environmental Data: This study needs to benefit from the integration of more detailed environmental data, including variables such as housing cleanliness, sanitation patterns, and population density. Integrating this data can result in a deeper understanding of the environmental context.

## 8. Lack of Community Involvement:

- Community involvement in the planning and implementation of this project may not be adequately represented. Community participation should be the main focus to achieve sustainability.
- Suboptimal Community Involvement: This study does not emphasize community involvement sufficiently in the planning and implementation of the project. Lack of involvement can harm the sustainability of the project and the effectiveness of implementation in the field.
- Lack of Clear Community Involvement Plan: The absence of a clear plan on how the community is involved in the project can lead to a lack of support, understanding, and acceptance from involved parties. A more structured community involvement plan can enhance project effectiveness.
- Perception and Community Needs Gap: Not taking into account the gap between community perceptions and needs with the project plan can result in an imbalance in implementation. Optimal community involvement should reflect local aspirations and needs.
- Limitations in Addressing Local Challenges: Without involving the community comprehensively, the project struggles to identify and address local challenges that may arise during implementation. Community involvement can provide crucial insights into local dynamics.

#### Recommendations:

- Further and Longer Studies:
- Conduct further studies with a more comprehensive design and longer duration to understand the long-term effectiveness and impacts of the project.
  - Ecosystem and Biodiversity Analysis:
- Investigate the ecological impacts and potential threats to biodiversity alongside the spread of Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes.
  - In-Depth Epidemiological Analysis:
- Conduct a more in-depth epidemiological analysis to understand the relationship between mosquito infection and dengue cases in humans.
  - Expansion to Aedes albopictus:
- Evaluate the role of Aedes albopictus as a potential vector, expanding the understanding of dengue spread comprehensively.
  - Comprehensive Environmental Assessment:
- Include a more comprehensive environmental assessment, incorporating factors such as housing and human population density.
  - Participatory Community Planning:
- Involve the community more actively in project planning and implementation, providing better education to them.
  - Health and Safety Risk Analysis:

- Perform a comprehensive health and safety risk analysis related to human interaction with Wolbachia-infected mosquitoes.
  - Independent Evaluation:
- Conduct an independent evaluation by experts not involved in the project to ensure the integrity and validity of the study results.

#### 6th December 2023

Following up the intuition that the United States should use its power of VETO over the United Nations and stop the agenda.

Beginning another strategy of conducting a hearing in the Planning Department rather than wait for a court hearing:

To the Children's Health Defense lawyers in the US.

"Good luck fighting the proliferation of unregulated cell towers/energy weapons and the Bill H.R. 3557. Attached is my friend, Diarmaid Mulcahy's presentation to the EU against 5G (particularly around schools) when he was nominated as an MEP a few years ago.

On the wider power grab, I notice that the US amongst others can VETO the United Nations on sovereignty grounds.

'In that time, only one veto has been cast with a clear reference to the permanent member's own security or sovereignty.

Instead, vetoes have mostly been cast to protect allies or to limit how much the UN can get involved in other states internal affairs.'

If you would like to partner with lawyer Philip Kruse who is representing 11 Members of the European Parliament in claiming the illegitimacy and illegality of the IHR and Treaty, please.get in touch with him kruse@kruse-law-ch and us in Indonesia blocking GM mosquitoes, experimental vaccines and digital passports while at the same time finding out that indonesia submitted and welcomed most of the things from the United Nations/WHO, in the first place

https://stopillegitimatevetoes.org/about-the-veto/how-is-the-veto-used/

We have an upcoming opportunity to meet with Indonsia's health minister and maybe ambassador, to the United Nations (based in NY) in front of the Coordination Committee and military, who are both on our side as they were not asked about the introduction of hundreds of millions of mosquitoes engineered to carry Wolbachia IP Technology and the biosecurity risk. After being offered this meeting, I revisited my legal strategy and noticed "a charge of treason or of any offence against the security of the state brought against ministers needs the initiative of one guarter of the members of the Corordination Dept and military and the approval of the majority thereof. I realized that this would be a day when lawyers working on this could attend and manage it like a court and explore the range of criminal, civil and treasonous charges levelled against them. If it worked, these could be applied to Health ministers (WHO delegates) and United Natoins representatives and the big funders and bodies actually, a few at a time and not only stop the UN and all the heinous initiatives but also claim compensation for the people in each country from the Pandemic Treaty. I wondered if Russia used this right to VETO yet when they withdrew and helped 10 others

Many thanks for your interest. Recently, I served notice on the director general of the WHO, demanding answers to due diligence questions (inspired by my time at Institute For Responsible Technology) and also appealed to countries who have withdrawn from the WHO to help others who have or are trying to, as the retaliations have already started here in Bali. I will forward those emails.

Thank you for your interest, Kind regards,"

#### 6th December

# More on the plan for establishing Charges of Treason against the Security of the State

by bringing together all Coordination ministers, including Health and Defence Ministers:

I think we have the opportunity to consider charges of treason in a formal setting without involving a court. Have you been invited to (or even heard of) this public meeting being set up with the Health Minister? I think we should make sure Arrmanatha Nasir - Indonesia's UN ambassador.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arrmanatha\_Nasir is there too, and the Defense minister to share their understanding of the agreements they have made on behalf of Indonesia.

It should be held by the full Coordination Committee and Military; Navy, Army, Airforce, and Police Generals.

This is because Richard said that the Planning Minister is very keen to challenge the WHO and for this to happen, the Health Minister has to be charged and now we know that the Defense Minister must be charged as well, with at least Ministerial Criminal Responsibility. This was a term I explored when developing an early legal strategy (which I probably sent to you) For example, in the Indonesian Second Book of Crimes, V11 cover crimes against the safety of other persons and property.

We need a bigger case that can be transferred to other countries and charges of treason against the security of the state need the initiative of one quarter of the members of the Corordination Dept and Military and the approval of the majority thereof. These exact people will be at the meeting.

I have invited the lawyers from World Council For Health, who can be there in the background so it can take place mainly in Bahasa Indonesia as such a meeting usually would but because it is a public meeting, it will be streamed and or the full transcript made public.

I will send you my WHO Treaty Due Diligence Questions so that they can be translated and used in the meeting and then also maybe the lawyers can propose some questions and they can be translated in readiness as well. The meeting will take place and then all the lawyers and other interested parties can use the information gathered to stop the mosquitoes and the WHO and, indeed the United Nations.

It is this serious because I gather the Partnership between the US and UK who want to get a nuclear submarine for Australia (and probably require Indonesia's uranium) have taken an interest and offered the meeting. We need our whole people there.

I also found out that China, UK, France, Russia and America can VETO the WHO and I think it might be the American lawyers who can bring that possibility to realization.

8th December 2023 - I find out about the AUKUS Nuclear Submarine partnership and knowing what that means for Indonesia

Coordination Committee (Bappenas) with lawyers present to hold UN and WHO ambassadors to account

The following is the public meeting proposed in the confidential group which I think would be much better facilitated as a Coordination Committee Meeting, to formally invite Minister of health, Minister of Defense and Ambassador to the UN to discuss the WHO Treaty and the UN COP28 (link below: surveillance and climate action going through). Lawyers from Children's Health Defense Africa and World Council for Health lawyers against the WHO have been invited to contribute and be there, in the foreground or background. It can be conducted on Zoom and the objective is specifically to gather evidence on record that shows treason against the security of the state. The military must be there as well, because charges of Treason must be agreed by a small percentage of the Coordination Committee and a small percentage of the military. It doesn't need to be anything like a court, just a justified meeting called, which those three officials know more about than the rest of the Coordination Committee ministers. Then the transcript is translated and made available to all the lawyers to use in the countries where they are representing ministers and others against the WHO/UN

This was the meeting being set up in a way that sounded many alarm calls to me as he was so over-familiar about everyone.

"Another important topic, I was asked in my today's meeting: Do we want to officially challenge the Ministry of Health in a discussion.

"Believe it or not, we can possibly setup a public Meeting with the MoH to answer our questions. Do we want that? Yes/No?"

Blessed morning everyone, currently discussing the scope/goals of the meeting (local, national, international ...), list of participants and who is inviting whom. Stay tuned!

I asked: Thanks, are you working with Deva to set up the meeting? "No"

A few messages later in conversation with Michael:

"For the moment, I can only say, that we made a lot noise, and that this meeting will be now ordered top down. The meeting with StC etc. was bottom up on a local level. Now it became a matter of national security. Let's see ..."

The aim is now, to send a strong message to the world that Bali will be safe and WMP will be expelled from the island. This will weaken the propaganda by the Australian Tourism Ministry, which always aims to stop Aussies from coming to Bali. A mosquito plague would achieve exactly this and is for sure part of their Agenda! That was also part of the discussion yesterday. Good luck with getting a neutral article out into the Australian news! I never saw one until today.

Since the last AUSMIN meeting in July, where AUKUS members strengthened their military ties to counter superpower China, I have become more confident that we will

publish a positive article there and not in Australia. It's ridiculous."

I have no idea what this conversation above means but I looked up AUKUS and just noticed that in my screenshot it had above it that "Arkus members must maintain warm ties with Indonesia regardless of who wins the Presidential election!"

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/AUKUS - partnership between UK, US to help Australia get nuclear submarines.

This is the treason, to commit Indonesia to a treaty that will mean it is forced to exploit its resources at its own expense to provide fuel and weapons for Australia's nuclear submarines - that sail 365 a year regardless of war or peace as its too dangerous to turn them on or off. They want Indonesia's resources and force their extraction on climate action grounds. Hence all the military involvement but token characters, not the senior officials who actually care or understand biosafety and protecting Indonesia from misuse.

This is the plan that Biden made with the president: The Semi-conductor eco system! https://id.usembassy.gov/fact-sheet-president-joseph-r-biden-and-president-joko-widodo-announce-the-u-s-indonesia-comprehensive-strategic-partnership/

This is the mining that I believe Biden wants to help Indonesia with: https://secure.avaaz.org/campaign/en/deep\_sea\_mining\_norway\_lec/?blSGXab&v= 152819&cl=20989821612&\_checksum=b2c0223f58b57533a516514dcb08003401c1 d68bca32c9a8983993977fb2ca8

This is the WHO's own review of the financing of the Treaty and UN CLimate action being finalized at COP28 this week. All of which your planning minister would like to know about I'm sure!!

https://www.who.int/news/item/02-12-2023-41-funders--partners-endorse-new-guiding-principles-for-financing-climate-and-health-solutions-to-protect-health

I was looking at the United Nations who are based in New York and found this ambassador for Indonesia who is in charge of the seabed authority. I also shared the UN ambassador's list to ask Nicola if they were the same ambassadors as we appealed to, to encourage their countries to exit the WHO! I don't know yet.

Indonesia's ambassador is on the Rulers List !!!! https://rulers.org/indexn1.html

List of current permanent representatives to the United Nations - Wikipedia

All the different UN bodies behind the initiatives

https://www.un.org/en/about-us/main-bodies

This may explain why bio-surveillance, regulation and marine biotech are already in place for Indonesia.

Is the geothermal a resource they might be after, I asked google:

https://www.thinkgeoenergy.com/indonesia-behind-in-exploiting-its-geothermal-resources/

Jeremy Farrar: WHO's head scientist: 13 years. in Oxford University and Vietnam on Mosquitoes - Wolbachia. Director of Global Implementation.

https://www.worldmosquitoprogram.org/en/work/about-us/team/cameron-simmons

Katie Anders epidemiologist and doctoral scholar at the Oxford University Clinical Research Unit in Vietnam - WMP Director Impact Assessment https://www.worldmosquitoprogram.org/en/work/about-us/team/katie-anders

Scott O'Neill - genetic engineering work

https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=DNv\_re0AAAAJ&hl=en -

13th December 2023 The Deadly Trap of Indonesia's New Capital, Nusantara, being an American-operated SMART city.

The new capital and the passing of control of everything to foreign entities.

I contacted, via the first two links, people to call for a 'postponement' of Elon Musks' technology and help with a lawsuit against the WEF.

https://www.rfsafe.com/will-elon-musk-engulf-planet-with-cancer-causing-microwave-radiation/

https://eraoflight.com/2023/12/12/prominent-swiss-banker-calls-for-arrest-of-entire-world-economic-forum-2/

Weapons of Mass Destruction https://id.wikipedia.org/wiki/Senjata\_pemusnah\_massal

what does IKN stand for?

This is the abbreviation for Nusantara (the new capital city for Indonesia on Kalimantan) but it is a common abbreviation for 'I know not'

So the Indonesian president was in America talking about I know not what! https://www.bangkokpost.com/business/investment/2648605/indonesia-seeks-investors-to-develop-new-capital

The president has said that Indonesia will only pay for 20% of the new capital. He's encouraging others to invest like Thailand, but Bill Gates' Microsoft is the biggest contributor.

## APEC builders for Nusantara

https://www.apec.org/docs/default-source/publications/2022/12/policy-development-for-green-building-concept-implementation-towards-low-carbon-city/222\_ewg\_policy-development-for-green-building-concept-implementation-towards-low-carbon-city.pdf?sfvrsn=db095c21\_2

PUPR says the first houses for Ministers and the Indonesian Security Forces are 42% finished.

https://en.tempo.co/read/1807780/govt-says-progress-for-ministerial-houses-in-ikn-reaches-42-percent?tracking\_page\_direct

Bill Gates has just finished 47 months of funding through Fintech, for Jakarta is just finished

https://www.gatesfoundation.org/about/committed-grants/2019/10/inv001331

The REDD Incentives for governments to not cut down forests. Could it be used. Has it been misused by new Magrove plantations for Biotech use?

https://www.un-redd.org/sites/default/files/2021-

10/Can%20fragile%20state%20decide%20to%20reduce%20deforestation%20%20Elsevier%20-Forest%20Policy%20and%20Economics%20-%20June%202011.pdf

Ministers of public works and marine https://southeastasiaglobe.com/indonesias-new-capital-covid19/

https://www.reuters.com/world/asia-pacific/indonesia-investigating-explosion-bandung-police-station-media-2022-12-07/
Bandung Suicide bomber criticizing new criminal code

The President also thought the criminal code needed more 'Socialization' https://www.hrw.org/news/2022/12/08/indonesia-new-criminal-code-disastrous-rights

https://bimp-eaga.kalbarprov.go.id/press/regional-secretary-of-west-kalimantan-believes-the-25th-ptm-bimp-eaga-in-west-kalimantan-will-be-succeed Trade meeting

They plan to exploit Rattan and Mangrove roots - INBAR Transfer of Technology United Nations Model for Kilimantan

https://www.linkedin.com/company/inbar-official/?trk=public\_profile\_experience-item\_profile-section-card\_image-click&originalSubdomain=th

#### Rattan

https://www.fao.org/3/y2783e/y2783e.pdf https://www.fao.org/3/x5860e/x5860e04.htm

Monkeypox case in Bandung in October 2023https://jabarprov.go.id/en/berita/kasus-cacar-monyet-muncul-di-kota-bandung-pemkot-imbau-masyarakat-perhatikan-ini-11179

## Mangrove Blotech

https://annalsmicrobiology.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1007/s13213-012-0442-7

Modified method is efficient in obtaining high-quality RNA from mangrove roots and is suitable for downstream experiments such as cDNA synthesis, real-time quantitative PCR and next-generation sequencing.

Conservation, medicine etc

https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37288480/

## 50,000 mangrove trees

https://mowilex.com/en/press-release/mowilex-donates-5000-trees-to-revive-the-damaged-mangrove-swamp-in-tukad-mati-bali/

Inappropriate use of government incentives to stop de-forestation https://www.un-redd.org/sites/default/files/2021-10/Can%20fragile%20state%20decide%20to%20reduce%20deforestation%20-%20Elsevier%20-Forest%20Policy%20and%20Economics%20-%20June%202011.pdf

Phytoremediation -soil remediation a terrible soil microbiome "Green Technology" to clean polluted soil.

https://www.researchgate.net/publication/363088869\_Mangroves\_as\_potential\_agents\_of\_Phytoremediation\_A\_review

According to the Rome Statute, it is the duty of every State to exercise its criminal jurisdiction over those responsible for international crimes. The International Criminal Court can only intervene where a State is unable or unwilling to genuinely carry out the investigation and prosecute the perpetrators.

The Rome Statute \* Skip forward to 5th April 2024 The UN were trying to push through a change to the Rome Statute, to make defining oneself as a biological man or woman would become punishable as a 'crime against humanity'. Therefore I got my Appeal into the Federal Supreme Court before my jurisdiction as a woman became impossible to establish, without committing a crime against humanity!

I was just sending our email to all the Kodim (military) and came across this. It's a new UN brigade. I only found a 622 in Sri Lanka so far 622nd Infantry Battalion (New raising) https://www.army.lk/news/622-infantry-brigade-troops-donors-support-get-school-accessories-dry-rations-100-families

Kodim Whistleblowing system https://www.asabri.co.id/pengaduan

621st Raider Infantry Battalion/Manutung I think this is a US Army Pacific Division

A UN Army exercise?

https://admm.asean.org/dmdocuments/2020\_April\_13th%20ADMM-Plus%20EWG%20on%20PKO%20and%20MPC\_Sydney,7-9%20November%202018\_Annex%201.%20EWG%20PKO%20Registration%20List.pdf

This head of Java Field Police ran an Avian Flu Pandemic Preparedness Project (with Sir Jeremy Farrah head scientist of WHO discovered that H5N1 had emerged in nature again - that's what they engineered in Farrar's Vietnam. Tropical Diseases Unit.

Tubagus Arie ("Kak Arie") Rukmantara https://www.linkedin.com/in/tubagus-arie-rukmantara-a93b0a23/?original\_referer=https%3A%2F%2Fwww%2Egoogle%2Ecom%2F&originalSubdomain=id

https://www.thejakartapost.com/opinion/2023/03/29/analysis-deputy-ministers-bribery-revives-mining-takeover-case.html

PT Citra Lampia Mandiri

https://www.theborneopost.com/2023/12/08/indonesian-deputy-minister-resigns-amid-corruption-allegations/

The nickel is used for very exploited battery components What is indoniesia's nickel used for

https://www.neimagazine.com/news/newsindonesia-adopts-regulation-on-uranium-mining-and-prepares-for-possible-npp-

10485065#:~:text=According%20to%20BRIN%27s%20Awaludin%2C%20Indonesia, MWe%20nuclear%20for%2030%20years.

Oh no, a mining uranium working party!

ARKUS news they will get the Australian nuclear submarines as soon as possible but will rigorously avoid proliferation of weapons of mass destruction somehow at the same time.

https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/04/05/fact-sheet-implementation-of-the-australia-united-kingdom-united-states-partnership-aukus/

18th December 2023 - Attempts to Stop Elon Musk's 180 day permit. Richard C Cook, Treasurer who intends to end usury was, before that, the whistle blower on the Challenger Disaster in 1985, which meant that nuclear weapons were not put in space. I asked him if he would again try and block the weaponisation of space, this time by Elon Musk in his Star Link project.

"I was wondering if you have the energy for another whistle blowing case. Elon Musk has just been given a 180 day permit to radiate us with his 5G but it coincides with his data collection mission for his DOJO AI project. SImultaneously, the founder of the WEF's son wants to expel the WEF from Geneva so that they can't all enjoy diplomatic immunity and keep funding the biotech that he and his Mum are dying from. We have offered to heal him so that he can see his vision come true. I would like for us all to set up a bank so when the UN and the WEF and friends/funders do come to account, that money can be shared between everyone. The Arkus partnership is a deal between US UK and Australia where the first two will buy Australia 8 nuclear submarines. The UN will then insist Indonesia exploits its nuclear resources to arm and run it. they will say they need the resources on clean energy!! 'Climate action' grounds. It is deep stuff but I need you to help me put together a case against the WEF and the weaponization of space again. thanks so much, Frances

18th December to Professor Richard Claproth, on the assembling of Public Banks I would like your help in setting up public banks so that when we seize the assets of Elon Musk, Gates and that Pandemic Fund, we can distribute it safely. The team are all healers and include you, me, Dr Kun (on AI), Richard C Cooke (US Usury expert) Diarmaid Mulcahy (Public Banking and stop 5G MEP candidate (I sent you his 5G presentation), the WEF member, the MEP (Pierre Larrouturou) who went on hunger strike for 30 days to try and persuade the rest of the European economic commission to get financial institutions to agree to pay a 0.01% tax during the

pandemic as they were making so much money on making everyone use their cards, rather than cash. These are the only responsible adults I can think of so far that should be in charge of money when this is all over! It has been upsetting me since I heard that Indonesian's make an average of 3000 dollars a year and Australians make an average of 45,000 dollars!

The following are papers that were sent privately to me but I've decided you are my main hope of ever bringing banks like this to realization, for the Indonesian provinces and all the other UN member states. I will forward the other link Harald Felzen (Head of the International Cooperative Arm of the big German Sparkassen Bank) sent to me so that between us all we can communicate and hatch a plan so we are ready to level the playing field and protect Bali's waterways and Ireland's and everyone else's ecology and food security too, by starting public banks with a golden peg of water and subsistence farm land.

Harald's email is below. I will send the other names and contact details.

I am going to say we will help this man and his Mum heal (he describes himself and her as 'dying from their vaccine injuries'). He is the son of the founder of the WEF and wants to expel the WEF and the WHO/UN from Geneva so they can face arrest. He has filed criminal charges on the Swiss Prime Minister to expel them. Jane informed me that Donald Trump put legislation in place for seizing assets of people who try and swing elections, so we can use this instrument to sue the funders and authorities who are seeking election through this WHO/UN power grab.

Firstly, we need to demand that the FCC (the US technology certification authority) withdraw Elon Musk's 180 day experimental permit to radiate us all and collect huge amounts of data for his DOJO AI computer project - He and T Mobile - the devices producer he is partnering with, have over a billion dollars paid already in lawsuits for their legal and compliance violations.

If we write something about it, we can give it to the Congressmen who are listening to us already - Dan Fernandez and his team. Congress is over the FCC in authority!!

## 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Tofan and I sent Email to 300 Indonesian Parliamentarians and 300 Military, in regard to AI, biotech, national security and class actions.

Written in Bahasa Indonesia.

Machine Translated by Google

December 19, 2023

Indonesian Democratic Party of Struggle Faction

Chairman of the People's Representative Council of the Republic of Indonesia Nusantara III Building

Jalan Gatot Subroto, Senayan Jakarta 10270

Subject: Can You Stop the Spread of Wolbachia Mosquitoes?

Happy 75th National Defense Day!

Yours faithfully,

We invite the respected Chairperson of the DPR-RI to take the time to carefully

evaluate all aspects related to the Wolbachia Mosquito Spreading program.

Together with this email, we present information as a reference for knowledge about the Wolbachia Mosquito and its technological developments which can be mastered just by studying each link that we include.

We want to ensure that the policies taken are in the interests of society as a whole. Nation's Gladiator Petition

More than 5000 Indonesians signed the petition stating that they want a due diligence process to be carried out.

In this Petition, quite comprehensive information is provided as a reference for knowledge about the Wolbachia Mosquito and biotechnology which is commonly used by foreign militaries by utilizing nanotechnology.

Nanotechnology

We hope that this email can provide complete and clear information so that you, as Chair of the Indonesian People's Representative Council, will have enough references to make the best decisions for the Indonesian nation.

The Mangkus said it is not an appropriate and respectful response to any health or environmental problem. Jro Mangku Gusti made a statement rejecting the Wolbachia Mosquito-spreading program and all GMOs applied to any health action strategies and WHO scenarios. He said "Bali is the island of the Gods, not a place to play God"

The government's program to tackle Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF) by breeding hundreds of millions of Aedes aegypti mosquitoes has become a controversial topic and has reaped pros and cons in society. WMP (World Mosquito Program) requires 90% approval from the community before they can carry out the distribution of Wolbachia mosquito eggs, which they did not get in Indonesia.

The reason there has been resistance to the program recently is because they did not ask for approval from the community. Only on September 15 2023, they made an announcement via an Instagram post: https://www.instagram.com/p/CxNITlcr9py/

Denpasar Mayor I Gusti Ngurah Jaya Negara stated that the Denpasar Bali City Government plans to carry out mass distribution of Aides aegypti mosquito eggs exposed to Wolbachia bacteria as an effort to optimize prevention of the spread of dengue hemorrhagic fever (DHF) starting on the 13th November 2023 It is not a coincidence that the Mayor referred to dengue hemorrhagic fever (DHF), which is a more serious and rare type of dengue fever. When

dengue fever is common, the same parties - Bill Gates, Minister for health, WHO and pharmaceutical industry manufacturers would then prescribe the use of an experimental vaccine funded by the same people.

An example is the incident in Kalimantan, where mosquitoes were distributed and then dengue fever vaccines to children. At the same time, Gates and the WHO say there is no successful vaccine for Dengue yet.

INFORMATION ON THE RELEASE OF 200 MILLION MOSQUITOES IN BALI

Evolutionary pressure after the release of Wolbachia mosquito eggs can make the DB virus more virulent. This principle states that in environments with selection pressures, species tend to evolve to develop characteristics that make them more resistant or hardy to those pressures.

Evolutionary Pressure in the Context of the Wolbachia Mosquito: By introducing the Wolbachia Mosquito into the Aides aegypti

mosquito population, a new environment is created that allows for evolutionary pressure, which can

lead to more serious types of DB such as dengue hemorrhagic fever. This is because the DB virus and other pathogens will adapt to survive.

Wolbachia works by infecting and altering the reproductive and immune systems of mosquitoes. The mosquitoes

and diseases that do survive will likely have a selective advantage and make them endemic where they were not before.

Zika was considered a harmless disease until a mass release of mosquitoes was carried out in Brazil.

Link to Frances' white paper: "Mosquitoes From a Microbial Perspective"

The resource person present was Frances Micklem, who was involved in researching, writing and editing the white paper for the Institute for Responsible Technology. Their focus is on raising awareness about the dangers of microbial gene editing because unlike chemical contamination, microbes spread and mutate. This technology is now widely used by society and is planned by WHO and the UN for use in the pharmaceutical industry, green technology, pesticides, agriculture, food industry and national security.

#### Committee Roster link

The first urgent Zoom meeting called by Professor Richard Claproth was also attended by Prof. Adi Utarini and Pak Warsito as Wolbachia researchers from UGM, and Tjok Gde Kerthyasa, a practitioner who specializes in hemopathy and has studied the problem of dengue fever.

Apart from the speakers, the Zoom Meeting included participants from the Ministry of Health, BAPPENAS and other

government institutions.

Many foreigners who have lived in Bali for a long time

attended because of their concerns about the program to

spread mosquito eggs infected with Wolbachia which is scheduled to be distributed on November 13, 2023.

YouTube link Mosquito Genetic Engineering as a Bioweapons - All Gladiator Bangsa evidence has been unlawfully deleted.

In relation to the Cartagena Protocol and Protocol Nagoya, Wolbachia Mosquito distribution program raises concerns;

1 Wolbachia is IP Protected whose intellectual property rights are patented and enjoy local environmental protection and

doctors will not be allowed to test the effects of these mosquitoes.

- 2 Mosquito eggs are exempt from import and export regulations so they can pass without any security inspection.
- 3 mosquito species are being used and utilized in military technology, to expand surveillance capacity.
- 4 Security testing is carried out with the Microsoft Al program. 5 No field trials have been conducted

previously for gene drives because they cannot be returned to their original state.

6 The Wolbachia Mosquito Program lacks coordination with departments related to national interests.

7 There is no person responsible if there is an impact or negative outcome of the program. The Implementers, scientists and MoH deny liability.

8 Ethical principles such as permission from the community

Prior to this, information must be provided explaining the advantages and disadvantages, benefits and dangers, weaknesses and

shortcomings of the Wolbachia Mosquito distribution program. There has been no informed consent.

9 Research into the environmental impact of trials in Jogjakarta was not measured.

10 Social awareness of the program is very minimal.

11 The economic impact of fewer tourists and foreign workers is not considered.

12 Consultation and coordination with the Ministry

Defense and Security and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry, even with BAPPENAS, have not taken place, even though this mosquito program is mass-producing biological agents to be released in Indonesia which will have a wide impact and have the potential to be detrimental and even dangerous, intentionally or unintentionally.

13 Security is covered by an American agency, namely DARPA, which is recommended by WHO, and has a diplomatic immunity in Geneva, which is funded privately by a family in Australia.

14 Worst of all, we discovered that Wolbachia mosquitoes contain Internet Protocol Technology, which the health minister knew about, from information disclosed by program researchers.

Link: IP Technology

15 Risk of moderate endemic and early childhood. Short, medium and long term risks

of the Wolbachia Mosquito egg dispersal program are unpredictable.

Fortunately, on November 5 2023, the Acting Governor of Bali sent representatives from the Bali Health Service to meet with Gladiator Nation, the Bali community and Bali Solidarity at the "Car Free Day" event in front of the Bajra Sandhi Monument to inform them that there would be coordination

with the Bali Health Office regarding the program release of Wolbachia mosquitoes. And it would be postponed.

We were invited to an emergency meeting regarding the mosquito program in the coming days. I sent an email to all the attendees representing several stakeholders so they were informed and aware of our concerns.

The following is a list of stakeholders listed in the meeting invitation regarding the mosquito program planned for Bali.

During this meeting, it was revealed that the mass release of Wolbachia mosquitoes in Bali (Denpasar and Buleleng) was not a program from

the central government, but rather a program implemented by Save the Children and WMP (World Mosquito Program) without a formal legal basis with the

Bali government. It was also revealed that stakeholders had received money in exchange for allowing the release of mosquitoes.

You might be interested to know whether the same stakeholders are informed in other cities as well?

Bali is lucky to know that the implementation of the Wolbachia Mosquito program is illegal so it can be stopped, while other cities should still be

able to stop the program even though it is a program from the central government.

Is the same information also given in other cities?

Has it been shared that there are now questions about safety or efficacy, and there are now criminal investigations into the implementers, WMP and Save the Children? Professor Richard Claproth, accompanied by Dewa Putu

Sudarsana, submitted a report about illegal activities and spreading fake news carried out by WMP and Save The Children to the Police Station in Bali.

The health and monitoring programs implemented by the Minister of Health are based on WHO instructions, without coordinating with the Ministry of

Defense and Security and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry and without coordinating with BAPPENAS.

Link to Law 32 of 2009 (PPLH)

Furthermore, WMP avoids all important questions regarding the spread of Wolbachia bacteria (Gene Drive) with the claim that laboratory-created mosquitoes are completely natural - False.

Gene Drive is a technology; Wolbachia IP is a technology; and the final microinjection of the new gene sequence also involves genetic engineering technology. This made us realize that weak technologies are being used and justified for these high-impact projects, just as pharmaceutical companies are calling gene edited therapies "vaccines".

Still part of the police investigation, WMP scientists met with Professor Richard Claproth.

Graphs from the scientists show a large unexplained increase in the Culex mosquito species, which carries Japanese Encephalitis (JE) in Kulon Progo

- Yogyakarta, where there have never been cases of JE before.

Richard notes his other concerning findings here: But this evidence has been intentionally destroyed by the Indonesian Authorities too.

There are claims that Wolbachia mosquitoes can reduce the spread of dengue fever by 70-90%, however testing methods are very limited

and rely on people being able to attend express clinics and reliance on the dubious use of PCR tests.

In addition, there is no socialization or even transparency regarding the need for this potentially detrimental new law.

WMP did not provide an explanation for the situation in Sri Lanka, after mass releases there, where there is still a spike

in dengue fever outbreaks. With 64,109 cases since January 2023, eight high-risk districts recorded 23,222 cases till May. Similar to the 2017 outbreak, immediate action is needed. WHO reported 62,783 cases as of September 8.

See: Sri Lanka: Dengue Outbreak - May 2023

Singapore, which has implemented the Wolbachia Mosquito program since 2016, is still experiencing a fourfold increase in dengue fever cases. Maybe you will be surprised to learn that there are irregularities because the Wolbachia Mosquito program has been included in the Decree of the Minister of Health No. 1341 of 2022 concerning the Implementation of a Dengue Control Pilot Project through Wolbachia as an innovation for controlling DHF which will be implemented in 5 cities, namely Semarang, West Jakarta, Bandung, Kupang and Bontang.

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This was made without any regulatory basis. But later on, Minister of Health Regulation Number 2 of 2023 was issued.

Link to Minister of Health Regulation Number 2 of 2023

The Acting Governor of Bali wrote this letter after we reported to the Police Station stating that mosquito releases must be stopped until Due Diligence is carried out, and the President of Indonesia supports his decision.

The PJ Governor thanked the Gladiator Nation, Bali Solidarity, Aspect, and SIS communities for notifying them of this grave danger in a timely manner.

Furthermore, an online petition was created against the spread of the Wolbachia mosquito by the SFS Foundation, ASPEK Indonesia and Gladiator Nation.

STOP THE SPREAD OF MILLIONS OF EXPOSED MOSQUITOES WOLBACHIA BACTERIA BECAUSE OF THE RISKS TO K3

Which received support from the foreign community who care about Bali and they also created an online petition in English.

Stop or Postpone Mass Mosquito Gene Drive on Bali

- The release of Wolbachia mosquitoes, as biological agents, must be approached with caution and careful consideration. Articles 399 and 445 of the new Health Law (UU 17/2023) classify the release of biological agents that have the potential to cause disease as a criminal
- offence, underscoring the need for research and transparency before implementation
- Because the Wolbachia Mosquito release program is based on the instructions of the Minister of Health, in our opinion, it is best to
- report and investigate the Minister by the Police. In the police investigation process, all data and facts will be revealed, and it can be determined whether the Minister has committed a violation of the law.
- If the Minister of Health cannot provide evidence that all risks mentioned in this article have been fully researched, addressed and ruled out, then the provisions of "potentially causing an outbreak" in the criminal article are fulfilled. Everyone has the right to file a criminal complaint with the police, and this may contain sufficient evidence to support the filing of the report.
- Article 399: "Everyone is prohibited from:
- a. distributing materials that contain causes of disease and health problems that have the potential to cause outbreaks; and/or
- b. spread disease-causing biological agents that have the potential to cause outbreaks and epidemics."
- Article 445: "Any person who carries out activities that distribute materials that contain disease-causing and/or biological agents

that cause disease and health problems that have the potential to cause outbreaks and epidemics as intended in Article 399 may be sentenced to imprisonment for a maximum of 12 (twelve) years or a maximum fine of IDR 5,000,000,000 (five billion rupiah)."

Link: Law no. 17/2023

## Inappropriate applications of Military Al

Mapping the distribution of Wolbachia mosquito eggs using

the same Microsoft AI used to map the distribution of bombs by Israel in Gaza.

This technology has been weaponized before; Previously only 50 civilian targets can be identified each year; After using AI, 100 civilian targets can be identified per day.

COMPLETE DISPOSAL OF THE COVERT AGENDA

We also inform you about the activities that we are carrying out in parallel, in an effort to stop the spread of Wolbachia mosquitoes, namely by submitting a SOMASI demanding that the Minister of Health immediately revoke the Decree of the Minister of Health Number HK.01.07/MENKES/ 1341/2022 and stop all actions to spread the biological agent that causes disease and that can cause disease.

Potential to cause outbreaks and epidemics, especially mosquitoes modified with Wolbachia bacteria and other modified or engineered living organisms.

Link to Minister of Health's summons

In conclusion, we strongly disagree with the method and approach for the mass release of Wolbachia Mosquitoes.

The denial by the Minister of Health, the World Mosquito Program, and the World Health Organization of the Wolbachia IP artificial intelligence technology and the genetic engineering associated with it shows a lack

of interest in human life and even indicates an unsavoury and unannounced hidden purpose for its inclusion.

We also firmly believe that this program is a waste of money and could provide a much better alternative approach.

It will be realized that mosquitoes were the first of the UN and WHO's unplanned, unsafe and health measures that Indonesia could not refuse.

Bandung became the first city of the 5 cities designated for the trial so it refuses to be used as a trial city for the spread of the Wolbachia Mosquito.

We apologize for including so many scientific terms in this information, but my knowledge of this is the only way to protect Indonesia from the silent infiltration of the use of this experimental technology. We would also like to remind you of the risk of new international legislation that may require Indonesia to exploit its nickel resources for electric vehicle batteries in allegedly 'environmentally friendly' technologies and exploit Indonesia's nuclear resources

to power and arm submarines for the Arkus partnership

We have high hopes for this request to stop the program to spread Wolbachia mosquito eggs.

For the consideration and wisdom of the Honorable Madam Chair of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Indonesia, we express our gratitude. Warm regards,

Micklem. Frances

## 29th December 2023

Invited the public banking experts to an initial meeting but just a few turned out for the zoom

### January 1st 2024

<u>Economic Injustice:</u> We are Heading into the Same Storm but We are not all in the Same Boat.

# Article to raise awareness for Indonesian authorities and sent to all Kodim and all parliamentarians.

Indonesia is one 'member state' of the United Nations. There are more than 190 other countries. Indonesian men and women have incomes equivalent to between 3,000 and 9,000 US dollars a year. Australians receive about \$45,000. The US average is more like \$75,000 and the average UK citizen earns the equivalent of \$40,000. However, the majority of people in every country have very little at all. Like many in Indonesia, people everywhere are living in extreme poverty and only just surviving. Let's consider these few countries though because we already share goals and partnerships, and soon - in April 2024 - we will share the same budget: A Pandemic Preparedness Fund. Readers might hope that this money has been collected to share out between people, to buy what they need, if there's another lockdown, but this is not the plan. There is a big chance that the money has all been delegated for smart technologies.

This means that the candidates competing for a place in government face a heroic task of constant research into new innovations. Most genetic engineering and artificial intelligence are completely beyond human understanding, assessment and control. Nonetheless, here in early 2024, cautious decisions must be made and experimental permits must be refused, when the proposed research is likely to cause more problems than it solves. One risk is that the introduction of many new technologies will degrade health when they interact, like chemicals that only become explosive or toxic when they are mixed.

The President has done his best to protect Indonesia from falling into great debt by not being persuaded to mine the seabed for precious marine resources, in the past. This year, however, the Nation might be put under new pressure to do so. In the upcoming election debates, it will be a chance to hear what the government intends to do to resist these man-made threats; economic, biological, digital, electro magnetic and environmental. The continued pressure to accept massive releases of mosquitoes, must surely be on the agenda for the discussion. Also the question of whether a foreign agency can really improve the Economy and quality of life for Indonesians. It would be unifying for the people to hear the vision that elected candidates have of what they would do, if Indonesia could get out from its alleged debt and keep control of the budget?

But there is no threat of a pandemic is there? What is so different about this year? Well, actually, it is not the government who will be in charge. It is the World Health Organization, one of the United Nations' departments. They are based in Switzerland, where they have a system called "diplomatic immunity". This means that, even if the World Health Organization recommends a vaccine that causes harm and even death, or the World Economic Forum requires Indonesia's nuclear resources as repayment of a national debt and that causes economic and environmental collapse, no-one is accountable or financially liable. One light on the horizon is that there is the beginning of a movement calling for these influential global leaders to relinquish their diplomatic immunity so they can take responsibility for the outcomes of their decisions.

Let us ask the election candidates to address this real life situation as a case study: The lead scientist of the World Health Organization, Jeremy Farrar has just, in

December 2023, forecast the next pandemic..."Prepare bird flu vaccines now before virus jumps to humans, top scientist warns". But back in 2008 he had already designed a vaccine "In the last few years, Farrar has focused on the pathophysiology and treatment of avian influenza. He is also exploring the cross-reactivity of memory T cell responses to influenza in hopes of creating a broadly protective vaccine for H5N1". He was also involved in the Gain of Function research that made the bird flu transmissible to mammals (and therefore humans) in 2015. The questions for debate are, can Indonesia's Coordination Committee keep up with this high impact project and provide regulation? Can they even answer what is "pathophysiology", or "the cross-reactivity T cell responses", or a "broadly protective vaccine"? Or, instead, will ministers allow an unelected group, the WHO, with longterm financial vested interests and valuable patents, dictate Indonesia's financing of research, purchase and then mandating of experimental vaccines to all ages, even children, regardless of efficacy or safety? Should Indonesia even accept communications and surveillance equipment, that is protected by patents held in other countries? Who will have access to personal data collected and national defence information?

It has not reassured doctors investigating the WHO-approved mosquito releases that the same scientist conducted some of the first research into using GMO mosquitoes to address mosquito-born diseases, funded the genetically modified mosquitoes of Oxitec and taught many of the World Mosquito Program team. Many of you will be following the large question mark over the continued mass release of Aedes Aegypti, even after soaring Dengue cases, spikes in the Culex species and associated Japanese Encephalitis cases, after previous releases.

Hopefully parliamentarians are investigating the exposure of the fact that foreignowned Internet Protocol Technology is in the Wolbachia bacteria, used to infect the mosquitoes, without any public explanation of what the Artificial Intelligence technology will be used for. Unfortunately we know they are not investigating the deployment of mosquito eggs, as their official email addresses remain unopened. In parallel, more than twenty countries have notified the World Health Organization that they are withdrawing from the Pandemic Treaty and thousands of notices have been sent to the WHO from groups of lawyers, doctors, and individual men and women. These have been ignored as well. With no formal acknowledgement, publication or detailed consideration by Indonesia's full Coordination Committee, decision-making power could pass to the WHO as soon as the 27th January, when the silent deadline for rejecting 300 further amendments to the International health Regulations goes past.

All regulatory authorities must pay continual attention to national and international news and be ready to show daring and courage in making decisions that will benefit the people.

At Gladiator Bangsa, we are very wary of reducing one recordable problem, for example Dengue, by causing an infinite number of others that are less easy to identify. Therefore our commitment to you is to write every day, to illuminate the nature of the science and the risks of the biobanks planned - full of blood and pathogen samples, which we fought hard not to share in the past.

We will explore how the WHO, UN, Sustainability Goals department and WEF new legal instruments could impact the day to day life, bodily integrity, privacy, freedom

and safety. For example how the use of nuclear power is 'maximised' by the UN and their intention to use armed nuclear submarines in the pandemic response supply chain. On the brighter side, we will also explain the power of our sovereignty as a nation and as men and women. By using the art of our inner intention, decision-making and vision it translates inter outer transformation. We hope to inspire independent thought and maybe even achieve personal and a sort of collective 'mind control' that can overcome the technological and esoteric mind control that has been used to dupe us.

We have a moment of choice and we want to know the elected candidates realise what is at stake. If you also want any of these questions asked or answered, please feel free to write it as a comment on the petition.

January 5th 2024 - Email to Factor GMO, and Pascal Naiad Dear Ivan and Nadya, I am very keen to contact Pascal Najadi, and invite him to a meeting in the next few days. Would you be able to forward this to him and also assess if we could support your Factor GMO project? I read that Pascal Najadi has advised international governments. We would like to support Pascal Najadi as well, in his action to 1) ensure the arrest of the WEF, 2) widen the international pressure to stop the diplomatic immunity of the WHO and 3) help us in Indonesia, to structure the public banks, into which indebted member states can deposit and distribute their compensation, when the time comes.

Gladiator Bangsa conduct their meetings in English and hope very much to welcome you, as well as some others who have other parts of the expertise, to envision a good outcome, if the WEF and other protected organizations are finally held to account.

We have invited Harald Felzen of Sparkasse Public Bank's International Coorperation arm, Richard C Cook, who is a major champion for the end of Usury in the States as well as being the man who presented evidence that blocked the weaponization of space in the past; Pierre Larrouturou, the MEP who went on hunger strike during the plandemic to insist that financial institutions pay even 0.01% tax on transactions as all small businesses were being forced to invest in credit card machines to operate at all; and also Diarmaid Mulcahy chairman of MABs, money advice for men and women in personal debt, in the West of Ireland, who is another proponent of public banking and also EU candidate calling for a moratorium on 5G, on account of childhood cancers and other repercussions. Everyone in this group has additional extensive experience in healing and would like to extend an offer to both you and your family to address damage done by the GMO jabs.

The leader of the Indonesian movement is Siti Fadilah, ex health minister who was criminalized because she stood up to the WHO for taking blood and pathogen samples out of Indonesia, against her ministerial ruling. Professor Richard Claproth has senior management experience in banking and is still involved in government, in the National Planning department.

I believe we have to tackle the alleged debts to the International Monetary Fund and other banking bodies, to help Indonesia, and then other UN member states, extricate themselves from the WHO Treaty. It will be possible to argue the invalidity and

bioweapons aspects. The Treaty expects a great financial commitment and a commitment of member states' other resources. Once we have thought of a new financial trajectory to actually incentivize local self sufficiency and environmental protection, we have the willing support of two groups of lawyers and the World Council For Health in building the cases.

A wide range of GMO introductions are being made in Indonesia, from child 'vaccines', to food and surveillance and they must be stopped. Initially, however, Gladiator Bangsa would also welcome the opportunity to contribute to Factor GMO with our research to stop the mass mosquito releases, classified as pesticides, defended as 'natural' while containing Wolbachia IP Technology. It was encouraging to hear how Pascal Najadi filed charges to achieve the objective of insisting the WEF are expelled from Switzerland and held to account. Gladiator Bangsa also filed police charges, first against the World Mosquito Program and Save The Children Fund, and then a petition against the Health Minister. We believe there are parallels in each country of apparently not for profit groups implementing dangerous technologies on experimental permits.

I served notice on the WHO before the 1st December 2023 deadline to reject the IHR, demanding due diligence in regard to their Gain Of Function and gene drive creation of Potential Pandemic Pathogens. Then I put the WHO on notice again for retaliating when Bali managed to get a postponement of the GM mosquitoes, that are being released. There is a great wave of resistance from many countries but countries that have withdrawn, rejected or expressed reservations about the Pandemic and SDG declarations have yet to be acknowledged at all by the WHO.

Please let me know if you are able to forward this mesage to Pascal Najadi. Wishing you the best of luck with your campaign too.

Most gratefully,

## 6<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Nuclear Submarines manned and armed with AI, Why This Mustn't Be Allowed.

Article to raise awareness for Indonesian authorities and sent to all Kodim and all parliamentarians.

#### "Unrecoverable Error"

It's hard to remember what the public used to to be told about nuclear power. We knew nuclear reactors were dangerous because the processes of fission and fusion require extreme compression and extreme heat; temperatures twice as hot as the core of the sun. Sometimes nuclear power stations would "melt-down", releasing radioactive waste. We were told that nuclear waste never degrades. Hundreds of millions of cubic metres, of the toxic waste, sit in each country, including Indonesia, while ways to store it 'for longer than expected' are explored. Sometimes nuclear waste was piped to other countries, or dumped little-by-little into the sea. More recently, the nuclear industry were in negotiations with gas and oil companies to bury the waste in empty wells. In the past, most men and women associated nuclear power with war and inevitable mass destruction, by accident or by design.

Then there was the danger of "a maniac" "pressing the button", detonating a nuclear

bomb. We hoped leaders would know of the "nuclear winter" that would follow, where nothing will grow and so much radiation in the air would make our hair fall out, and quickly humans, along with the other animal and plant life would wither and die.

People imagined that military personnel would wait nervously for the leader of their country to give the command to fire. We hoped the threat of nuclear war would only ever escalate following many months and years of peace negotiations, and efforts to find other resolutions. If we had thought about using nuclear weapons logically, we would have remembered that there is only ever a "4-minute warning". Four minutes is not enough time to ring the President, or even discuss with a colleague, so whoever is on duty must rely on the notification from that computer system and follow protocol. Military protocol requires immediate retaliation. This procedure, upon which the safety of the whole world rests, was eventually tested: A transmission came in, to an Early Warning data centre, that the US had launched six nuclear missiles on Russia. By great chance, a man by the name of Stanislav Petrov was on duty. Feeling the responsibility for the action he had to take, he recognised he still had a choice. "An erroneous retaliatory nuclear attack on the United States and its NATO allies could have wiped out half of the population". But what else did he have, in addition to the computer reports and protocol? He had the depth of his experience; his reasoning; his observations of the political landscape; his care for life and trust in his own inner authority. Petrov made "a judgement call" and decided the reports must be a false alarm. "An investigation later confirmed that the satellite warning system had indeed malfunctioned".

In the upcoming election debate, candidates should discuss their understanding and stance on commercial and military nuclear power and how they will lead with discernment and concern for the cost to life. The cost to life is not just if there's a war or disaster. The replacement Trident nuclear submarine for the UK cost the same as providing an upgraded National Health Service for free, for the whole population, for 45 years. Somehow the decision to finance the submarine instead of the National Health Service, got passed in their parliament.

Thankfully, President Joko Widodo already sent a clear message to the world that "the possession and use of nuclear weapons cannot be justified for any reason", when he ratified the Treaty Prohibiting Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) in November 2023. But was Indonesia informed by its "Plenipotentiary ambassadors" abroad (These are delegates to foreign countries who have independent, executive powers to act on behalf of Indonesia) about the Arkus Partnership between the UK, US and Australia; to arm Australia with eight nuclear submarines? China have called the plan "a return to a Cold War mentality". France are calling it a "stab in the back", as a French company was going to manufacture the submarines and Australia had to pay France 555 million euro compensation, just to get out of the deal. With that level of international bad feeling about the Arkus partnership, only formed in 2021, ministerial candidates must ask whether the submarines could make Indonesia more of a military target, than act as a 'deterrent' - which is what some governments are calling nuclear weapons now - and the UN say nuclear submarines are great to serve on the Pandemic Preparedness fast-response supply chain to international health and security crises, where the UN say they would like to maximise the use of nuclear submarines. Sadly now the president is no long the president and the WHO's military connection is in charge. Furthermore, we were not able to get either nuclear power

or the mass mosquito releases on to the election agenda for debate.

Following recent agreements with the US and the upcoming WHO Pandemic Treaty, already signed, can Indonesia put the brakes on and say 'No' to nuclear weapons in Indonesian waters or the use of Indonesian resources to fuel and arm them? The submarines, like the other smart technologies, are to use artificial intelligence extensively in their operation.

Gladiator Bangsa have also been considering, when did competent authorities, regulators and decision-makers start trusting technology and being "digitally-assisted", more than trusting our own experience and knowledge and trusting each other?

Most people have sat in front of a computer screen for a lot longer than four minutes, in frustration and powerlessness, unable to even verify their own identity to access their own accounts. In the past, a computer screen would often read 'Unrecoverable Error'. Imagine the artificial intelligence in these nuclear submarines, executing their programmed protocols without hesitation, while the Naval Commander frantically tries to get clearance to stop the ballistic missiles being fired. The computer may require a retina scan; facial recognition; a finger print, and maybe an OTP - a One Time Password. Picture all these being asked for at once in order to return the computer system to manual controls. Too late. "Unrecoverable error". References

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## 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Reservations are Forbidden by the WHO but it is important for sovereign nations to be able to make 'Reservations' to proposed agreements.

## **Important Dates**

27<sup>th</sup> January 300 more IHR Amendments go through unless we reject them. Working Group process finishes and sticking point on samples and pathogens is obviously Siti Fadilah's expertise. First of all it is too dangerous to be allowed - moving man-made deadly diseases around. Secondly, if Indonesia allows that the sharing of the Potential Pandemic Pathogens can be voluntary, then the rich pharmaceutical companies will not share them and they will be the only ones that create vaccines that will be approved on their supply chain. If they do allow developing countries to have PPPs it will be an excuse to show that they need high security laboratories - foreign managed. And also to set up developing countries to 'cause' the next pandemics by allowing the release of whatever pathogen they choose. To pass on the responsibility and also to justify selling the vaccines and developing countries owing them more money.

Notes on WHO Treaty introduction.

Reservations are important - look at these re women which require that https://treaties.un.org/Pages/ViewDetails.aspx?src=TREATY&mtdsg\_no=IV-8&chapter=4&clang= en

The WHO don't tolerate retaliation (?!!)

https://cdn.who.int/media/docs/default-source/ethics/policy-on-preventing-and-addressing-retaliation.pdf?sfvrsn=eb4bf547\_16&download=true

The WHO's Economics of Health For All

https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/373122/9789240080973-eng.pdf?sequence=1

No reservations may be made to the Pandemic Treaty https://apps.who.int/gb/inb/pdf\_files/inb7/A\_INB7\_3-en.pdf

### List of Reservations Made:

- Eleven Members of Parliament in Estonia issued a letter rejecting IHR amendments and the proposed pandemic treaty.
- New Zealand's new coalition government will reserve against proposed amendments to IHR.
- Slovakia's prime minister announced the government will not support strengthening the WHO.
- A comprehensive bill by a congressman is gaining traction and public support in the Philippines.
- Two South African parliamentarians champion the WHO Withdrawal Bill and mobilise on it.
- A Parliamentarian in the Netherlands filed a letter making a reservation due to lack of due process.
- Eleven European Union parliamentarians are formally challenging procedural failures in IHR amendments.
- Bill HR 79 (to defund and exit WHO) was introduced by United States Congressman Andy Biggs.
- Parliamentarians continue advocating to reject IHR amendments and question the WHO in Japan.
- A letter from the Australian people communicates rejection of the WHO's proposed amendments to the IHR.
  - 1 WCH Policy Brief: Rejecting Monopoly Power over Global

Public Health

- WHO Withdrawal Bill from South Africa. Please share, adapt, and adopt
- Cease and Desist Notice from WCH Law and Activism Committee
   (2021)
- WCH Pharmacovigilance Report on C19 Vaccines, is used in court (2022)
- The Great FreeSet campaign (World Council for Health and Children's Health Defense)

Invitation for other countries to connect with the World Council For Health and Children's Health Defence Lawyers

- policy@worldcouncilforhealth.org. There is a better way for a better world.
- https://www.change.org/p/we-oppose-who-medical-tyranny-and-medical-martial-law?source\_location=search

https://childrenshealthdefense.co.za/home-page/un-faces-pandemic-power-grab-resistance-from-countries-refusing-to-be-bulldozed/

The World Mosquito Program claim they do not release mosquitoes unless there is total acceptance by the communities. But still, amid total opposition, the program moves inexorably forwards.

In the same way, the World Health Organization and United Nations continue as if they have reached a consensus with member states.

But there is no consensus. In fact they have received formal communications from delegations from 157 of the 196 UN member states at least, indicating strong reservations, objections, rejection of the International Health Amendments and withdrawal from the WHO Pandemic Treaty. In addition, groups If doctors and lawyers and individuals have said no.

"Our delegations are convinced that this is no way to handle multilateral and intergovernmental negotiations on issues of great relevance for the international community, particularly for developing countries. Thus, we would like to put on record that we do not condone, nor accept, this practice, and that it does not set any precedent for the work of the United Nations and its General Assembly."

"Our delegations oppose any attempt to pretend to formally adopt any of the draft outcome documents in question, during the meetings scheduled for 18, 20, 21 and 22 September 2023, respectively. In addition, we reserve the right to take appropriate action upon the formal consideration of these four (04) draft outcome documents in the coming weeks, after the conclusion of the High-Level Segment of the 78th Session of the General Assembly, when they must all be considered by the General Assembly in accordance with its rules of procedures."

https://twitter.com/LobbyForGoodNZ/status/1727847190444597486

Belarus

Iran

Nicaragua

Bolivia

Cuba

Russia

Korea

Syria

Eritrea

Venezuela

Zimbabwe

(This group withdrew from the WHO Treaty and Sustainability Goals Treaty in September 2023 saying that the UN was pretending there was a consensus, ignoring formal notifications by member states to the contrary and not acknowledging them by sending the required receipt.

Estonia "Hereby the Republic of Estonia, on the basis of Article 22 of the Constitution of the World Health Organisation, declares that it rejects and does not consent to the international agreement on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, as well as complementary amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005) and improving the sustainability of financing of WHO". New Zealand "New Zealand First and National agreed that 1st of December, we would reserve against the amendments made in the International Health Regulations of 2005. Now, we'll move on to the next part, May 2024 ...only nine (9) members of the Rigikogu out of one hundred and one (101) members of the Rigikogu voted in favour of this resolution.

Slovakia Slovakia's President makes a statement saying they will not be "strengthening the WHO".

Philippines

reject the WHO IHRs as they pose a threat to public order and safety, are violative of well-established public health protocols, and are prejudicial to fundamental democratic principles

South Africa

WHO withdrawal bill.

Netherlands

European Union

**United States** 

Japan

Australia

South Africa

World Council For Health - Lawyers from 25 countries

The Group of 77 has grown. As of 2023, the group comprises all of the UN member states (along with the UN observer State of Palestine),

(excluding the following countries: Members of the Council of Europe, except for Azerbaijan.

Members of the Commonwealth of Independent States Free Trade Area, except for Taiikistan.

Members of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, except for all its (four) Latin American members.

Two microstates in Oceania: Palau and Tuvalu."

Afghanistan

Algeria

Argentina

Bangladesh

Benin

Bolivia

Brazil

Burkina Faso

Burundi

Cambodia

Cameroon

Central African Republic

Chad

Chile

Colombia

Congo

DR Congo

Costa Rica

Dominican Republic

Ecuador

Egypt

El Salvador

Ethiopia

Gabon

Ghana

Guatemala

Guinea

Haiti

Honduras

India

Indonesia

Iran

Iraq

Jamaica

Jordan

Kenya

Kuwait

Laos

Lebanon

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Libya

Madagascar

Malaysia

Mali

Mauritania

Mexico

Morocco

Myanmar

Nepal

Nicaragua

Niger

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Pakistan

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**Philippines** 

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Saudi Arabia

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Sierra Leone

Somalia

Sri Lanka

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Syria

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Thailand

Togo

Trinidad and Tobago

Tunisia

Uganda

Uruguay

Oruguay

Venezuela

Vietnam

Yemen

More recent members

Angola

Antigua and Barbuda

Azerbaijan

Bahamas

Bahrain

Barbados

Belize

Bhutan

Botswana

Brunei Darussalam

China

Cabo Verde

Comoros

Côte D'Ivoire

Cuba

Djibouti

Dominica

**Equatorial Guinea** 

Eritrea

Eswatini

Fiji

The Gambia

Grenada

Guinea-Bissau

Guyana

Kiribati

Lesotho

Malawi

Maldives

Marshall Islands

Mauritius

Federated States of Micronesia

Mongolia

Mozambique

Namibia

North Korea

Nauru

Oman

Palestine

Papua New Guinea

Qatar

Saint Kitts and Nevis

Saint Lucia

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Samoa

São Tomé and Príncipe

Seychelles

Singapore

Solomon Islands

South Africa

South Sudan

Suriname

**Tajikistan** 

East Timor

Tonga

Turkmenistan

**United Arab Emirates** 

Vanuatu

Zambia

Zimbabwe

(All have tried to stop the treaty so we don't have to write more times, we need to ask for the correspondence received by the WHO to be transparently discussed) 'The negative impact of unilateral coercive measures (UCMs) is an existential one for our peoples. A third of the world's population is affected by these illegal measures. There is ample evidence, including from UN sources, of the heavy toll caused by UCMs on targeted countries' capacities to achieve sustainable development and to make further progress in protecting the right to health of their respective populations. Since the beginning of these processes, we have insisted on the need to include our concerns in these important political documents, on the basis of consensual language, as reflected in paragraph 30 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This request has been echoed by a large number of delegations, including from the Group of the 77 and China, and from the Group of Friends in Defense of the UN Charter, among others."

<sup>&</sup>quot;The legitimate concerns of a large number of developing countries have been ignored."

and "forcing unfair practices which pretend to impose a kind of "veto" on certain issues, and pretending to even prevent their discussion within the framework of intergovernmental negotiations."

"For example, the draft outcome of the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development under the auspices of the General Assembly – SDGs Summit, was reopened with the purpose of exclusively accommodating the priorities of a few delegations from developed countries, while, in this very same process, and in the three (03) health-related negotiations, nothing was done to reflect and accommodate the legitimate concerns of delegations from developing countries that, in addition had broken silence repeatedly, including the Group of 77 and China."

The WHO Draft

https://apps.who.int/gb/inb/pdf\_files/inb5/A\_INB5\_6-en.pdf

The Group of 77

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Economy

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A non exploitative economy which might appeal to Siti Fadilah if she thinks that Indonesia should present itself as the control group of the experiments and focus on health, organic food independence and karma-free nutrition.

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## By Meryl Nass:

Questions could profitably be asked about the following:

- 1. The WHO is not an honest broker.
- a. Its Director-General has repeatedly lied about the WHO's 2 proposed treaties: the pandemic treaty/agreement, and International Health Regulation (IHR) amendments, claiming they do not seize sovereignty, when there is no doubt they do precisely that. See Why Does the WHO Make False Claims Regarding Proposals to Seize States' Sovereignty? by David Bell, MD, PhD and attorney Thi Thuy Van Dinh, PhD.
- b. The WHO appears to have deceived the public about whether the amendments "approved" in May 2022 followed the legally required procedure of a full WHA vote. Twelve members of the European Parliament wrote to the WHO on November 28, 2023 asking for evidence that the WHO actually conducted a vote of the entire World

Health Assembly to pass several new amendments in May 2022, with a 48 hour deadline. The WHO did not respond, and the twelve European parliament members declared the May 2022 amendments null and void last week.

- c. The WHO's principal legal office, Steven Solomon, stated in early October that the IHR working group did not have to follow the required procedure (found in the existing 2005 version of the International Health Regulations) to make public the draft of new proposed amendments 4 months in advance of a vote. Thus, we may not see the new amendments until after the WHO members have voted on them. https://merylnass.substack.com/p/the-who-will-ignore-its-own-rules
- 2. The WHO's proposed treaties are unconstitutional
- a. They demand that nations perform surveillance of their citizens' social media footprints and censor them to prevent 'infodemics' (too much information, according to the WHO's definition), misinformation and disinformation, surveil
- b. They say that nations should give up the intellectual property rights of their citizens.
- c. There is no due process for the declaring or ending of public health emergencies of international concern, for which no standards exist.
- 3. In the Oct. 30 draft of the treaty, A new WHO Secretariat and Conference of Parties for pandemics are to be established in the future and will make their own rules. Thus, agreeing to this means providing a blank check to the WHO to do whatever it wants at some later date.
- 4. The 2 proposed treaties ignore existing internal law prohibiting the proliferation of biological warfare agents (the 1972 Biological Weapons Convention and the 2004 Security Council Memorandum 1540) and demand that nations search out new agents (a.k.a. "potential pandemic pathogens") and share them with the WHO, which will "share them globally." The WHO has already established a BioHub for this purpose and a Pathogen Access and Benefits System.
- 5. The proposed treaty and amendments also demand that nations perform 2 additional forms of surveillance of their citizens: microbiological surveillance of their populations, animals and ecosystems for pathogens, and surveillance and sharing of medical and hospital records, both of which violate privacy protections.
- 6. The proposed amendments remove the guarantee of "Human rights, dignity and freedom of persons" that are found in the current international health regulations.
- 7. The two proposed treaties are both binding, whereas the earlier IHR were recommendations only, apart from minor requirements for notification of certain outbreaks to the WHO. The two proposed documents would give the WHO and particularly its Director-General vast authority to manage healthcare globally. The current Director-General is not a medical practitioner and instead has a PhD in Community Health.
- 8. The WHO lacks the personnel and expertise to manage international pandemics and other health concerns. Any developed nation has within it much more capacity to understand and manage medical events within its borders, and likely international events as well.

9. The proposed treaty calls for rapidly produced vaccines and for nations to implement domestic legislation to permit the use of unlicensed medical products without manufacturer liability, instead "managing" the liability issues using existing models, such as the US' Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program, which has so far compensated 8 Americans for injuries related to EUA COVID products (primarily vaccines) from the 12,358 claims filed. https://www.hrsa.gov/cicp/cicpdata

Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP) Data | HRSA HRSA's CICP aggregate data for countermeasure injury claims for fiscal years 2010 – 2023.

- 10. It is apparent that in the process of developing the "Pandemic Accord" and amendments to the IHR, WHO/WHA positioned itself in a combined law-making/executive/expert/censorship role, which is a well-known path to usurpation of unrestrained power. It should not be surprising, therefore, that the proposed Amendments grant expressly such power to the WHO.
- 11. The WHO receives 85% of its funding from voluntary contributions, and only 15% from dues paid by its 194 member nations. Most of the voluntary contributions are earmarked for special projects that the WHO carries out. When President Trump withheld US funding in 2020, Bill Gates became the WHO's top funder. The (unelected) WHO serves many private masters, yet seeks to govern the world's population.
- 12. Virtually every recommendation the WHO made for managing the COVID pandemic was counterproductive. Why would we give the WHO the power to enforce the same bad advice on the US and world?

## 14<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Analysing the polio vaccine recommendations, as requested and modified insects for vaccine delivery

Thank you for your question about whether I would recommend oral vaccine, injected vaccine or no vaccine for polio.

- 1. Choices are good! This request is really exciting to me as it means that people are realising that they have choices to make about their health. That is very different from the new policies in the pandemic, of mandatory vaccines, where everyone was expected to take them and not ask questions or wait until the safety tests and active ingredients were published. This is going to be really important again soon as the World Health Organization are bringing in plans for a 100-day vaccine. I believe this is really dangerous because, in the past, a vaccine would not be available for at least 12 years to make sure it worked and was safe.
- 2. You asked for my professional opinion! I am honoured that you have asked me, as a doctor that you know and trust from my time as Health Minister. I realise that asking me is very different from asking your own doctor, or child's school, or a hospital, or researching on line, where information may be led by medical and pharmaceutical industry priorities. We know that so many health funds are dedicated to programs for industry reasons, not because of a particular health issue. We have seen this with the mosquito program in Bali, where a program was paid for by a private Australian family, and they gave an additional 40 million dollars to

stakeholders in Denpasar, to let them deploy the hundreds of millions of mosquito eggs, without informing Bapenas.

There was no rise in Dengue cases (until after the mass releases), so nobody knows why the Indonesian cities got the mosquitoes, or why bribery was needed, instead of real improvements to quality of life.

I assure you again that my priorities are to share everything I know and my experience to empower the people to make independent choices that you sense will be best for your children. I hope more and more people will stand up to protect their families from the new health laws.

3. OPV: I thought I would always recommend the Oral Polio Vaccine, which was often delivered on a sugar-cube. It was trusted by doctors around the world for many decades (even though the doctor himself who invented the vaccine expressed concern that the wide production and use of the vaccine was keeping the disease alive). But still, the Oral vaccine was again effective when Polio re-emerged again recently in Indonesia. I want us all to pause for a moment and please do not think it is natural that Polio has come back. I think it is confusing. I am very concerned about it and I wonder how it got here. It makes me think again about the release of the Aedes Aegypti mosquitoes and how this has caused a major unexpected increase in the Culex species of mosquito, vector of the tragic disease Japanese Encephalitis. Keep in mind that mosquitoes live in water for two weeks as larvae and Polio is also transmitted through water.

Before it is too late, we have to wake up to the fact that laboratory-created mosquitoes, pharmaceutical therapies and biotech experiments must be triggering or transmitting any amount of diseases into our water courses and immunity responses in our bodies.

IPV: The Inactivated polio vaccine by injection was a new creation, which I was asked to recommend even though it was not effective, in my experience. Shortly after I said I would prefer to continue recommending the oral Polio vaccine, "new research" came out that the Oral Polio Vaccine carried other diseases. Again, I ask you to pause, and realise that could be just negative information or it could be that the Oral vaccine does now contain or trigger new diseases. The health ministry has very little regulatory oversight as to what ingredients go into vaccines. In fact, like the mosquitoes, we now know there has been a lot of undeclared IP Technology coupled with CNN Artificial Intelligence put into recent vaccines and the Wolbachia mosquitoes. We have to stand up and ask why? No vaccine: Finally, there is the option of being a strict 'vaccine safety advocate' and deciding to neither give your children nor take vaccines yourself, at all. I do understand this choice as there has been so many adverse effects from the Covid vaccines and boosters and it has been so difficult to report them, get help or get compensation.

When I think about what a vaccine is; taking a tiny amount of a pathogen to trigger antibodies which build up the body's defences, I worry that we are all taking too many. We already have Mumps, Measles and Rubella all taken at the same time, in combination; then HPV and other teenage vaccines; and now Covid boosters, Dengue and even a Japanese Encephalitis vaccine was nearly given to children - all

on experimental permits.

I think of our immune systems jumping into action, generating anti-bodies and spike proteins. How can putting an MMR combination injection, into an infant, not create a contraindication of immune responses? The combinations must be contributing to the rise in auto- immune diseases as our systems can no longer work out what is a threat and what is nourishment.

The fourth option: Mosquito vaccination: This might sound extraordinary but there has, for many years, been a plan to use mosquitoes to inject populations of people who oppose vaccinations; as a way of by-passing the consent of the people; or as a way of not needing to even tell governments what is being administered and why like happened in Bali.

There is a lot of talk by the WHO and the UN about mosquitoes migrating for climate reasons when mosquitoes can only travel substantially when their eggs are transported by the millions, as their eggs are viablefor over a year, where as the mosquitoes themselves may only live 6 weeks. Actually I believe there is so much damage already done to our ecosystems, and our own microbiomes, by biotechnology, that none of the mosquito predators survive to keep the balance.

4 . Even worse, the World Health Organization had already started its collection of Potential Pandemic Pathogens. I want you to know what these are. This means the diseases are more fatal and more transmissible than natural diseases. Therefore, what are being offered now are not really vaccines. They are gene therapies, using man-made diseases in laboratories as their guide.

Some of you may remember that I tried to stop the WHO taking a dangerous pathogen like this out of Indonesia. I hid it safely where only one other person knew. But then a few years later, I checked if it was still safe and it was GONE. It was tracked down to the Ukraine.

Now, here in 2024, the World Health Organization are planning BioBanks in every country with a selection of these man-made diseases, as if they are some sort of asset. They are only an asset, if you plan to lock down a nation again and sell them a vaccine. I really don't want that for our people again. There was so much unnecessary suffering, wasn't there.! One day there will be an apology for the long, hard and punishing lockdowns where there was no provision of money or food made for families who could not leave their houses. But today, we must stand up and say no to theexperimental vaccines and mosquitoes they are unleashing. And no to the WHO Treaty and International Health Regulations Amendments.

5. In this time when research and drug industries and so much more powerful than health regulatory authorities, I am cautious about making a recommendation, in case it is used to undermine my professional opinion. I would definitely say that there are pros and cons to all the choices that parents can make. I want to represent the people. I want to represent logic, open science and wellbeing. I want to be on the panel when the WHO do at last answer the Due Diligence questions we asked and, indeed, if the World Mosquito Program and Health Minister ever answer the Due Diligence questions we asked them on safety and efficacy, in comparison to the small trial.

All I can say is let's thank the Gods we can still choose what is right for us. This year

there is a major threat to the health of Indonesian people. It is so hard to say No! already: To the mosquitoes, or question the experimental Dengue vaccines on our children in Kilimantan, or insist on a moratorium on Gene Drives or 5G which so many scientists have called for. If the Pandemic Treaty goes ahead, we will have no choices.

6. What would be more useful in 5) We should test and filter tap water for Polioviruses and other water-borne diseases like Wolbachia-caused River Blindness. If we don't have the sample, and we don't test, we can't be sure what has been filtered out of drinking water.

However, this is different from the two new sorts of surveillance being proposed. We don't want Bill Gates' computerisation of the human body. Simply, filtering water or boiling water will eliminate the threat of Polio.

## 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024

WHO will likely impose Sanctions, for any non compliance, report as requested I attended the World Council For Health Activists' meeting Friday 12th January 2024

The first lawyer to answer was a Common Law Lawyer, reminding us that 1) Mandates are not laws. It's a Contract Law question, where someone (President, Siti Fadilah or Listyo Sigit Prabowo) from Indonesia can ask, in writing, to the WHO,"Are you going to take liability action, if Indonesia refuses to do what the WHO proposes, when the action would go against Indonesia's Constitution?"

We would slightly restructure the Open Letters Siti' Fadilah and Listyo Sigit Prabowo as 'notices' and send them to both the WHO and the UN. Like the Somasi, we would give them 10 days to reply. And, like my due diligence notice to the WHO, it can't be an open letter, it has to be man-to-man, without titles. So I wrote "To Tedros, from Frances".

2) The first thing to find out is Did Indonesian sign the Treaty as a Nation or as a Corporation?

An agreement must be between people, and therefore is not valid if it is the corporation.

If it was the Corporation, it would explain why so little of the financial support for people in the lockdown reached the people.

3) The lawyer Shabnam Mohamed at the law group then answered our question: what will the consequences be if we don't do what the WHO says? She said the majority of lawyers believe that the UN will be used to enforce the WHO's dictates with sanctions and so on.

But this will be unlawful because it follows a UN Political Declaration in September that was not agreed.

A few hours after receiving the withdrawal notice, the UN director general reported that the political declaration had passed through with complete consensus and did not mention the notification by 11 countries, withdrawing.

This formal letter from Russia plus the 10 other countries I sent to you a few days ago along with an analysis. That analysis article was by this same lawyer, Shabnam Mohamed.

This is the lawyer who connects the Children's Health Defence lawyers and the World Council For Health lawyer. Sidnam Mohamed is from South Africa and she organises both the Activists meeting and the Lawyers Against the WHO meeting.

Shabnam is very keen to meet Siti Fadilah and you, and ask her to speak at an Experts Forum.

I think it would be better if she would help us structure lawsuits and notices, maybe with Ted, pointing out the Illegality and fraud of the whole IHR, Amendments, Treaty and UN Treaty coming up in September. I wonder if it would be good to facilitate a meeting between her, us and the Working Group or the Senate leader who Siti Fadilah is meeting.

The activist meeting focused on citizen's initiatives, and made me think of Siti Fadilah's.

Shabnam Mohamed finally said "a citizen's enquiry is crucial and a national movement, as political movement does not equal socio-economic freedom". I also attended a Peace Group Meeting and learnt about the Truth Commission and Peace Dialogues in Columbia, which are powerful processes.

Attendees to the activist meeting were all asked whether we knew of mechanisms for a 1) petition 2) debate 3) referendum, or 4) inquiry. I said I didn't think that Indonesia had a particular referendum mechanism...but maybe we could? We were asked, what does it mean to be free?

- 4) The other punishments are lots of psychological manipulation through AI, media, shaming, blame for outbreaks.
- 5) The retaliation, where biotech products are released/unleashed deployed without explanation or regulation or permit, to make the population sick and open the way for harsher measures to be implemented, or the nation to be isolated from trade, visitors and freedoms, rights, income etc and of course injections.

People's return to Natural status, Common Law, where men and women are the beneficiaries of their lives, efforts and energy and free from Maritime law, where people are only persons and debtors. The Great Freeset, is an organization for more information.

January 19th 2024: War, Water, AI and the United Nations War, Water, AI and The UN

The unwillingness to provide (by regulation or by law) the gene sequences - of each biotech product given an experimental permit for use in Indonesia - would have massive consequences for Indonesia. The full list of active and inactive ingredients, including the exact gene sequences of microbial strains of diseases must be used as 'parameters' to test and filter drinking water, the Subak, the Sawah and the coastal waters for qualitative and quantitative monitoring of the engineered products' persistence in nature, and transference to other species, including the human microbiome.

The refusal to share this information could be the Indonesian key to exposing the criminality of the WHO, UN and their funders and their intention to do harm and criminal damage. "Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation,...Gavi, the global vaccine organization that Gates helped to found to inoculate people in low-income nations,

the Wellcome Trust, Sir Jeremy Farrah - now WHO's Head Scientist- ran it, and the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations, or CEPI, all opposed government efforts to waive intellectual property rights, (share samples or exact information) a move that critics saw as protecting the interests of pharmaceutical giants over people living in poorer nations." https://www.politico.com/news/2022/09/14/global-covid-pandemic-response-bill-gates-partners-00053969

The discussion of water exposes the danger of the bigger WHO plan of exchanging Potential Pandemic Pathogens internationally, and setting up Bio Labs to engineer and store them, as well as the dangers of releasing mosquitoes infected with water-borne bacteria. The WMP and health minister have refused to share the ingredients of the mosquitoes produced, even though their recorded response to the well-known risks of Wolbachia in parasitical Filarial diseases was that the Wolbachia was a 'different' strain and therefore harmless. No independent checking is possible when patents are allowed.

All forecasters agree that water is the one thing that wars will be fought over in future, and Indonesia must be able to establish regulations that protect ours. The WHO and Indonesian Military have agreed to police the implementation of the WHO treaty but do not mention water: Clean fresh water for drinking and food, or marine protection for our oxygen supply and ecosystems. In addition to the official statement for the Senate, this statement could support a refusal by the Intergovernmental Working Group to continue, on the grounds of the threat to Indonesia's water by non-disclosed biotech, eg in fogging solutions, to which the mosquitoes are resistant but is causing widespread Stage One Dementia, while it is still produced in Australia and smoked directly into people's homes in Indonesia. What has also not been disclosed is the Wolbachia IP Technology coupled with Microsoft's CCN Artificial Intelligence.

I feel that if Indonesia's Senate could raise awareness of the militarization of AI, as it follows the military protocol of retaliation, rather than peace-building and how it is being used in mapping the deployment of bombs and mosquito eggs, the Senate could also call for a moratorium on AI - starting with the Wolbachia IP Technology, Elon Musk/T Mobile experimental permit and the flagrant use by super-powers in air strikes, on the grounds that AI constitutes a radiological weapon of mass destruction. If we don't stop it now or get a postponement, AI will determine all future governance and decisions on military terms. Furthermore, Microsoft will protect its AI customers from legal responsibility, another layer of indemnity from the diplomatic immunity of the WHA and another support to the military arguments that no pathogens or digital information should be shared as it could be misused. Our statement should say that it is already being misused. https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2023-09-07/microsoft-says-it-will-protect-customers-from-ai-copyright-lawsuits

This is a big claim but also heroic, and means Indonesia might be able to stop the bombing of Gaza and the Yemen, as well as the deployment of the mosquitoes in Asian and African countries, and North and South America. The examples for which there needs to be an enquiry, include an investigation into whether the AI being used to map the deployment of mosquitoes eggs in Bali triggered the retaliation by the bombing of an Indonesian Hospital in Gaza, when the deployment was blocked on safety and efficacy grounds. Also, an investigation is needed into whether the same AI mapping is being used for the deployment of bombs by Israel, UK and US in Gaza

and that the AI has increased civilian targets from 50 a year that could be identified by human means, to 100 targets a day, 50 of which are being bombed - as has been reported. This also relates to the shift in American military strategy, where President Obama approved the bombing of "Signature Groups" rather than actual terrorist threats. Signature groups include anyone related to someone who has been killed or maimed in conflict. UK "Government officials are using artificial intelligence (AI) and complex algorithms to help decide everything from who gets benefits to who should have their marriage licence approved, according to a Guardian investigation.23 Oct 2023 https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2023/oct/23/uk-officials-use-ai-to-decide-on-issues-from-benefits-to-marriage-

licences#:~:text=Government%20officials%20are%20using%20artificial,according%20to%20a%20Guardian%20investigation

This would contribute to world peace in general and perhaps provide an opportunity to claim compensation, if the Senate endorse the statement that AI and all the Smart Technologies need to be postponed. https://www.hlp.city/smart-governance-a-hybrid-of-civic-technology-iot-and-local-

government/#:~:text=IGI%20Global%20defines%20Smart%20Governance,that%20public%20services%20are%20delivered.

This is not a health treaty it is war game and AI is a military tool, created, funded, produced and protected by the eugenicist (someone who believes that the world population must be diminished) technology, Microsoft and Bill Gates.

# Water Testing

https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2019/12/1/bali-the-tropical-indonesian-island-that-is-running-out-of-water

Indonesia's statement that can be used in every other member state after:

My experience was registering as an organic farmer in Ireland and finding out that my water could not be tested for AMPA and Glyphosate in Ireland, even though Round Up with these active ingredients, is the most common farm spray. This means drinking water isn't tested or filtered for it either.

Our statement must say that the sharing of a continually-updated list of new testing parameters and the recording of their appearance in the water is crucial to ensure the safety of incoming biotech, for both health and environmental products - vaccines, mosquitoes and fogging solutions, as well as marine and Carbon Capture and Storage.

Professor Suriyadarma, in Tabanan, teaches botany in Bali as well as Jogyakarta. He spoke at our Bali Solidarity flier handout and meeting with the Governor's office in the Denpasar park on 5th November. He also is head of the Indonesian Botanic Gardens on Hawaii. He said he would communicate with the Irrigation company on Maui who were stake holders in the mosquito releases there and ask if they actually released the mosquitoes into the waterways or what details of the release/program and gene sequence, the irrigation company were given and their role. Maui is important (maybe not for the official statement but as an example of Gene-edited organisms and micro-organisms contamination, where only deep scorching of the ground can stop the contamination from spreading.

So I think that a sentence or paragraph about genetic engineering and water testing parameters from your professional view? We could also point out that that monitoring could have been done by AI but instead, the presence of AI technology and license were not disclosed. Instead of monitoring, the biotech and pharmaceutical industry are simply saying gene editing does not create GMOs and that the mosquitoes and the pathogen strains used to create 'vaccines' are "substantially equivalent" to natural products and are harmless and don't need monitoring.

When I ran this by Professor Northcott for his professional opinion, as expert of bio cultural heritage and commons governance - including genetic engineering and the Subak, he simply said, "This 1000 yr old system is UNESCO-recognised and ought to be kept free from gene engineering of any kind!

21st January: Official Statement to Indonesian Senate - Possible Conclusion: This statement refers mainly to the WHO Treaty but applies to all international governance by the WEF, the IHR and amendments, GAVI, WHA, Conference of the parties, UN 'Climate Action', the military, and Artificial Intelligence. If Indonesia fails to actively reject any of the agreements, full executive powers and security silently pass to organizations that are protected from financial and operational liability. Simultaneously, the Indonesian government will remain responsible but lose the authority and ability to exercise control over any financial or operational risks.

Any external instruction to proliferate weapons of mass destruction; Radiological (Smart) Biological (medical, mosquito & green 'biotech') and Nuclear, will be legally binding and implemented as a military protocol.

Regardless of negotiations and final wording, control of the technology and data remain with the patent holders.

## 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Speech that UN Defense Ministers should be delivering to the people now as the vaccine manufacturers start to admit in court that their products killed or are threatened with mass releases.

I have respectfully asked my esteemed colleague if I may open this speech with a humble apology to the people of Indonesia. We have failed to protect you and Hankamrata, Total People Defense is our greatest responsibility.

First I want to acknowledge four years of tragic and criminal mismanagement of a pandemic. The pandemic was declared by the World Health Organization and measures to control it were provided by the World Health Organization.

In our ignorance of the science, we implemented the World Health Organization's health strategies without question, including vaccines using patented, experimental technology and even mandated them. We acknowledge that they damaged and killed a vast amount of our people. In addition, we acquiesced to the Ministry of Health's advice to maintain the hardest, longest lockdowns in the world and make no provision for the people.

In September, we were alerted to another World Health Organization 'health strategy' being implemented in Indonesia; the release of hundreds of millions of Aedes Aegypti Mosquitoes, intentionally infected with Wolbachia bacteria. This time, the science was delivered to the Defence Department, and for that we are very grateful.

I have to inform you, you should not consent if you are asked to incubate World Mosquito Program eggs.

Wolbachia bacteria is not safe. Editing the genes of microbes and any living organism is not safe. The Gene Drive Technology is not safe. The Wolbachia Gain of Function is not safe. The mass release of breeding, biting female mosquitoes is not safe. The inclusion of secret IP Technology to collect data is neither safe nor lawful. It is with horror that our President, and indeed all International Defence and Biosecurity Departments and Heads of State, should now see the World Health Organization, the charitable organizations that provide a false front for their health strategies and the funders, providers and Health Ministry facilitators, complicit in this grave endangerment of our people.

Although this is no excuse, government ministers were not informed or given the required opportunity to discuss the World Mosquito Program health strategy, to mass release mosquitoes.

Thankfully we had the choice, and made the right choice, to postpone the mass mosquito release in Bali and conduct a thorough investigation. At least, that is what we were promised by the police and Central Intelligence, but there has been a disturbing lack of action to stop the mosquito program releases in other places, even after police charges were filed.

We all now know that, after May this year, we will no longer have a choice. The disturbing amendments to the IHR that make all the WHO's recommendations legally binding instead of just advise. The Health Minister has agreed to receiving a vast Pandemic Preparedness fund, to implement the World Health Organization's mandates. Indonesia's Armed Forces have been hijacked to prepare to police Indonesian people to adhere to new international laws, drawn up by the World Health Organization. On their joint website between Indonesia's Armed Forces and the WHO, they commit to orchestrating 'Protracted Crisis'. In real terms, this means the WHO and UN can declare an international emergency and lockdown Indonesia for years if they want. The Treaty holds no process for declaring the END of a pandemic. The surveillance and restrictions could go on forever. The UN's control of resources, national decision-making and the control of the budget are intended to go on forever.

The Treaty also includes the requirement for Indonesia to purchase and use any genetically engineered product the funders of the World Health Organization want to sell to Indonesia. That might be technology for the environment, military or for injection into our men, women and children. Even if all our doctors, lawyers and other experts say a technology is not safe or effective. Even if it has been shown to directly kill a lot of people. Significantly, Indonesia is expected to share disease pathogens with the WHO so that their pharmaceutical industry funders can reproduce them and then created weaponised vaccine programs. All for profit and with no legal liability for the damage they will do. We fought this battle in 2008 and won. Indonesia, with Siti Fadilah Supari's expertise and discernment, remain the only country to have ever shut down a military bio lab. We must not let them build more. Today, I believe it is important to make an open commitment to demanding compensation from the World Health Organization Pandemic Fund, and the immediate removal of the Minister for Health, department staff and other officials who have financially benefited from withholding critical information about the WHO's Pandemic Treaty and changes to the International Health Regulations, from Bappenas.

There is now only 2 weeks left for the Indonesian President to save Indonesia by

saying no to the WHO.

I urge all other member states, as well, to question their delegates to the World Health Assembly. Indeed, The World Health Assembly and World Economic Forum have been proven 'not fit for purpose' and must be removed from their offices and from the protection of diplomatic immunity in Switzerland. Police charges have been filed against Switzerland's President insisting he remove the diplomatic immunity and deport the organizations from Switzerland.

By rejecting these Amendments and Treaties, Indonesia will retain the right to do a proper Financial, Legal and Operational Due Diligence in the unelected and unaccountable World Health Organization. This must be before they announce their legally-binding authority over our health, public budgets, and biosecurity.

So far, it has been shown that the World Health Organisation's Pandemic Preparedness health strategies do not work and are not intended to work. To genetically engineer diseases with greater fatality rates and greater transmissibility, in order to prepare a vaccine is an unacceptably dangerous business plan. We will not tolerate Indonesia again being a captured market.

If we do not send the notice, we will have no choices. If we do not withdraw from the WHO, we will lose all our rights as a nation.

I was asked to speak and use the authority of the Defence Department to veto the mosquito program, as a biological attack on the nation. That was 3 months ago, and we recognised that a release could indeed carry biosafety hazards. Since then, however, eminent scientists have admitted a series of disturbing consequences to releases including the introduction of 11 new diseases with the laboratory-grown mosquitoes. Also the American smart technology of our proposed new capital city, has been shown to be connected to the foreign control of all smart infrastructure through the same AI as contained in all the weaponised vectors and vaccines. Even the production and research of genetically engineered products, drugs and foods in Indonesia should not be tolerated. I would like to make a commitment that there will be the safe destruction and removal of all foreign technologies and GMOs, in its disease control and surveillance strategies. This includes reconsidering the dangerous link between Wolbachia IP Technology, 5G Technology Infrastructure and the running of our new capital and other so-called smart cities. The risk of external control and the intrusion on people's health, privacy and bodily integrity will be stopped.

I hope you can accept our apology for not identifying this war on Indonesia until now. Please be filled with hope now by the vision we have for a different future. Help us build it into a reality with our heightened consciousness of the dark deeds and forces that sovereign nations and people are facing, and a feeling of major empowerment that it was you the people who protected this land of the Gods and the blessings will be great.

# 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024

# Richard C Cook replies about all the alleged National Debts which we must clear in our Federal Supreme Court Appeal

Basically, nations of the Global South (used to be Third World or LDCs-Less Developed Countries) are attacked with loans they have to get from Western banks to meet expenses when the Federal Reserve raises interest rates.

Then they run to the IMF to borrow more money from Western banks. But they have

"conditionalities" imposed on them, which means selling off public assets like water systems, allowing foreign companies to come in to mine their resources, then cutting expenditures for government, education, and public services, which all means essentially selling their countries to the big banks and hedge funds. It's now being done to Ukraine, where Hedge Funds like BlackRock are even buying up their farm land. If politicians resist there is regime change where they are forced out of office by rigged elections or even assassinated. A book about all this is "Confessions of an Economic Hit Man."

It's all high-level crime.

## 7<sup>th</sup> February 24

African Vectors or Vaccines" Presentation to stop the roll out of Malaria insects, infected with the most serious Malarial parasites and additionally engineered and live parasites.

1.Genetically Engineered Vectors and Vaccines Are Bioweapons
The Use of Gene Drive Technology. No one is taking responsibility or any liability.
Escalation of Dengue Threat.

Mosquito eggs and live parasite vaccines Inherit Disease.

Hidden information: Wolbachia Bacteria - River Blindness and Filarial Disease and Wolbachia Technology - Intellectual Property and Internet Protocol - AI.

Recordings of Bioweapons' Presentation and first Gladiator Bangsa Conference after the mosquitoes announcement

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/10/all-eyes-on-bali-please-bio-attack.html The most un-Scientific method of all: 'Could have happened in nature'

The only question is "Are the deaths pre-meditated?"

Indonesia and Africa: Financial opportunities the WHO identified 35 years ago.

Africa Slide 2 Two: Map of Dangerous Variants and Worst Pathogens

There must be no Malaria vaccines administered or release of mosquitoes until the criminal and civil cases in indonesia have been heard against The "implementers"

Save The Children Fund, World Mosquito Program and the Health Minister Slide One:

- 1) 23 Charges of Untrue Public Information
- 2) 57 Negligible Risk Assessments "up-to-date knowledge should be followed and taken into consideration for the program to be able to immediately respond to changes in hazards or potential increases in risk." eg Brazil Map, Petition Missing Terms of Reference' as used in Canada for Citizens' Inquiry
- 3) Conflicts of interests (Ref: Sir Jeremy Farrah Oxitec WHO head scientist)
- 4) Liability 5) Experimental Permit This is a strong point to defend Africa, as a country at the Horn of Africa 'imported' Oxitec mosquitoes. This was the beginning of the escaping regulation, where eggs were found to be easier to transport and did not come under any regulation at either end, for example, invasive species.
- 6) Contravention of Other Treaties: Weapons of Mass Destruction, The Nuremberg Human Experimentation, Aarhus Convention
- 7) Due Diligence Questions 81 Questions

8) Ability to exercise control over a particular risk.

Investigations will be conducted into the wrong people and hearings will not take place

Africa Slide 3: Oxitec Materials make no claim of even being mosquitoes or otherwise

High Impact Projects: Mass Release, Mass Injection

Mass Financial Commitments and Not Mention Mass Murder?

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Africa Slide 6: Gates gives 7 billion and asks for 50 billion for Africa Compromised Position: Who Can Say No?

Leaders: Pandemic Fund and national debt - Private Creditors and Philanthropists Delegates: Incentives and control of budgets

Conference of the Parties:Treason, criminal responsibility

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And One Health contingent who in fact want the population reduced.

Stakeholders

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If we take a stand we must take a major stand and defend borders If we don't, the genocide will just play out.

#### Africa Slides with References:

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The "implementers"
Save The Children Fund, World Mosquito Program and the Health Minister

23 Charges of Untrue Public Information (Ref. 23 Untrue Statements and references) Ref Bioweapons paper 2021.

57 Negligible Risk Assessments to review. (Ref Risk Assessment: "up-to-date knowledge should be followed and taken into consideration for the program to be able to immediately respond to changes in hazards or potential increases in risk." eg Map

Plus the following omissions of risks from the Risk Assessment - also can be seen as missing 'Terms of Reference' as used in Canada for Citizens' Inquiry Conflicts of interests (Ref: Sir Jeremy Farrah Oxitec funder, developer, avian flu vaccine patent holder, professor of Vietnam Tropical diseases institute that taught WMP scientists and now WHO head scientist, in a position to call a pandemic, mandate his own vaccines, vectors, fogging and other food pest and environmental technologies) . (Ref: The GM Mosquitoes White Paper)

Liability - All stake holders received money but no stake holders will receive the active ingredients and specific gene sequences of releases, so no independent testing or monitoring human or environmental are possible. Even more difficult to prove. And even if a clear correlation is proved, no organization has said it will compensate for loss of life or livelihood.

Experimental Permit - This is a strong point to defend Africa, as a country at the Horn of Africa 'imported' Oxitec mosquitoes. This was the beginning of the escaping regulation, where eggs were found to be easier to transport and did not come under any regulation at either end, for example, invasive species.

Contravention of Other Treaties: Weapons of Mass Destruction, The Nuremberg Human Experimentation, Aarhus Convention - Public involvement in decisions affecting their environment. Vectors as weapons of mass destruction. Use of military AI and other technologies for foreign surveillance and cause of harm.

Due Diligence Questions were received by WMP Yogyakarta, Denpasar, and Head Quarters in Australia, without reply. The Due Diligence questions were to compare

Yogyakarta Trial and proposed Bali Release. 81 Questions

Ability to exercise control over a particular risk.

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2024/02/case-against-health-ministe.html Ref. 23 Untrue Statements and references

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## Military Criteria:

conditions an effective biological weapon has to meet https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Military\_necessity

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Transmission Zero: Malaria Africa Mosquito:

https://www.miragenews.com/us15m-boost-for-malaria-eradicating-mosquito-1123205/

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Other references and observations for the Malaria vaccines and mosquitoes and Africa

Risk Assessment observations on the 57 negligible risks.

7. Selection for more virulent arboviruses

Although there was evidence that the mosquito populations were majorly reduced (by between 90% and 96%), there was no evidence that there were fewer cases of dengue fever or Zika virus, both carried by the Aedes Aegypti mosquito. Furthermore, up until 2015, Zika was considered a benign disease, with no symptoms but the Zika epidemic that spread in Brazil in 2015 and 2016, registered over 200,000 cases of babies born with brain defects, from the infection (Lowe, 2018). If there is any chance at all that genetically engineered mosquitoes could drive the development of a deadly variant of a previously harmless virus, another release should be deemed unacceptable.

Replacement of dengue vectors During Oxitec's Brazil release, 450,000 GE mosquitos were released every week for two years from 2013-2015 in Jacobina.

Pf sporozoites PfSPZ parasites host to wolbachia bacteria:

https://www.mmv.org/malaria/lifecycle-malaria-

parasite#:~:text=Malaria%20parasites%20of%20the%20genus,female%20Anophele s%20mosquitoes%20and%20humans.

What are the two hosts of malaria parasite?

Lifecycle of the malaria parasite | Medicines for Malaria Venture

Malaria parasites of the genus Plasmodium spread by successively infecting two types of hosts: female Anopheles mosquitoes and humans.

Untrue Public Information and Criminal Ministerial Responsibility

In the Brazil field trials, Oxitec did not perform experiments to assess whether GM

mosquitoes might persist in the wild (Powell, 2019). All governments, including the US, have little or no regulatory oversight for gene edited GMOs. They based this hands-off policy on the false belief that gene editing is safe, predictable and even of benefit to public health. As another research group pointed out, public education is not the same as public consultation (Powell, 2019). With such vast numbers of GE insects proposed to be released in densely populated areas, a public referendum should perhaps be called to ensure public awareness and involvement in the decision-making process.

#### Conclusion:

Mosquito releases insert surveillance biotech and cause an increased blood-feeding intensity among female adults, the mosquitoes' ability to find blood meals ed manner.

However, up-to-date knowledge should be followed and taken into consideration for the program to be able to immediately respond to changes in hazards or potential increases in risk.

Limitation:

ability to exercise control over a particular risk

Malaria Vaccine Trials

Introduce Intravenous 3 does better than 4, no benefit to intramuscular vaccination.

Live 'weakened' virus.

Consists of developing parasites

Wolbachia lives in Parasite

Inoculation with parasites?

https://www.nih.gov/news-events/nih-research-matters/experimental-malaria-vaccine-protects-adults-more-year

Why are vaccines not given intravenously. Most work better just on the scarified skin Then this article says this guy found that diphtheria and tetanus vaccines worked better in aluminium and injected.

Intra muscular works better than intravenously.

Does aluminium damage more in blood than muscle though?

https://www.forbes.com/sites/quora/2017/11/07/why-arent-vaccines-given-intravenously/

Screenshot aluminium in the blood during 'insult period' Whole new meaning to adding "insult to injury" aluminium in the blood worse than muscle?

They're all transmitted by mosquitoes (although the vector for Japanese Encephalitis is Culex whereas Zika and dengue are Aedes).

Clinically, dengue and Zika illnesses show similar symptoms with rash, fever, myalgia, eye pain, headachesm and Japanese encephalitis and Zika are somewhat similar in their neurotropism zika compared to japanese encephalitis

They are using a genetically engineered strain of Malaria - a created gain of function strain with no idea if it will immunise against any real Strain of malaria, The same problem of all pandemic pathogens, that they say could

happen in nature. They couldn't happen in nature,

Completely unscientific to say they could. how it will mutate, Be fed by Wolbachia bacteria See screenshot 24 Strain selection 38 Dengue evolution

39 Dengue vector competence

42 Host preference

is PfSPZ genetically engineered

Mario is Faracruz new president, the old one has just been made Minister of health (Nísia Trindade Lima who is responsible for creation of the COVID-19 Observatory and the Fiocruz Genomic Surveillance Network; and inauguration of the COVID-19 Biobank (BC19-FIOCRUZ). During her management, Fiocruz became a reference institution for the WHO in the Americas for the diagnosis of COVID-19. (https://portal.fiocruz.br/en/news/nisia-trindade-lima-will-be-first-woman-head-brazilian-ministry-health

https://portal.fiocruz.br/en/news/mario-moreira-appointed-acting-president-fiocruz

Brazil's first releases of Wolbachia mosquitoes began in September 2014 in Rio de Janeiro. Large-scale deployments in the country followed three years later https://www.worldmosquitoprogram.org/en/news-stories/media-releases/brazil-fiocruz-and-world-mosquito-program-launch-new-partnership#:~:text=Brazil%27s%20first%20releases%20of%20Wolbachia,country%

20followed%20three%20years%20later.

Wolbachia increases susceptibility to Plasmodium infection ...

National Institutes of Health (.gov)

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov > articles > PMC3924077

by F Zélé · 2014 · Cited by 96 — Host sharing may also, however, facilitate parasite development, most notably when one of the parasites immunosupresses the host [2]. Co ...

Missing: PfSPZ | Show results with: PfSPZ

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ICLEI are rolling out the objectives of the international players on a local level.

https://southasia.iclei.org/our-pathways/\GMOs can become biological time bombs, hiding their unpredictable side effects until they have come into contact with certain species or conditions, or until their genetic constructs have mutated in future generations. The hope is that the male GE mosquitoes would mate with the native population of females and the lethal gene only be passed to female offspring.

the RTS,S vaccine has arrived just in time. The vaccine was created in 1987 and began pilot implementation in endemic countries in 2019. This first-generation malaria vaccine demonstrates modest efficacy against malaria illness and holds promise as a public health tool,

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7227679/

The difference between Plasmodium and sporozoites - undifferentiated cell in mosquito and differentiates in host to 5 plasmodium parasites what are sporozoites

Two are common and are dangerous, two are latent as sporozoites and maintain a reservoir of infection.

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7694999/

Yes which are radiated attenuated and also aluminium do matrix malaria vaccines have underdeveloped parasites in them

Four kinds of malaria parasites infect humans: Plasmodium falciparum, P. vivax, P. ovale, and P. malariae. In addition, P. knowlesi, a type of malaria that naturally infects macaques in Southeast Asia

what sort of developing parasites go into the malaria vaccine

Attenuation is the reduction of the intensity of an x-ray beam as it traverses matter. The reduction may be caused by absorption or by deflection (scatter) of photons what does radiation-attenuated mean

Mosquitoes (and other invertebrates) do not have an internal skeleton like we do to support their organ systems. Instead, they have a hard external skeleton (exoskeleton) made of chitin.

is a mosquito an invertebrate

a number of natural and synthetic carbohydrate structures have been used as adjuvants in clinical trials, and two have recently been approved in human vaccines. However, naturally derived carbohydrate adjuvants are heterogeneous, difficult to obtain and, in some cases, unstable. Adjuvants contain aluminium and some have mercury.

...abundant case reports and series were published supporting that various autoimmune disorders may be induced by adjuvants and be enclosed under ASIA syndrome (4, 12).

is matrix m adjuvant genetically engineered

Contains the same as the Covid 19 vaccines

The R21 vaccine uses a circumsporozoite protein (CSP) antigen, at a higher proportion than the RTS,S vaccine. It uses the same HBsAg-linked recombinant structure, but contains no excess HBsAg. It includes the Matrix-M adjuvant that is also utilized in the Novavax COVID-19 vaccine.

https://www.google.com/search?client=safari&rls=en&q=what+ingredients+in+the+matrix+malaria+vaccine&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8

Wolbachia is a parasite. It works as a parasite in mosquitoes and other arthropods and acts as a mutualist in round worms.

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2721558/

"intracellular parasites such as Wolbachia."

Mosquito population control original plan that all infected mosquitoes will cause

embryonic death if they mate with uninfected mosquitoes. can cytoplasmic incompatibility gene transfer to humans

Wmel wolbachia strain causes cytoplasmic incompatibility. erythrocyte cytosol wolbachia

Anopheles (Malaria-carrying) species spike after release of Aedes Aegypti. anopheles malaria parasites feed on what

"Study raises hopes that bacteria used to control dengue virus may also help prevent malaria transmission"

But if wolbachia already exists in Anopheles it means it lives symbiotic with malaria parasites and feeds them?

https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/newsevents/news/2021/first-concrete-evidence-presence-wolbachia-malaria-transmitting-mosquitoes

Vivisection involved on primates and rodents. Plasmodium falciparum in animals

Horn of Africa connection with Oxitec UK mosquitoes (Jeremy Farrar) - first imports and exports with exemption from regulation. where is djibouti

On request from Djibouti Oxitec in 2021 is bringing their mosquitoes. 2012, the Anopheles species arrived and malaria. https://www.oxitec.com/oxitec-in-djibouti

Safe, effective and affordable mosquitoes- untrue https://www.worldmosquitoprogram.org/en/news-stories/media-releases/brazil-fiocruz-and-world-mosquito-program-launch-new-partnership#:~:text=Brazil%27s%20first%20releases%20of%20Wolbachia,country%20followed%20three%20years%20later.

As alternative attenuation strategy with a more homogeneous population of Pf sporozoites (PfSPZ), genetically engineered Plasmodium berghei sporozoites (SPZ) lacking the genes b9 and slarp induced sterile protection against malaria in mice. is PfSPZ genetically engineered

Why aren't vaccines given intravenously? https://www.forbes.com/sites/quora/2017/11/07/why-arent-vaccines-given-intravenously/

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"WHO" has recommended a new vaccine, R21/Matrix-M, for the prevention of malaria in children. The recommendation follows advice from the WHO: Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization (SAGE) and the Malaria Policy Advisory Group (MPAG) and was endorsed by the WHO Director-General following its regular biannual meeting held on 25-29 September. WHO also issued recommendations on the advice of SAGE for new vaccines for dengue and meningitis, along with immunization schedule and product recommendations for COVID-19. WHO also issued key immunization programmatic recommendations on polio, IA2030 and recovering the immunization programme. The R21 vaccine is the second malaria vaccine recommended by WHO, following the RTS,S/AS01 vaccine, which received a WHO recommendation in 2021. Both vaccines are shown to be safe and effective in preventing malaria in children and, when implemented broadly, are expected to have high public health impact" https://www.who.int/news/item/02-10-2023-who-recommends-r21-matrix-m-vaccine-for-malaria-prevention-in-updated-advice-on-immunization.

In regard to injection into the muscle or intravenously of vaccines. "Aluminum compounds can further enhance the immune response by direct or indirect stimulation of dendritic cells, activation of complement and by inducing the release of chemokines." aluminium in the blood worse than muscle?

Overview. Zika is a mosquito-borne virus, similar to dengue fever, yellow fever and West Nile virus. zika compared to japanese encephalitis. How Zika evolved after mosquito release into more like Japanese Encephalitis. What we know. "Zika virus disease is generally mild, and severe disease requiring hospitalization and deaths are uncommon. Zika infection during pregnancy can cause serious birth defects and is associated with other pregnancy problems". "Zika virus (ZIKV) has been shown to be highly neurotropic; neurologic disorders are a common complication of this infection. Encephalitis-an inflammation of the brain parenchyma associated with neurologic dysfunction-is a rare complication of ZIKV infections."

"People in the trial areas have not provided their consent to being experimented on with OX5034.

The most common occurrence in genetic engineering is unexpected side effects. For example, when male mosquitoes were produced in an experiment that eliminated their attraction to the scent of the female mosquitoes and their inclination to mate, the males developed an attraction instead to human blood, which previously only females expressed (Tracey, 2020)" Ref: Frances' White Paper GM Mosquitoes from a Microbial Perspective

Open releases of GM insects – particularly GM mosquitoes – into the environment to date have not delivered on their promises. Misleading hype has led to significant opportunity costs and the exposure of people to unnecessary risks. These mistakes must

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The capacity and use of AI, sharing of images as complex as blood dna from mosquitoes and other surveillance technology and nano.

https://www.theguardian.com/technology/2023/oct/23/uk-officials-use-ai-to-decide-on-issues-from-benefits-to-marriage-

licences#:~:text=Government%20officials%20are%20using%20artificial,according%20to%20a%20Guardian%20investigation.

## A training and simulation exercise

https://everydayconcerned.net/2020/07/14/confirmed-covid-19-plandemic-a-known-live-training-and-simulation-exercise-under-who-treasonously-agreed-to-by-194-countries/

Citizens enquiries 4 out of 5 Canadians said they experienced harm by covid policies https://nationalcitizensinguiry.ca

Cyber security capacity survey of Indonesia conducted by Oxford. Mosquitoes also from Oxford. https://cybilportal.org/projects/cmm-review-indonesia/

International relationships and inbalance. https://kemlu.go.id/portal/en No mention of AUKUS

Complaint to Indonesian Telecommunication Regulatory Authority (BRTI) for deplatforming Gladiator Bangsa for sharing information.

https://globaledge.msu.edu/global-resources/resource/10568

No further 5G or radiation assessment or regulation means no more understanding of AI or smart infrastructure capacity.

https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/national-toxicology-program-stop-research-cellphone-radiation-human-

health/?utm\_source=luminate&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=defender-wk&utm\_id=20240121

Al capacity and data gathering without consent via satellite, devices, platforms, drones etc. https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/wef-artificial-intelligence-digital-id-

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The risks of smart cities, governance without consideration by a military technology. https://www.hlp.city/smart-governance-a-hybrid-of-civic-technology-iot-and-local-government/#:~:text=IGI%20Global%20defines%20Smart%20Governance,that%20public%20services%20are%20delivered.

First Gene Drive technology in Africa

https://communities.springernature.com/posts/entomological-lessons-from-the-first-release-of-genetically-modified-mosquitoes-in-

africa#:~:text=All%20marked%20mosquitoes%20were%20released,and%208%2C4 22%20wild%20type%20mosquitoes.

Target Malaria are Bill Gates and Wellcome Trust (Sir Jeremy Farrar Head Scientist of the WHO now but still on Wellcome Trust, Oxitec etc) and World Bank - again. https://targetmalaria.org/about-us/

Mectzan Donation Partnership - Ivermectin for African River Blindness endemic. 100 million doses delivered (caused by Wolbachia bacteria)

https://www.merck.com/stories/mectizan/

Yes: Ref: are malaria vaccines mrna And even the ones that aren't use gene edited parasites of the most lethal malaria strain and deliver them in embryonic form via the injections.

# 10<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Introduction to Anna Von Reitz, Judge and responsible for Family Trusts, for the Benefit of Humanity

## Dear Anna,

I was delighted and relieved to hear of your work from Stephen of English Counties Assembly. At first, i couldn't imagine that there were reserves of money assigned for the benefit of humanity. Then i remembered my father who was a judge, in the high court and circuit courts, telling me of a difficulty with legacies. The example was that many elderly people leave legacies for 'the lifeboats' in their wills. This meant that the RNLI who run the lifeboats in England and Ireland at least, could only spend the money on their lifeboat services and not on developing their cliff and air rescue services. Now I reallize this is a mechanism that must also have been used consciously by men and women to determine how their legacies are spent.

I understand that you are sharing the resources to sovereign nations and only to men and women who have formally corrected their status, which I have. My Claim of Fact and Declaration of Dominion, my Affidavit of Clear Perfect Allodial Land Title and my Trust are all dated to 2nd October 2021.

i, woman frances am writing to inquire if you would authorize the seeding of multiple public banks that will use water as their reserve basis "golden peg"and support subsistence farms. Food Sovereignty and Water Security Proposal

I built a dedicated website in 2021 to start membership and contribution to some public banks https://green-business-consultancy.ie/public-banking-ireland/. I hoped to secure European Green Deal funding. I also tendered to manage the National Biodiversity Data Centre, which would have been a powerful data base to use to decide lending criteria. I was briefly considered an Irish 'government partner in working with Germany's Sparkassen international Cooperation Arm's, Harald Felzen, in defining a public banking rollout for ireland - the plan is attached. I also worked closely with the Public Banking Alliance who are amazingly knowledgeable and competent, including my friend Diarmaid Mulcahy.

In the last few months I have been helping a leadership group Gladiator Bangsa - Professor Richard Claproth, Dr Kun and Siti Fadilah, navigate for Indonesia, as well as for African countries, Malaysia, Thailand, the Philippines, Brazil, Ireland and Britain, a way out of their alleged national debts and the compromised permissions and approvals they have given to biotech pharmaceuticals and nuclear, and their sovereignty give-aways.

In the past, I thought compensation would have to come through the courts, having found the misuse of technologies to harm as premeditated. Now I hope that we can go ahead and build our Jural Assemblies and education systems without interfacing with the corporate system for money to do it.

I have lived in private for two and half years, signed off the voting, medical, tax, business and land registers. I have returned Frances Micklem's birth certificate. I also have my post sent to another address to avoid making my home a public building. I even went off the mains electricity grid. A group of 15 close friends and a 1000 in a wider circle corrected our status' to living men and women around the same time. We all live in eire (Ireland) but reconnected with our national heritage. Can we be one assembly as there is no more than one of us from each ancient county, in our own nations, who is ready to assemble? For example, I was born in Buckinghamshire but I do not know anyone in Bckingham, and I haven't been there for 40 years.

The public banking team are international. In addition, i am connected to groups in England who are embarking on the status correction journey and keen to form assemblies in our ancient counties in Great Britain.

Those of us who have corrected our status hoped we would become the beneficiaries of our corporate trusts, or beneficiaries in some way. I have been practicing exercising my power of attorney over my legal fiction while trying to avoid making joinder all over again with the main institutions and police with their ever-increasing emergency powers - the reason I had to leave my home in Ireland last year.

I will hold on to it, if it is to be the public bank it was built to be, where everything is as it should be. However, without resources or recourse to support in legal matters,.I was thinking of selling my property, so I made enquiries about using a usual estate agent and solicitor, which would be disappointing. What we believe needs to happen in terms of housing is that public banks can eventually buy the whole portfolio of mortgages and reduce their inflated values and mortgages to a sustainable level that reflects the true value. https://publicbankingalliance.ie/

in regard to my personal circumstances. As I hope to keep volunteering my writing and other advocacy engagements which are more than full time already, I added a Go Fund Me to the financial website and also have my other website http://www.alternativehealthconsultancy.ie with a donation to paypal button. I also have copious books and paintings for sale. Neither website, nor my advocacy, creations or educational services have made a regular income, so please let me know if it is legitimate for individuals to receive resources from the legacies you manage.

I heard that you have arranged to distribute Federal dollars which intrinsically hold value? What do you suggest for other currencies? I have noticed in pounds, euros and Asian bank notes, they are replacing them with notes reinforced with blood and other 'byproducts' from pigs. I want the new infrastructure we build to reflect total awareness of others and our impact, so I look forward to hearing how we can develop a currency for each nation's public banks with this increased value but

without misusing animals. Also to this end, I became friends with the US' Humane Party a few years ago, who have provided a shareable non-exploitative, complete economic plan, which I think would be appropriate to adapt to each nation. https://humaneherald.org/publications/?fbclid=IwAR2eV-Zm\_InhiJPndiUsqBm9jktraY6Uh3vTNpBoBDf2dfkMSo6rZ4Qgcs

#### Proof of corrected status:

- 1. Claim of Fact and Declaration of Dominion. I chose purple text, relating, i believe, to my adherence to the Law of the Air. I follow "the three laws: keep the peace, do no harm, treat others as you would like to be treated yourself' so I hope I "automatically fulfil all other laws and stand above any other form of law." I have done this by being vegan for over twenty years and developing mastery, harmony and my inner authority.
- 2. Deeds of Allodial Rights to my private property, wheereby I "junked the title" and withdrew my home from the land registry. establishing my sovereign responsibility for the land and soil.
- 3. My Certification of Trust
- 4. Declaration of Status, Property and Obligation (B)
- 5. Second Page of Status Property and obligation
- 6. Third page of Status property and obligation
- 7.Birth Certificate Revoked and Returned to State issuer
- 8. Notice of Return That Accompanied Birth Certificate Exhibit B
- 9. Autograph for Declaration and all Exhibits and Attachments
- 10.Index of Documents

Stephen of the British Assemblies is a brilliant activist and a fountain of knowledge. I was glad to meet him two weeks ago and i look forward to working with him. However, he dismissed my corrected status and said I would have to do the documents he has prepared to be eligible for your backing. Is that true?

I feel I have gone a considerable and even exemplary way with the process, for myself and my property.

In addition, I think my efforts are best focused now - before the incoming WHO Treaty and UN Sustainablity Treaty - on making alternative provision by way of public banks in each member state. I have the beginnings of the core team and they will be willing to correct their status once they understand it is a prerequisite to financing the banks.

Also very active already are huge swathes of good lawyers, doctors and every other unvaccinated man and woman with competent inner authority. For example, in the World Council For Health, of which I am a part. My idea is to propose that each nation or maybe just all large-scale projects you fund should commit to being an organic "control group", and then record how the population's health and the soil's fertility recover, to help nations refuse the smart technology experimental permits.

## 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Sharing Information with different WCH Country Councils

## 17<sup>th</sup> February 2024

The Irish Referendum to taking out "women' from the Constitution - landslide victory for the people who all voted No.

Darrren-Anthony & Emer: No To Taking 'Woman', 'Mother' and 'Family' from the Constitution

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2024/02/irelands-referendum-vote-no-to-hold-on.html

## 17<sup>th</sup> February 2024

## Me on Childrens Health Defense TV Africa:

https://live.childrenshealthdefense.org/chd-tv/shows/good-morning-chd/mosquito-bio-warfare--who-desperation-grows/

# 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

## Information sent to WCH Eire

- 1. Elon Musk who owns X, responsible for Disease X caused by Electroporation
  The genetic modification that can be carried out remotely through electrical pulse.
- 2. Abbot Laboratories with no planning permission
- 3. South African lawyers file charges of War Crimes to US, UK and Israel
- 1. This disease X directly correlates to Elon Musk's 180 day experimental permit, a Space X project started about 2 months ago. In the same way as earlier world-wide malaise follow new technologies, eg Spanish Flu followed the implementation of radio. The permit has been granted to use his satellites that are in position already to interact with T mobile devices. T mobile have a massive lawsuit already of 350 million, that they've had to pay on violations tracker (https://violationtracker.goodjobsfirst.org/violation-tracker/-t-mobile-7)

I was hoping Congressman Dan Fernandes and his team (connected positively with Dr Marivic WCH) would challenge this permit to see if they could still muster the authority to stop it, pending due diligence. Congress are in theory over the Federal Communications body that gave the approval. If they can't stop it, it means national governments have already lost control. If Congress can stop it, they could unearth all the unlawfulness of data collection, remote genetic engineering (where pulses can engineer genetic changes in the body: Electric pulses

"Electroporation" designates the use of electric pulses for gene transfer - explained in the Bioweapons paper and

https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/16096009/#:~:text=Electroporation%20designates% 20the%20use%20of,transiently%20permeabilize%20the%20cell%20membrane.) and threat to health of the new technology. This experiment is on all nations and constitutes a radiological weapon of mass destruction. This connects with, counterindicates and is in addition to the MMWave

(https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC9203081/that is being rolled out across UK https://www.computerweekly.com/news/365532575/UK-regulator-gives-green-light-to-5G-mmWave-developmentand no doubt Ireland which can also deliver gene sequences and disrupt our own. And of course the relationship between smart infrasturcture, 5G, all the vaccinated and all those bitten by the Wolbachia IP Technology coupled with Microsoft CNN AI, as well as all the inanimate devices. I think there Eamon Ryan should answer about the roll-out of 5G during the

lockdown and safety etc. amongst other things of course! There is not one doctor on the governing board. When I asked Malcolm Noonan, he said 'The WHO says its safe' so it could be another way to show that Ireland shouldn't take WHO's recommendations.

- 2) There are the Abbott pharmaceuticals factories 800 jobs they promoted it as offering in Kilkenny, that didn't have to put in any environmental impact statement and is on a green field site. What they are actually contributing to, no doubt is the computerization of the human body. Freestyle Libre technology means that sensors are inserted under the skin to monitor. In reality the monitoring is a two-way street and will no doubt will connect to wifi. It is a clinical laboratory, which I gather means there will be animal testing. When I made an objection to the planning office, it hadn't gone to the Kilkenny County Council but straight to An Bord Pleanala. Neither would share the strategy to manage animals, data, or environmental hazards, despite violations in the past, ruining water sources and poor employer cases 700 million in government contracting and 27 million in saafety non compliance (https://violationtracker.goodjobsfirst.org/parent/abbott-laboratories
- 3) I have been in contact with the Palestinian support board in Ireland about South African lawyers have filed charges against the UK and US, as well as Israel for war crimes. I think I sent that to Eddie as well.

# 26th February 2024

First contact with Kingdom of Hawaii who are threatened with 20 years of military lab altered insects - on an emergency permits on no grounds, with no human health impact study and wild breaches of the Nuremburg Code. Complete Conflicts of Interest Slide Presentations - Fahrie Hassan -sent.

I watched the Nina Lia interview, please thank her, on CHDTV. I was also interviewed about the Mosquitoes as Biowarfare (Indonesia) on CHDTV, which was aired yesterday. https://live.childrenshealthdefense.org/chd-tv/shows/good-morningchd/ As I listened to Nina, I took some notes of things I wanted to add in case they're helpful. Secondly, I wish you well on the appeal. I really feel that we (all member states) should unite as the appeal is the only relevant court case actually happening before the WHO treaty is passed (if you can raise the 30,000, and therefore a chance for a proper pushback against the criminality of the whole thing. I am working on an affidavit for Bali, and wider Indonesia against their mosquito deployment. We got a postponement on the Bali Wolbachia Mosquito release and the day we achieved that, an Indonesian Hospital was bombed in Palestine - that is how determined the military/biotech industry, coupled to Artificial Intelligence, is to push these destructive projects forwards. In Indonesia, there are criminal charges filed with the police against the World Mosquito Program and Save the Children Fund (the implementers), and a civil case against the health minister/WHO delegate. It sounds like your health minister is awake, which is a blessing but maybe he is not Hawaii's WHO delegate? You seem to have an awful lot of agencies as 'stake holders' in the attack on your islands. To get you started with your conflicts of interest, I will send you Fahrie's work and you might be able to track who has received money from whom to allow this. I remember reading that Maui's Irrigation Company were 'partners', so they should make a statement as to why they are allowing/facilitating this larva crisis and pollution. A professor and friend is head of the Indonesian

Botanic Gardens in Hawaii and is willing to communicate with the Irrigation Company on their participation. He spoke at our rally, in Denpasar, on Bali.

Nina said that you had been reassured that if things go wrong, the species will be 'replaced'. That means that they plan a gene drive. A gene drive is the only way you can replace a species. It is a military technology being promoted as for conservation. On my interview, it shows the world-wide petition against gene drives. Until recently they were forbidden for open-air release as too dangerous. The petition was endorsed by something like 300 conservationists. I wonder if you could get Jane Goodall or David Attenborough to make a statement. I am sure that Jim Thomas of ETC would be an expert witness and others from the Institute For Responsible Technology.

It is our plan in Indonesia to see if a high impact experimental permit like this can be withdrawn through usual national authorities, before the WHO Treaty is passed. The theory is that if they can't stop the project, it means that they have already lost sovereign control of decisions and that will galvanise them into action to exit the WHO. If a national regulatory authority can stop the project, it will allow all the information to come out and discredit the WHO, and "pandemic preparedness" in all its dangerous applications and undisclosed intentions and ramifications. This will empower other member states to act too.

So, I heard Nina say that Bill Gates was involved at the very beginning with the first laboratories. This is significant as it was when the Wolbachia IP Technology coupled with CNN AI was smuggled into the bacteria. It was the same here in Indonesia. The universities in Yogyakarta were adamant that the mosquitoes were natural and the wolbachia bacteria was natural. This is because Bill Gates laboratories had done the gene editing before the mass production and academic institutions were engaged (to incentivise and achieve manufactured consent respectively).

The World Mosquito Program scientists argued the wolbachia mosquitoes are infected with a different strain to the Wolbachia living in human parasites (in Falarial disease, river blindness and Elephantitus etc) and different strain to the fish and birds who eat the most larvae. We asked for the strain to be shared with Bali's EPA and doctors so they could monitor the spread and if it started appearing in diseases or drinking water. We asked 81 questions actually, in our Due Diligence questions where we sought to understand how comparable the Safety Trials in Yogyakarta were to the deployment in Bali. You can imagine, I really appreciated Nina talking about the "super infections" - which, I think, refer to the presence of many different strains of bacteria? Please send me any more information on this.

Nina mentioned West Nile virus and Japanese Encephalitis amongst other pathogens showing up, and I believe that another professor would give evidence of his meeting with the WMP scientists when they confirmed that after the release of the mosquitoes - Aedes Aegypti both male and female in this experiment - there was a massive spike in the Culex species and they had brought Japanese Encephalitis and 5 children had contracted it at least, one died quickly, and immediately a Japanese Encephalitis vaccine for children was nearly rolled out but thankfully stopped. This wasn't recorded.

In fact Microsoft AI did the Risk assessment, the mapping of the deployment and of course the Microsoft CNN Technology in the mosquito which should be used for monitoring but isn't. Only for surveillance, or control or bioligal data collection, vaccination or whatever its capacity is but it transmits via the 5G network, being built for smart cities. Its terms of the Nuremberg code, there is a case that these early GM bacteria of Bill Gates constitute 'commissioning a crime' against humanity and against peace for that matter. As well, the code says categorically that informed consent must be sought for experiments on human subjects.

Also I would like to see if your case mentions the convention for the non proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. What is being done to Hawaii, Indonesia and indeed all UN Member states are intentionally and unintentionally being deployed offensively, against people as, after all, mosquitoes feed on human blood, as well as interacting dangerously in the environment.

I have more notes but I want to get this off and make contact at least and say that we in Indonesia are here to help and ready to act. I also wanted to make sure you are aware that the only way to get rid of a biological contamination is through scorching. I have a colleague who will be able to give evidence as well that it was the Space X army that carried out the targeted incineration of Maui last September. There was also an amnesty for the disposal of pesticides in Maui around the same time which would be worth investigating. Biopesticides may well have been among them and it was held at a secret destination.

I believe that Hawaii is being used as a remote experimentation area to test bioweapons. In September the UN will be prescribing the mining of many resources and deployment of a huge amount of biotech, in the name of conservation. I think Nina raised this point. Indonesia, will be forced to extract and contribute its resources and every nation will be complicit and deeply financially committed to the WHO.

I have written to Anna Von Reitz, a judge in America about the use of family trust funds, dedicated for the good of men and women. I will write again and see if she would sponsor the appeal hearing. It is true, I haven't heard back from her yet but each communication starts a ripple of hope and this message comes with much respect and support for all you are doing at Hawaii Unites. References:

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/11/gmo-mosquitoes-from-microbial.html

https://www.science.org/content/article/study-dna-spread-genetically-modified-mosquitoes-prompts-backlash

I can't remember where I got the research on ovarian tumours I'm afraid sorry! This might be something:

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2666500/

Attached is the mosquito points paper I sent you before but with the references!!!

1. This is where I got the information about moving from 50 targets a year to 100 targets a day using AI.

https://www.brighteon.com/6b500162-072d-4980-96a5-16798a65e601

Israel uses AI to identify targets

https://www.theguardian.com/world/2023/dec/01/the-gospel-how-israel-uses-ai-to-select-bombing-targets

- 2. The information was first hand about being able to tell where the mosquitoes are and who they are biting. A friend and business owner on Bali was told by the WMP person recruiting in her area.
- 3. Professor Warsito, the WMP Scientist in Yogyakarta is quoted in an article saying that they can 'stop' the Wolbachia mosquitoes if their prevalence goes over 60% I could maybe find that article
- 4.Indonesian Hospital in Israel destroyed in retaliation. It means means if you are successful in stopping the releases, you have to be really vigilant that releases don't continue https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2023/11/25/gazas-indonesian-hospital-in-ruins-after-israeli-raid-days-long-siege

I served notice on the WHO for their pandemic preparedness principles https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/questions-to-ask-before-you-sign-treaty.html

and their military retaliation strategy.

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/whos-thin-veneer-of-health-strategy.html

This was researched by Richard when I found Save The Children Fund was a front for the WHO and the Armed Forces.

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/analysis-of-who-and-military-relations.html

We have filed criminal charges against Save The Children Fund. I will also attach the case we have brought against the health minister.

## 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Request to South African lawyer firm who filed criminal charges of War Crimes, to get several innocent men out of prison to witness and give testimony.

Thank you for your time on the telephone today and for addressing the war crimes. I am grateful for this opportunity to add

- 1) the use of artificial Intelligence, a military technology weaponized by its retaliation protocol.
- 2) the extraction of Palestine's natural gas and other resources and
- 3) the contravening of the Non proliferation of weapons of mass destruction treaty to the crimes and, I'm afraid,
- 4) Please add the United Nations to the parties committing these war crimes.

We will need four at least of the men who have made Protected Disclosures who are in custody, to give evidence and win their freedom.

Julian Assange was the first to reveal the UN's perpetuation of conflict.

Richard Boyle who worked towards the end of Usury and could confirm malpractice in the WEF.

David McBride who blew the whistle on War Crimes in Afghanistan, confirmed by the Brereton Report.

Reiner Fuellmich who was imprisoned as he took the pharmaceutical industry and governments to court for genocide during the pandemic.

The precedent in law we have is the woman I volunteer for, previous Health Minister of Indonesia who is the only political leader we have in the world, I believe, who has been to prison for trying to avoid a biological disaster. The only person who has been able to shut down a military laboratory, on biosafety and corruption grounds. She also hid a deadly pathogen from the WHO and refused to share samples. It was gone when she got out of prison. When she was finally able to track it down, it was in Ukraine, where there are reports of terrible experiments and noncompliance in American-funded military laboratories there.

https://www-suarapemredkalbar-com.translate.goog/read/nasional/30052022/biolab-as-namru-2-yang-dilawan-siti-fadilah-menkes-yang-

dipenjarakan?\_x\_tr\_sl=id&\_x\_tr\_tl=en&\_x\_tr\_hl=en&\_x\_tr\_pto=wapp
This is the problem of Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC) it is justified and publicly-funded on health terms but then patented for vaccine profits and the findings withheld on defence grounds. I will share a bioweapons paper, that was drafted in 2021. It talks about non-invasive gene therapy. This relates to Elon Musk's 180 day experimental permit to use his satellites for undisclosed purposes but in connection with T Mobile devices and 5 and 6G smart infrastructure and networks to collect and transmit data and degradation of human health, without any regulatory oversight.

157 of 194 UN Member states have lodged formal reservations, rejections, and some even withdrawn formally from the WHO Treaty and the IHR Amendments. All the African states have been used for biological experiments on whole communities of children. I attach my presentation on the recent live GMO plasmodium parasite-Malaria 'vaccines' being administered to children.

Please don't overlook the biological and radiological war crimes as they are a big contender.

#### Artificial Intelligence

Artificial Intelligence is a military technology, that follows a retaliatory protocol. Following requests for due diligence, before the release of 200 million vectors carrying Wolbachia IP Technology coupled with Microsoft CNN AI ,in Indonesia, we achieved a postponement on the WHO-approved release. That same night an Indonesian maternity Hospital, in Gaza was bombed and destroyed. Then I discovered that the

https://www.jpost.com/business-and-innovation/tech-and-start-ups/article-760280 Al-Driven Conflict.

Through the upcoming WHO's Pandemic Treaty, Microsoft AI will seize control of and Sustainability treaties.

- 1. President Obama changed strike targets from actual terrorist targets to 'signature groups', allowing any man woman or child with sympathy for the occupied nation become a legitimate target.
- 2. Drones were brought to Djbouti in 2010 for stirkes in the Yemen.

  Obama's covert drone war in numbers: ten times more strikes than Bush 563 rather.

than 57 in whole Bush term.

First notice served on WHO for Pandemic Preparedness

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/questions-to-ask-before-you-sign-treaty.html

Second notice served on WHO for Retaliatory Protocol

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/whos-thin-veneer-of-health-strategy.html

UN, WHO, US Military, US Philantrhopic Funding Gates and Musk, Weapons of Mass Destruction.

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2024/01/the-un-both-want-and-dont-want-nuclear.html

Analysis of WHO and Military Relations

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/analysis-of-who-and-military-relations.html

Assault on the Kingdom of Hawai: Scorch of Maui attributed to Musk's Space X army.

The only way to decontaminate a gene edited microbes and gene drives in the wild is to scorch the land.

Attached: EPA Testimony from speaker for national security expert from Hawai Unites.

Bioweapons are Offensive and Defensive -

https://live.childrenshealthdefense.org/chd-tv/shows/good-morning-chd/mosquito-bio-warfare--who-desperation-grows/

This is me being interviewed by Children's Health Defense Africa

https://www.freedomalliancesa.org/wp-

content/uploads/2023/12/4\_5782709465862116422.pdf

Unexploited gas reserves in Palestine

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Energy\_in\_the\_State\_of\_Palestine#:~:text=Palestine%2 0produces%20no%20oil%20or,Corporation%20(IEC)%20for%20electricity.

# 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024

# Review of World Mosquito Program's Risk Assessment points 50-56 as requested

When I looked up a definition of social conflict it read: The struggle for agency. I loved that and realized it is everything we have done since we met. Equally, when it comes to Class Actions, these are also all we have done since we met. We have veritably taken one class action after another to consciously participate in changing the trajectory for Indonesia. Therefore, I decided to collate a book of evidence in both English and Bahasa Indonesia and lodge it with the existing file!! Then at least my testimony is there. I also wanted to serve a final notice on a few of the main contenders.

It is taking me weeks and weeks to get it together but I have done the first 120 pages! I am collating all the reports, research, articles, and notices and proofs of the 23 charges of Untrue Public Information filed at Bali Police Station. It demonstrates a very high risk, indeed incidence, of Social Conflict and Class Action!

I attach the Common Law notice beginning and will send the whole thing on when I have it like an ebook, collating the information.

I also wondered today, if you would help or encourage Dr Kun write up an Exit The WHO Bill like this one done for Africa? it might let him lead a new political, people-based approach in government.

https://www.shabnampalesamohamed.com/\_files/ugd/3c2789\_e799aa04a8d142098 a9e89904b15a2e4.pdf

I'm loving the press conferences I'm seeing of Jendral Pongrekun and all the amazing articles of what Siti Fadilah was able to achieve in 2008. I'm looking forward to hearing what happens in the Senate Hearing of the health minister.

https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/avian-influenza-bird-flu/supari-accuses-rich-nations-creating-viruses-profit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ApyrttZYKLw - recent.

Don't forget the environment and food security will be ruined by the 5G technology. It was never meant to be a service for which we purchase devices to use. It is only there as a beam technology to use on us, against us.

#### 5G repercussions for Pollinators

5G is fine says the World Health Organization

The main component of the 5G network is the millimeter waves. A study by the Centre for Environment and Vocational Studies of Punjab University, researchers observed that after exposure to radiation from a cell tower for just 5-30 minutes, the eggs of sparrows were disfigured.

The disfiguration of birds exposed for such a short amount of time to these frequencies is significant considering that the new 5G network will have a much higher density of base stations (small cells) - every 250 metres.and therefore mutations that could easily threaten a whole population's survival.

A study done in Spain showed breeding, nesting, and roosting were negatively affected by microwave radiation emitted by a cell tower.

Bees are an incredibly important part of the earth's ecosystem. Around one-third of the food produced today is dependent on bees for pollination. Warnke found that beehives exposed for just ten minutes to 900MHz waves fell victim to colony collapse disorder. Colony collapse disorder is when many of the bees living in the hive abandon the hive leaving the queen, the eggs, and a few worker bees. The worker bees exposed to this radiation also had worsened navigational skills, causing them to stop returning to their original hive after about ten days.

Can I ask that planning permission for the mast they sneaked up here be revoked? I just spotted the first time, I've been looking for it for 8 months. There will be others I'm sure now I know what I'm looking for. How are we supposed to protect biodiversity and grow food if this detrimental new technology is allowed? Anyway, anyone? Do we have a case to stop it? Has anyone tried?

(Comment: 5G is the microwave frequency and is commonplace in Shenzen etc plus facial recognition, drone surveillance and social credit and identity and yet no western government questions it, have all of them been compromised?)

I am not sure how they all got compromised. I think they were blinded by being given that huge technology budget to manage but I'm appalled that the greens didn't push for one independent study on 5G (or look at someone else's). What a hideous legacy.

So I did four things, all quite telling.

- 1) I appealed to TDs early with all the research I had and I got one reply. One sentence: WHO says it's safe. Bill Gates of Microsoft Technology, is the WHO's biggest funder.
- 2) The public tender to run the National Biodiversity Data Centre came up this time last year, for €450,00. I went for it with business partners, including a national training school, prepared to roll out citizen science training to engage every college, community and farm in monitoring biodiversity before and after the 5G infrastructure went in. We also committed to monitoring the protected areas which Ireland is being fined for (every day) since we failed to protect them since 1992 when they were designated. We also committed to assembling a forum of doctoral researchers to interrogate the data from their various disciplines, so that the centre could support community actions to protect nature against big industry. We also proposed to create an information management system so that green deal money could be drawn down from the EU on the basis of positive climate action results evidenced by the data centre. Suffice to say the 'infomatics' guy got it who has been keeping it tipping along the last four years, absolutely no use to anyone.
- 3) I went for the tender to train local councils in Climate Action and how to implement their Climate Action Charter. Didn't get that either.
- 4) Every time I raise a valid question about EMF or 5G or anything else, I am told to make myself a tinfoil hat to protect myself and I might well go that way! But to roll out blatantly damaging technology like that is criminal I think and I'm having a hard time forgiving them.
- 5) I saved the worst news until last. Valentia Island has 350 hubs on it. I couldn't find one of them. When I read about the different companies who rolled out the rural broadband there last year, I can't work out if they are saying it is fibre-less broadband or they are using fibre. If they are not, that is pure wifi of the 5G kind. I also can't work out if it is still beaming away, even when few people actually have devices/routers that can receive 5G. Kind of what strength it is and impact on biodiversity and birds and people even before it's used? Do anyone know?

# 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024

<u>Serving Notice (3) of Personal Liability to WMP, SCF, WHO, WEF and UN and all their agents.</u>

Attached above as the 3rd Notice served.

## 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024

# Assigning personal Liability for the Erection of 5G masts without planning permission, liability or safety studies

Dear Candida,

Please pass this notice to Stefan Gawrysiak, Alexandrine Kantor, Jo Robb, Leigh Rawlins, Ed Sadler, Katherine Foxhall, Andy Cooke, Ron Batstone, Judy Roberts, and Andrew Skinner.

As a member of the two groups mentioned below, it has come to my attention that the County Councillors are personally liable for the decisions made locally, whereas MPs and courts are somehow indemnified. The significance of this was amplified when I sent the notice below and have only had an email to clarify my postcode, rather than a proper response.

The thing is we do not consent to the erecting of new wifi masts, the large or the small variety, both of which emit a military-grade radiation. For the last few weeks myself and several friends have experienced an extraordinarily pronounced degradation in vision, burning headaches and a wide range of degenerative health conditions. I gather they are intended to interact with the internet of things, smart infrastructure and even biological nano technology. Did these masts come before your panel for scrutiny? Were you able to access the extensive research showing the new networks to be extremely dangerous to health? Have you heard of all the court cases exhaustively demonstrating that the implementers of the Health and Climate measures and funds are only creating a captured market for themselves and deliberately overlooking the Nuremburg Code and even accused of genocide for the genetically engineered injections forced on so many in this area, and around the world? How can the company that has signed off on the safety studies and agreed liable have been dissolved 8 years ago?

Can you review what the Scrutiny Committee discussed in regard to the incoming technologies, fluoride, restrictions, the new level of government to introduce other unregulated, unlawful programs, with no public consultation and yet full use of the public money? We would really appreciate it and hope that you are still working on our behalf.

Best wishes,

#### 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024

# Asking elected MPs to consider the Sex Matters Bill

The Biotech and warping public narrative is intended to sterilise the children. I am involved in two active groups, Abingdon Peace Group and a human rights group, with expertise in Common Law. Please support the Bill forbidding the social transitioning in school of children from boys to girls and girls to boys. The Bill thankfully further demands that no child is given puberty blockers or hormonal treatment (irreversible or otherwise-promoted) or surgery to change their sex. You can support the Bill by joining the debate tomorrow. I have also sent this to the Mayor of Abingdon, a member of Mayors for Peace. This is because the sterilzing of children, by a foreign entity, however it is achieved, is a crime. (https://infertilitymovie.org/ This is how they're doing it in Africa.

# Social and Genetic Engineering

Allowing the social and genetic engineering of children is part of a wider war against men and women. Many children experience mortification and shame about their bodies and question the value of who they are, as they are, when they go through puberty and beyond. That is an emotional and mental response to failures of our education and society. We would go as far as to say that they were not even failures, but a premeditated and protracted attack on humanity, deployed by foreign and novel technologies. Please explain at the debate that it is a crime to exploit this vulnerable age group by validating the self-rejection of the healthy body they are born with. As Elon Musk said "Teach people to hate themselves and their history and they will be susceptible to any mind viruses.

## 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Preparing the Case to end the Central Banking System and WEF - Richard C Cook The world economy, particularly in the US, Europe, and other parts of the West, has reached the point of catastrophe. This is due to the longstanding existence of a financial system based on exploitation, debt, and usury. Western banks are in terrible shape because the underlying producing economy can no longer afford to sustain the debt overhang. One consequence is that a big part of banking assets consists of money laundering from drug and weapons trafficking.

## 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024

<u>Professor Andrew Stirling, Military Agenda achieved through proposing nuclear civil power is clean and safe.</u>

I wrote up the original research for the peace group.

## 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024

# Speech for Dr Widya World Council For Health Voting to Reject The WHO

Thank you for this opportunity to add the weight and gravitas of Indonesia's doctors to this vote to stop the World Health Organization. Without further ado, I am Dr. Widya Murni, representing Indonesia & Country Council Indonesia. The WHO's declaration and handling of the Covid 19 plandemic had a detrimental impact to our physical, emotional, mental wellbeing, economy, and democratic constitution that we are yet to recover from.

Indisputably, the mandated lockdowns, masks and experimental vaccines constitute significant unlawful abuses of power by the authorities. The Amendments to the International Health Regulations and the proposed Treaty show that the WHO has no intention of returning our sovereignty or constitution, the Undang - Undang Dasar (UUD) 1945.

During the pandemic, the threats and discrimination against Indonesian people were particularly harsh, with no financial or food provision made, despite the receipt of a pandemic fund. Even for many health practitioners like myself who are passionate in providing healthcare to our patients. All this by the restrictive order and direction from WHO.

They have continued with experimental vector and vaccine programs but the lack of public consultation has woken up Indonesia to the fact that WHO are clearly contravening the Nuremburg Code and some are already arguing Genocide in the

International Criminal Courts, with thousands of cases and pages of evidence being submitted.

Indonesia is committed to there not being another false declaration of world pandemic and all the harm that would follow. To make sure this is not allowed to happen again in the future, the World Health Organization and representatives in member states must be held to account by law.

Most importantly WHO does not possess the same values, ethics and mission of a health authority but just acts as a business outlet to rule. We, therefore, will stress the importance of liberating ourselves from foreign rulings whose interests are to benefit themselves, not the people and global community. We should not consent to any tyrannical health or surveillance compulsions or colonization of our human rights ever again.

# 10<sup>th</sup> April 2024

# Appeal File For the Federal Supreme Court in Switzerland, delivered by hand.

Further files lodged included 140 pages of evidence of contested authority or lawfulness by the WHO, WEF and UN.

Klaus Schwab, Jeremy Farrar et al vs Frances

Supreme Federal Court Lausanne Switzerland 11th April 2024

Procedure

A. Injunction against WHA Voting: WHO Treaty / IHR 2005 Amendments B.

Prosecution for Terrorism and

Violations of International Treaties

This case originated in hundreds of applications made against the World Health Organization and the defendants, filed (or binned, we'll never know) over the last four years. I file this application to Appeal in the Federal Supreme Court, as I am contesting

multiple cases that meet the following conditions:

The court's decision pertains to a Legislature: "A deliberative assembly with the legal authority to make laws for a political entity such as a country, nation or city".

#### The Circumstances of the Case

In this case, de facto shadow directors of the WHO, United Nations, World Economic Forum, GAVI et al are already assuming legal authority to legislate for 194 United Nations Member States, despite over 160 of the member states having formally contested their authority and submitted evidence of crimes by these organizations, of genocide, terrorism, torture, experimentation without consent, proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, conflicts of interest, artificial intelligence and other wireless technology with a military, retaliatory protocol, fraudulent misrepresentation as health and climate crises, protracted enslavement of people and animals, and posing an existential threat with genetic engineering and the patenting of information which it is critical should be in the public domain. These are all charges for which the men and women at the conference of the parties are yet to answer, and which are all in violation of existing International Treaties.

At the end of May 2024 the World Health Assembly intend to meet and pretend that there is consensus to adopt Amendments to the International Health Amendments, the WHO's Pandemic Preparedness, Prevention and Response Treaty, the continued fraudulent extraction of wealth from nations, and men and women, in

payment of alleged debt.

The appeal meets the condition that it is "a point of general public importance and it relates wholly or mainly to the construction of an enactment or of a statutory instrument".

I am making this appeal on behalf of all men and women of all nations and regarding all the notices, formal statements, letters, and legal proceedings as cases that have been neither acknowledged nor replied to, which shows that there is no consensus. Unelected officials of the international organizations based in Geneva are seen as criminals, who believe they have diplomatic immunity. By filing this Statement of Claim, I request that personal liability is assigned by the law of your court, and all assets, Pandemic Funds, and other monies and property are seized and returned to the people by way of public banks. As this decision should mark the end of usury, all property and territories should pass to the full ownership and other bonds made on each life returned to the people. This men and women who should be stewards of this process are ready.

Application to the Federal Supreme Court of Switzerland. I understand that "a 'leapfrog' appeal can be permitted if the judge in the High Court certifies (immediately after judgment or on an application within 14 days) that the "relevant conditions" are satisfied, that a sufficient case has been made out to justify an application for permission to appeal to The Supreme Court" Application for a 'leapfrog' appeal should be permitted in this instance, I believe, as the application is within 14 days of my last personal liability notice to the defendants and there is the urgency of the upcoming World Health Assembly. I hope that submitting evidence from so many member states desperate to stop the defendants before unrecoverable damage is done, that a sufficient case has been made to justify an application for permission to appeal to the Supreme Court.

- 1. This honourable court's jurisdiction is chosen in accordance with international law and is sought due to serious charges such as crimes against humanity, inter alia.
- 2. As we are under pressure time-wise, given the impending World Health Assembly in May 2024, I am seeking a summary judgment in an expedited manner without trial.
- 3. Original criminal charges and civil claims were filed in Indonesia, attached. The fee schedule and remedy to this case involve the immediate arrest of the other parties.
- 4. The addresses of the defendants cannot be established and the court's assistance will be required herein as we are seeking an urgent interim interdict/injunction.
- 5. The defendants' participation in international organizations does not provide immunity where ongoing crimes and commercial activity are involved. I understand that Swiss civil procedure law is strongly oriented towards written procedure, and this is particularly true in appeal proceedings. I also understand that an Appeal would usually only look at how the law was applied in earlier cases, and not the claims of the case. The exception in this case is Manifest arbitrariness, where 1) Decisions were made capriciously, irrationally and/or without determining principle. I refer to the decisions made by the defendants to not even acknowledge official correspondence from member states. This can be the only reason why earlier

proceedings in civil, administrative and criminal contexts have been ignored. 2. The legislature fails to make a classification by recognizing the degrees of harm - or accepting liability for any harm 3. The purpose is not in consonance with constitutional values - national and personal sovereignty and freedoms are values that

Because the decision-making process and the "decisions were based on irrelevant facts, while ignoring relevant considerations, such actions reflect "arbitrariness". This is why I ask Switzerland to retain international jurisdiction to examine the merits of the case.

## Appellant

are under direct threat.

I acknowledge your admissibility clause that an "Appellant must have participated in the proceedings before the previous instance, or not have been given the opportunity to participate and show to be particularly affected by the appealed decision and have an interest worthy of protection in its annulment or amendment."

Participation: Notices to the defendants of 1) Conditional Acceptance Pending Due Diligence, 2) Cease and Desist Military Retaliatory Protocols, 3) Personal Liability and Intention to Prosecute are attached. Plus 25 counts of criminal charges, and civil claims made by other member states, and those we filed in Indonesia are attached.

Opportunity to participate: "or not have been given the opportunity to participate" relates to all the attached cases. This is of legal relevance because the United Nations and the World Health Organization have provided no opportunity to participate. The has been no due process, and no recourse to address reservations, whether they are immediate or planned. It has been impossible to bring criminal charges or even record a personal adverse event following a vaccine. Whether it is to a court, or police station, public representative or to inquire about liability, or create an avenue or forum for informed consent or rebuttal. This is due to censorship and often a flatdenial of any question raised.

All the attached cases required a significant amount of courage and clarity to complete. Many have had to leave their jobs to avoid complicity. Even intergovernmental negotiations and challenges have been dismissed by the WHO as misinformation.

That is the main reason I am making this appeal. To make the work, losses, conflict and struggle for agency, which humanity has experienced, actually count and go on record as making history, in the Law library of the Supreme Federal Court.

The resistance that concerned experts have met, justifies the claim that the WHO, WMP, BRIN, DARPA et al, do not want to monitor or regulate the safety and efficacy of its recommendations, or share its research findings in the public. The coercion has been

widespread.

I am an international ambassador of peace and de jure woman: frances. I am the authorised representative of the corporate entity Frances Micklem. As part of the Indonesian leadership group Gladiator Bangsa, I participated in the criminal proceedings against Save The Children Fund and World Mosquito Program, and the

civil proceedings against the Health Minister of Indonesia. I confirm that the appellants, in all the cases attached, were not given the opportunity for a hearing, and many lost their lives and livelihoods in the process.

I also confirm that I am "particularly affected by the appealed decision as everyone is relying on me to get this appeal before your honourable court, provide you with the precedents you need, and witnesses, to stop the defendants' self-promotion to a one world government and becoming international law-makers. Their sphere of influence and resources must be reduced to nil. The defendants must not have the power to engineer the pathogens, call a pandemic, implement lockdowns or other measure, or mandate their own patented vaccines, or the deployment of engineered vectors or vaccines, they have a financial interest in. They must be arrested and the organizations dismantled.

All life on the planet; people, places and animals will be affected and we all have an interest worthy of

protection, in your annulment or amendment.

Defendants

The man, António Guterres sometimes acting as

Secretary General to the United Nations

The man, Klaus Schwab sometimes acting as

Chairman of the World Economic Forum

The man, Tedros Ghebreyesus sometimes acting as

Secretary General of the World Health Organization

The man, Jeremy Farrar sometimes acting as Head

Scientist at the World Health Association

The man, Scott O'Neill sometimes acting as Wolbachia IP Technology patent holder and CEO of

World Mosquito Program

The man, Adam Berthoud sometimes acting as Executive Director of Global

Programmes, Save The

Children Fund UK

The man, Blake Bedtime sometimes acting as

DARPA'S Insect Allies Director

The woman Lesley, and her husband, Gillespie sometimes acting as a Baker and sometimes Funder

of Biological Weapons Program in Indonesia

To all men and women acting as agents, involved in funding and implementing pandemic preparedness, on the pretext of Public Health, while facilitiating a protracted biological attack.

To men and women in the Yayasan Tahija Foundation

To men and women in the Bill and Melinda Gates

Foundation

To men and women acting without an oath of office, in

Governments, Police and the Military

To all men and women contributing to the World

Economic Forum, the

WHO Pandemic Treaty, The IHR Amendments, The Logistics Supply Chain, including AUKUS and

Microsoft's and Elon Musk's Artificial Intelligence.

The man Budi Gunadi Sadikin acting as Minister for Health for Indonesia

The man, Prabowo Subianto Djojohadikusumo acting as Defence Minister for Indonesia

The man, Wieded Trisnadl Chairman of Save The Children Fund

The woman, Bekti Andari Vice Chairman of Save The Children Fund

All men and women who are complicit in the excess deaths and systemic fraud.

There is also compensation due, and penalties for the proliferation of biological weapons, be they Wolbachia-infected Mosquitoes or genetically- engineered therapeutics, coupled with Artificial Intelligence, remotely operated and fully funded by

foreign agents.

There had been no operational or financial due diligence done. Permissions and exemptions from regulation are usually granted, following fraudulent claims of benefits and bribery.

The defendants are all de facto shadow directors. For a definition of a shadow director: "On a regular basis and over a period time, the majority of the directors of these organizations must perform positive acts in accordance with the alleged shadow director's instructions. If that test is met, the person is likely to be found to be a shadow director". This will inevitably include Anthony Fauci as the man who assigns funding for medical research and other research within and beyond third level education. In time:

This Appeal has been made in time

1) as the defendants have been given every opportunity to respond 2) There is no ambiguity in the 25 earlier instances, attached: The covid vaccines, masks, lockdowns, PCR tests, IHR Amendments and Political Declaration were all formally rejected in time in a myriad of formats. However, not one reservation, rejection, withdrawal or other written notice has been acknowledged by the defendants. The date for voting on the IHR Amendments and Treaty runs between the 1st April and the 26th May 2024.

This appeal is urgent but it is in time to stop the contravening of the WHO's own Constitution, the WEF's own Manifesto and the UN's own Charter, by a small conference of the parties pushing these treaties through. Finally, I wrote to the court in time - before

the Treaty on the 5th

April - alerting the court to the dire threat, to the jurisdiction for men and women, that the proposed treaty posed. Therefore, if that Treaty was passed, however illegitimately, I still entered this application for

an appeal before my jurisdiction came into question.

I reiterate here that Articificial Intelligence must be stopped as, due to that treaty. Whether it passed or not, AI will already have been programmed to recognise the claim to being a biological man or woman as a possible crime against humanity. Such is the extent of the madness that we have been enduring. In addition the AI will be connecting the Decision of the Supreme Court in America that the vaccinated are no longer human but 'trans human'.

Cost

I would like to enquire as to the cost of this appeal, as it is a public interest case brought by one individual,

spanning criminal, administrative, civil and patent law.

I note that "the decisions of the last cantonal instance and the Federal Patent Court can be appealed before the Federal Supreme Court (article 72 of the FCA). The appeal in civil matters before the Federal Supreme Court is subject to certain conditions. Generally, a minimum value of the claim is required (15,000 Swiss francs in employment and tenancy law cases; 30,000 Swiss francs in any other cases). I hope that "this minimum value of the claim is not required. Although the value of the claim is indeed infinite, if we can reinstate our standing as beneficiaries in our own lives, create peace and safety, in every nation and reclaim our freedom and dignity, and that of our fellow animals.

Furthermore, another condition is met:

Can the costs of this Appeal be waived as it is in the

- The Federal Supreme Court may accept that a fundamental point of law is at stake.
- The settlement will be a return of the monies extracted through fraudulent debt collection, both

national and individual.

The connection of these two legislative developments could remove the jurisdiction of all people and place it below governments and corporations - One of the cases I attach is the resignation letter of the UN Human Rights Commissioner, on this matter, where

no one is afforded human rights.

## public interest?

I am appealing before the Federal Supreme Court, against the decision by the UN to empower themselves, through the WHO as legislators of International Law. This must take place before the

World Health Assembly at the end of May 2024.

We enclose earlier cases that would bring peace for

definite, if the

instances were counted and collectively

succeed in prosecuting the defendants. This is a chance to return the course of history to the conscious

evolution we should all be enjoying at the moment.

We're appealing against the decision by the defendants to empower themselves, as legislators of International Law and claiming they are acting with intent to harm.

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- Changing their own process.
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- 8) Fahrie Hassan Conflict of Interests World and Africa-Specific
- 9. Hawaii Unites 20 years of GMO insects, no monitoring and no environmental impact report
- 10. Singapore accidental 3 female GM Mosquitoes replace a whole population (Gene Drive)
- 11. 2008 Indonesia Refuses Material Transfer of

Viruses (now called pathogen-sharing)

12 Bill Bates versus the US - Manufactures consent in developing

countries by funding universities.

the Grenadines, Syria, Venezuela, and Zimbabwe.

https://www.tasnimnews.com/en/news/ 2022/11/05/2799414/ group-of-friends-in-defense-of-

charter-of-united-nations-releases- statement

13. Elon Musk, 180-day experimental permit to radiate people and deliver genetic modifications using

electrical-pulses, plus data collection without consent.

- 14. George Soros vs France. Insider trading and alleged responsibility for forced migration.
- 15. Central bank challenge for printing bank notes using pigs blood, and losing the 'Right to Rescue'

animals in court.

- 16. AUKUS nuclear partnership and UN's
- 17. WEF's Pascal Najadi case: Filed charges against the President, to remove diplomatic immunity for WEF

& WHO, for Covid Crimes.

18. Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. Craig Mokhibe Resignation Letter - the UN is party to Genocide 19.

Estonia's Parliament reject the WHO

20. Ireland's Crotty vs the government - Won the case that there should be no International Agreements

without a Referendum

21 Stopping Al because of its always-active military

protocols: Deployment & Retaliation

22. Vaccine Deaths and Warnings: Pfizer Found

Guilty in UK Cases

23. South African Contracts - Pfizer payment Guarantee Required, including natural resources,

reserve banks and military bases.

24. Concealment of Data Case: Thailand

Establishing direct lines of liability for the defendants

25. Private .. Banking is illegal and CBDCs are a tool of surveillance, control and continued fraudulent debt enslavement. Professor Richard Werner International Public Banking Alliance

We are relying on the honourable Court to hold the Geneva-based defendants accountable for deploying bioweapons and using patent laws to protect dual use research and thereby preventing independent testing or risk assessment of engineered products. I hope that this case will then become the precedent so that parallel agencies and corporations around the world, still perpetuating crimes against humanity, can be

successfully challenged.

In an attempt to sidestep the serious reservations, the WHO responded by entering an additional Article into

the proposed Treaty that reads: 'No

observations will be permitted'. A cursory look at any other International Treaties show that observations make up the most important instrument of sovereign states granting exemptions from adhering to parts of an agreement that are not in alignment with their constitution. The defendants are not in alignment with human values and we do not consent.

We have precedents and law ready. There are many groups of lawyers and doctors who would be grateful to support this appeal and find out their efforts have not gone to waste. However, I believe their time would

and their corporate entities are our only chances at creating peace and mutual respect, with land healthy enough for subsistence with organic measures and not one bi lab, or child down a mine to supply components for batteries. And not one solar panel on land that could be productive, and when roof space is available.

be much better spent if they were given new responsibilities and opportunities to guide people in

taking responsibility for their own health.

I made a commitment to myself twenty five years ago that I would end animal suffering and wake people up from the cognitive dissonance around loving animals on the one hand and still allowing them to live absolutely unendurable lives, on the other. Later, I made a commitment to my father - who was a High Court judge and who wrote some of the Unfair Dismissal law and many books, reflecting on what makes a life worth living that I would stop the production of agricultural chemicals and patenting of seeds. It never occurred to me that it would be our lives and our freedom that are gone. Surveillance; microchip implants; the theft, pooling and corruption of our blood and water. The deployment of diseased organisms into us, using mosquitoes and forced medical procedures. And the wild megalomania of genetic engineering, spending public money on the research and then patenting the results. And building nuclear submarines and modular reactors and telling us they're

green, and economical and a deterrent. And the realisation that we're each running up fraudulent, but still insurmountable, debts while funding the whole lot. I mean really, the audacity of the defendants and the passive aggression of their ignorance and their deadly agenda. They have given themselves away though now and I am so grateful to have an 11th-hour opportunity to lodge this appeal. My grandfather was recognised for his contribution to the arts as a

Companion of Honour; a medal that reads "In action faithful and In honour clear". Please honour the people in your decision, and suspend the IHR Amendments and Treaty

immediately and permanently. Thank you.

Frances of the Micklem family

Witness 1: Emer:Marie of the Kelly family

Witness 2 Darren: Anthony of the Fahy Family

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# 10<sup>th</sup> April 2024

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1) 17th September Formal Letter confirming there was no consensus and 70 and then 136 countries were being ignored. Then this letter was ignored too. Belarus, Bolivia, Cuba, North Korea, Eritrea, Iran, Nicaragua, Russia, Syria, Venezuela, and Zimbabwe Political Declaration, rejecting the "unilateral coercive measures (UCMs)". They claimed that their objections had been ignored or set aside at various stages in the development of the declarations, contrary to UN procedural rules. https://healthpolicy-watch.news/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/NV-00492-1.pdf

No. 00492 H.E. Mr. Dennis Francis President, General Assembly United Nations New York.-Distinguished President of the General Assembly, New York, 17 September 2023

We have the honor to address you, in our capacity as representatives from the delegations of Belarus, Bolivia, Cuba, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Eritrea, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Nicaragua, the Russian Federation, the Syrian Arab Republic, Venezuela, and Zimbabwe, in relation to the unfortunate situation created around the draft political declarations of the SDG Summit, the High-level meeting on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, the High-level meeting on universal health coverage, and the High-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis.

In this regard, it is regrettable that it has not been possible to find a political solution to the current stalemate, created, not only due to the lack of will of some developed countries to engage in true and meaningful negotiations to have balanced and acceptable outcomes for all, but also due to the lack of transparency and poor handling of your predecessor's team of all these processes.

As you are aware, the issue of the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures (UCMs) is an existential one for our peoples. A third of the world's population is affected by these illegal measures. There is ample evidence, including from UN sources, of the heavy toll caused by UCMs on targeted countries' capacities to achieve sustainable development and to make further progress in protecting the right to health of their respective populations. Regardless of these facts, we have engaged in the negotiations of these draft outcomes in good faith, with a spirit of compromise and a constructive approach, in order to reach consensus.

Since the beginning of these processes, we have insisted on the need to include our concerns in these important political documents, on the basis of consensual language, as reflected in paragraph 30 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This request has been echoed by a large number of delegations, including from the Group of the 77 and China, and from the Group of Friends in Defense of the UN Charter, among others.

# Excellency,

The legitimate concerns of a large number of developing countries have been ignored. Hence, it is our duty to express our strong concerns on the unacceptable

way in which this situation unfolded, running in clear contradiction with the spirit of multilateralism and the overall goal of "leaving no one behind".

First, there has been no real willingness from a small group of developed countries to engage in meaningful negotiations to find compromises, forcing unfair practices which pretend to impose a kind of "veto" on certain issues, and pretending to even prevent their discussion within the framework of intergovernmental negotiations. Second, in some cases, negotiations were not conducted in a truly inclusive, fair and balanced way. Our delegations had to witness how, in some cases, even single delegations were accommodated a great deal in their concerns, while others' priorities, including ours, were bluntly neglected. For example, the draft outcome of the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development under the auspices of the General Assembly – SDGs Summit, was reopened with the purpose of exclusively accommodating the priorities of a few delegations from developed countries, while, in this very same process, and in the three (03) health-related negotiations, nothing was done to reflect and accommodate the legitimate concerns of delegations from developing countries that, in addition had broken silence repeatedly, including the Group of 77 and China.

Third, the attempt to ignore formal communications of delegations from developing countries, including from the Group of 77 and China, on behalf of its 134 Member States, indicating strong reservations and objections.

Fourth, the attempt to force consensus by your predecessor's team, and now by your Office, when it is evident that no consensus has been reached on any of these processes; as well as the lack of transparency, inclusiveness and efficient use of the limited time available then to find compromises.

Excellency,

Our delegations are convinced that this is no way to handle multilateral and intergovernmental negotiations on issues of great relevance for the international community, particularly for developing countries. Thus, we would like to put on record that we do not condone, nor accept, this practice, and that it does not set any precedent for the work of the United Nations and its General Assembly. This is particularly relevant, as we look forward to future negotiation processes on fundamental matters, in which we will continue engaging with great determination, flexibility and constructiveness.

Our delegations would also like to recall the nature and legal standing of the meetings in which the SDGs Summit, the High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention.

Preparedness and Response, the High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage, and the High-Level Meeting on the Fight against Tuberculosis, will take place.

In relation to the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) on Sustainable Development under the auspices of the General Assembly, SDGs Summit, and in accordance with General Assembly resolution 67/290, in its operative paragraph 9, "all meetings convened under the auspices of the General Assembly shall operate under the rules of procedure of the main committees of the Assembly, as applicable, unless otherwise provided in the present resolution". Also, operative paragraph 4 of that very same resolution clearly states that the Forum "shall result in a concise negotiated political declaration to be submitted for the consideration of the

# Assembly".

Hence, we expect a process to take place at a later stage, where the General Assembly will formally consider the adoption of the draft Political Declaration, under Chapter XII of the Rules of Procedures of the General Assembly. Similarly, General Assembly resolutions 75/315, 77/274 and 77/275, are clear in indicating that the political declarations of the three health-related High-Level Meetings should "be submitted by the President of the General Assembly for adoption by the Assembly".

In that sense, our delegations oppose any attempt to pretend to formally adopt any of the draft outcome documents in question, during the meetings scheduled for 18, 20, 21 and 22 September 2023, respectively. In addition, we reserve the right to take appropriate action upon the formal consideration of these four (04) draft outcome documents in the coming weeks, after the conclusion of the High-Level Segment of the 78th Session of the General Assembly, when they must all be considered by the General Assembly in accordance with its rules of procedures.

In that spirit and in the interest of transparency, we respectfully request hereby your good offices for circulating as soon as possible this letter as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 19 and 127, entitled "Sustainable development" and "Global health and foreign policy", respectively. We take this opportunity, Excellency, to reiterate to you the testimony of our highest and most distinguished consideration. C.C.:

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2) Group of Friends In Defence of the UN Charter: Group of Friends in Defense of the UN Charter: Algeria, Angola, Belarus, Bolivia, Cambodia, China, Cuba, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Iran, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Nicaragua, the State of Palestine, the Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Syria, Venezuela, and Zimbabwe.

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We reiterate our serious concern at continued attempts aimed at replacing the tenets enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations – which have been agreed upon by the entire international community for conducting their international relations – with a

so-called "rules-based order", that remains unclear, that has not been discussed or accepted by the wide UN membership, and that has the potential, among others, to undermine the rule of law at the international level.

We concur that double-standards, coupled with selective approaches or accommodative interpretations of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations, aimed at advancing political agendas of dubious nature, in clear contempt for international legality and in disregard for the common good or collective interests of the peoples of the United Nations, represent one of the major threats to the prevalence and validity of that universal and legally binding instrument that constitutes an exceptional achievement for humankind and a true act of faith on the best of humanity."

"statement during the first meeting of national coordinators of the group that was held in Tehran on Saturday.

The text of the document is as follows:

We, representatives of Algeria, Angola, Belarus, Bolivia, Cambodia, China, Cuba, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Iran, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Nicaragua, the State of Palestine, the Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Syria, Venezuela, and Zimbabwe, in our respective capacities as National Coordinators of the Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations, met at the vice-ministerial level, in Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran, in order to discuss ways and means to advance our common endeavors aimed at preserving, promoting and defending the prevalence and validity of the Charter of the United Nations, both in its letter and spirit, and to further improve our coordination on issues of common concern and interest and on potential ways to move forward.

We recall the political declaration adopted on 22 September 2022, in New York, at the ministerial level, on the margins of the 77th Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and reaffirm once again our firm and full commitment to the Charter of the United Nations, including the purposes and principles contained therein, which represent the cornerstone for both preserving and promoting international peace and security, the rule of law, economic development and social progress, as well as human rights for all.

We reiterate our serious concern at continued attempts aimed at replacing the tenets enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations – which have been agreed upon by the entire international community for conducting their international relations – with a so-called "rules-based order", that remains unclear, that has not been discussed or accepted by the wide UN membership, and that has the potential, among others, to undermine the rule of law at the international level.

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# best of humanity.

We call for the redoubling of efforts towards the democratization of international relations and the strengthening of multilateralism and of a multipolar system, based, among others, on mutual respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of all States, as well as on respect for the principle of equal rights and self- determination of peoples, for the rule of law, diplomacy, political dialogue, tolerance, peaceful coexistence, respect for diversity, inclusiveness, a culture of peace and non-violence, and due consideration for existing differences, all of which are essential for constructively and effectively working together on issues of common interest and concern.

We reaffirm that the United Nations remains a central and indispensable forum for addressing and advancing issues relating to international cooperation for economic development and social progress, peace and security, peaceful settlement of disputes, human rights and the rule of law, on the basis of dialogue, cooperation and consensus-building approaches amongst States, and therefore remain fully committed to both its revitalization and the strengthening of its role, particularly at the current international juncture, in which the world needs much more solidarity and cooperation, as well as the diplomatic tools provided within its very own founding Charter.

We recognize the multifaceted crisis the world is currently facing, particularly its environmental, food, energy, economic and finance dimensions, and emphasize that the solution to it passes through the urgent adoption of collective strategies and decisive measures that must necessarily be rooted on the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations. In this regard, we call on the members of the international community to revive the spirt of unity, solidarity, cooperation, inclusivity, and mutual understanding that prevailed at the San Francisco Conference of 1945, which is needed today the most, in order to overcome threats and challenges that are common to us all alike, especially in the fields of peace, security and development.

We express our concern at the potential impact of ongoing geopolitical tensions on the current global multifaceted crisis, and, therefore, call for the respect to the sovereignty and independence of States, while rejecting any attempt at entrenching a Cold War-era mentality that is based on confrontation, the deepening of divisions and the imposition of disparate visions and agendas, in an attempt to divide our world into blocs. We highlight, in this context, the importance of respecting the decisions of States to abstain from participating in and to remain impartial to conflicts of any sort, in procurement of the best interests of their peoples, confident that such an approach shall, in turn, continue to play an important role in the development of peaceful, friendly and mutually beneficial relations between the countries of the world, as well as in the strengthening of a multilateral system in which diversity is both embraced and respected, while stressing the importance of ensuring that developing countries do not become a new field for geostrategic competition amongst major players.

We call on the Secretariat of the United Nations to strictly adhere to the founding Charter of the Organization, in particular the provisions of Article 100, in the performance of its duties, in accordance with their respective mandate, including when implementing General Assembly and Security Council resolutions.

We acknowledge that humanity lives in an indivisible security community in which one nation's security is indivisible from the common security of a given region and that of the international community as a whole, and that therefore no State can seek its own security at the cost of the security of another State or group of States. We consider, thus, that efforts shall be made towards the promotion of diplomatic endeavors aimed at establishing a fair, equal, sustainable, inclusive and indivisible global security architecture, taking into account the legitimate security concerns of all countries, with a view to preventing the emergence of conflict or crisis situations that may put at risk global peace, security, stability and humankind.

We express our categorical rejection of all unilateral coercive measures, including those applied as tools for political or economic and financial pressure against any country, in particular against developing countries. We further express our serious concern at the continued imposition and expansion of such measures, which, among others, hinder the wellbeing of targeted populations, create obstacles to the full realization of their human rights, including their right to development, jeopardize international cooperation on aviation safety, and exacerbate global food insecurity, particularly at the current juncture, in which we face a multifaceted global crisis, with multiple dimensions, including as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. We reiterate our unwavering support and solidarity with nations and peoples subjected to unilateral and arbitrary approaches that violate both the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and the basic norms of international law, especially those that are part of our Group of Friends, and further renew our call for both their complete, immediate and unconditional lifting.

We, in accordance with international law, support any claim of States affected by unilateral coercive measures, including the targeted States, to compensation for the damage incurred as a consequence of the implementation and extraterritorial implications of such measures.

We express our unwavering support for and solidarity with the People and Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran, subjected to unilateral coercive measures, including unilateral sanctions imposed by certain countries, which violate the Charter of the United Nations and the rules and principles of international law, while seriously threatening the full enjoyment of their human rights and the realization of their right to development. We further call for the "lifting of all such unilateral measures against the Islamic Republic of Iran, Iranian nationals and companies", as recommended by the UN Special Rapporteur on the Negative Impact of Unilateral Coercive Measures on the Enjoyment of Human Rights in her report to the Human Rights Council on 17 August 2022 (A/HRC/51/33/Add.1), pursuant to her official country visit to the Islamic Republic of Iran from 07 through 18 May 2022.

We, in line with our historic and principled positions, express our unwavering solidarity with the people and government of the Republic of Cuba, which has heroically endured the negative impact of the economic, commercial and financial blockade imposed on it by the United States for over sixty years, representing the single major impediment for its full economic and social development, and urge the government of the United States to immediately and unconditionally put an end to the blockade against Cuba. In this context, we welcome the resolution just adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 03 November 2022, demanding, for the 30th consecutive occasion, the necessity of ending the blockade imposed by the United States against Cuba.

We renew the concerns previously raised in connection with the lack of compliance with the "Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations", both in its letter and spirit, particularly with regards to the delays and/or denials of issuance and/or renewal of visas, travel and movement restrictions, banking issues and breaches of inviolability of diplomatic properties, and stress that the privilege of hosting the Headquarters of the United Nations shall not be abused and that bilateral differences shall not be exploited within the context of the implementation of relevant international legally binding obligations.

We express our serious concern at the continued proliferation of disinformation in digital platforms, including on social media, which are created, disseminated and amplified by both State and non-State actors for political, ideological or commercial motivations at an alarmingly growing scale. We stress that such trends not only undermine national sovereignty, in violation of Charter of the United Nations, but also provoke manifestations of hate speech, racism, xenophobia, stigmatization, while inciting all forms of violence, intolerance, discrimination and hostility. We emphasize, in this regard, the responsibility of all States in countering this trend, including the misuse of information and communication technology resources. We, in line with our principled and historic positions, reaffirm our firm commitment to the just cause of Palestine, as well as our unwavering solidarity with the heroic Palestinian people in their ongoing struggle to achieve their inalienable rights, freedom and justice. We further reaffirm our full and continued support to all efforts aimed at ending the grave injustice inflicted on the Palestinian people since the 1948 Nakba. We also remain committed to strengthening our efforts, including active engagement in international initiatives, aimed at ending the Israeli occupation, which constitutes an illegal colonial occupation and apartheid regime, and at achieving the independence of the State of Palestine, with East Jerusalem as its capital; the realization of the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people, including to selfdetermination and freedom; and a just and lasting solution to the Question of Palestine in all its aspects, including for the plight of the Palestine refugees, in accordance with international law, the relevant UN resolutions and the Charter of the United Nations. We further reaffirm our support for the long-overdue admission of the State of Palestine as a full Member State of the United Nations, which has been pending before the Security Council since 23 September 2011, and to enable it to take its rightful place among the community of nations.

We recognize that, since its establishment over a year ago, the Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations has made significant progress in advancing its objectives and in implementing its annual Programme of Work and, in this context, express our appreciation to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela for its leadership and coordination efforts. In this regard, we reiterate our determination to redouble efforts aimed at positioning our Group of Friends as an active and key player at all relevant international forums and intergovernmental processes, including in the context of the General Assembly of the United Nations during its 77th Session, as part of our continued endeavors for ensuring full respect of and adherence to the Charter of the United Nations, in both its letter and spirit.

We reiterate our invitation to those members of the international community that are committed to the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United

Nations, with the values of dialogue, tolerance and solidarity, as well as to an effective and inclusive multilateralism, in which all regions and all size of States are equal and engaged alike, to consider joining our Group of Friends and/or endorsing this and previous Political Declarations at their earliest convenience, as part of our collective efforts to advance our shared objectives and to ultimately keep delivering on the promise of the Charter of the United Nations for a more peaceful and prosperous world in which no one is left behind.

We also reaffirm our strong rejection and condemnation of the imposition of illegal sanctions, unilateral coercive measures against the People and Government of Nicaragua, and aggressions that have a negative impact on the development and prosperity of the country. In this sense, we demand the immediate end of such sanctions.

We express our serious concern at the current and growing threats against the Charter of the United Nations, including the implementation of practices that contribute in no way to addressing, through peaceful means and cooperation, the complex, emerging and common challenges faced these days by humanity. Instead, they contribute to an increase in uncertainty, instability and tensions around the world.

We express our grave concern at the instrumentalization of the United Nations, in particular the Security Council, by certain states, to meddle in the internal affairs of a sovereign and full Member State of our Organization, the Islamic Republic of Iran, in violation of the Charter of the United Nations.

We express our appreciation and gratitude to the People and Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran for the excellent organization, hospitality, and hosting of the First Meeting of National Coordinators of the Group of Friends in the Defense of the Charter of the United Nations, on 05 November 2022, in Tehran.

We, at last, renew our firm determination to continue defending the Charter of the United Nations through concerted actions from the Group of Friends in Defense of the Charter of the United Nations and to stand by one another in this noble endeavor.

Tehran, 05 November 2022

3) G77 serious reservations about Treaty ignored . Galtung's characterization of the system: (1) Interaction between Center (metropole) and Periphery (colonized country) is vertical (2) Interaction between Periphery and Periphery is missing (3) Multilateral interaction involving all three is missing (4) Interaction with the outside world is monopolized by Center (5) Center as well as Periphery interaction with Periphery nations belonging to other Center nations is missing (Galtung 1971: 89) Galtung perceived his rules of interaction as applying not only to economic interaction but also military, communications (information), and cultural including news and technology flows.

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G77 AND NAM FAULT ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL APPROACH TO DEVELOPMENT

UNITED NATIONS, (G77/IPS) - The Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) and the Group of 77 (G77), the two largest political and economic groups of developing nations, have expressed reservations on a proposed plan to restructure the U.N.'s operational activities for social and economic development.

In a letter to Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, both groups have cautioned him against rushing into any hasty decision leading to the implementation of the proposed plan, which includes a single, unified approach to all U.N. development activities in the field.

"There is no one-size-fits-all (approach)," the joint letter said, warning that there should be no restrictions on the ability and sovereignty of national governments to determine their own development priorities or select their own development partners.

The letter was a strong reaction to a report by a blue-ribbon panel of current and former world leaders who have called for "a unified United Nations" at the country level — with one leader, one programme, one budget, and where appropriate, one office.

Titled the "High-Level Panel on U.N. System-Wide Coherence", the 15-member panel released a study last November called "Delivering as One" that focused on three areas: development, humanitarian assistance and the environment.

The ultimate aim of the "One-UN" initiative is to reduce duplication and transaction costs so that the United Nations can use resources more effectively to support partner countries to achieve their development goals, according to the panel.

While conceding there are "a number of useful recommendations on the report we can build on", the NAM/G77 letter warns that the study may have mistakenly touched on "cross cutting issues" — such as human rights, gender and sustainable development — as part of U.N. operational activities for development.

While cross-cutting issues are not confined only to developing countries, the letter says that both the G77 and NAM are concerned "that those issues, as well as humanitarian assistance, might be misused to introduce new conditionalities on international development assistance, which is not acceptable to developing countries."

Both groups have met the secretary-general and briefed him in greater detail.

Among the other recommendations in the report are: a Sustainable Development Board to oversee the One-UN Country programmes; a new panel consisting of the U.N. Secretary-General, the president of the World Bank and the Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to review, update and conclude formal agreements on their respective roles and relations at the global and country levels.

As part of the "One-U.N." programme, eight countries have volunteered to be guinea pigs in an experimental exercise meant to reduce duplication and to use resources more effectively.

The programme, which is currently being implemented, will be evaluated over the next 12 months for possible inclusion of additional countries willing to join it.

The eight pilot countries — Albania, Cape Verde, Mozambique, Pakistan, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uruguay and Vietnam — will provide case studies as to how the U.N. family can deliver in a more coordinated manner by pooling funds at the country level.

The G77 and NAM are sceptical of the One-UN approach to operational activities for development.

"The U.N. development system should continue to support development efforts of developing countries principally by assisting in the implementation of nationally determined development plans, strategies and priorities," the letter said.

Jens Stoltenberg, prime minister of Norway and one of the co-chairs of the panel, told a U.N. press conference last November that the United Nations could save up to 20 percent of its current costs system-wide by eliminating duplication and consolidating certain funds and programmes.

"The whole idea is not to save money for donor countries, but to save money so we can use more money for development, more money for protecting the environment and more money for humanitarian assistance," he added.

But despite the good intentions of the panel, the successful implementation of its proposals will depend largely on whether or not it receives the necessary support from developing countries, comprising over two-thirds of the 192-member General Assembly and who represent all the members of both NAM and the G77.

The letter to the secretary-general also points out that coherence at the national and international level should also involve the Bretton Woods institutions, namely the World Bank and the IMF, where they exist.

"They should be part of any integrated approach to development cooperation. Bilateral development partners should also be part and parcel of this approach," it said.

4) Urgent Open Letter from Doctors and Scientists to the European Medicines Agency Regarding COVID-19 Vaccine Safety Concerns

Emer Cooke
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28 February 2021

Dear Sirs/Mesdames,

# FOR THE URGENT PERSONAL ATTENTION OF: EMER COOKE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY

#### BY EMAIL ONLY

As physicians and scientists, we are supportive in principle of the use of new medical interventions which are appropriately developed and deployed, having obtained informed consent from the patient. This stance encompasses vaccines in the same way as therapeutics.

We note that a wide range of side effects is being reported following vaccination of previously healthy younger individuals with the gene-based COVID-19 vaccines. Moreover, there have been numerous media reports from around the world of care homes being struck by COVID-19 within days of vaccination of residents. While we recognise that these occurrences might, every one of them, have been unfortunate coincidences, we are concerned that there has been and there continues to be inadequate scrutiny of the possible causes of illness or death under these circumstances, and especially so in the absence of post-mortems examinations.

In particular, we question whether cardinal issues regarding the safety of the vaccines were adequately addressed prior to their approval by the European Medicines Agency (EMA).

As a matter of great urgency, we herewith request that the EMA provide us with responses to the following issues:

- 1. Following intramuscular injection, it must be expected that the gene-based vaccines will reach the bloodstream and disseminate throughout the body [1]. We request evidence that this possibility was excluded in pre-clinical animal models with all three vaccines prior to their approval for use in humans by the EMA.
- 2. If such evidence is not available, it must be expected that the vaccines will remain entrapped in the circulation and be taken up by endothelial cells. There is reason to assume that this will happen particularly at sites of slow blood flow, i.e. in small vessels and capillaries [2]. We request evidence that this probability was excluded in pre-clinical animal models with all three vaccines prior to their approval for use in humans by the EMA.
- 3. If such evidence is not available, it must be expected that during expression of the vaccines' nucleic acids, peptides derived from the spike protein will be presented via the MHC I pathway at the luminal surface of the cells. Many healthy individuals have CD8-lymphocytes that recognize such peptides, which may be due to prior COVID infection, but also to cross-reactions with other types of Coronavirus [3; 4] [5]. We must assume that these lymphocytes will mount an attack on the respective cells. We request evidence that this probability was excluded in pre-clinical animal models with all three vaccines prior to their approval for use in humans by the EMA.
- 4. If such evidence is not available, it must be expected that endothelial damage with subsequent triggering of blood coagulation via platelet activation will ensue at

countless sites throughout the body. We request evidence that this probability was excluded in pre-clinical animal models with all three vaccines prior to their approval for use in humans by the EMA.

- 5. If such evidence is not available, it must be expected that this will lead to a drop in platelet counts, appearance of D-dimers in the blood, and to myriad ischaemic lesions throughout the body including in the brain, spinal cord and heart. Bleeding disorders might occur in the wake of this novel type of DIC-syndrome including, amongst other possibilities, profuse bleedings and haemorrhagic stroke. We request evidence that all these possibilities were excluded in pre-clinical animal models with all three vaccines prior to their approval for use in humans by the EMA.
- 6. The SARS-CoV-2 spike protein binds to the ACE2 receptor on platelets, which results in their activation [6]. Thrombocytopenia has been reported in severe cases of SARS-CoV-2 infection [7]. Thrombocytopenia has also been reported in vaccinated individuals [8]. We request evidence that the potential danger of platelet activation that would also lead to disseminated intravascular coagulation (DIC) was excluded with all three vaccines prior to their approval for use in humans by the EMA.
- 7. The sweeping across the globe of SARS-CoV-2 created a pandemic of illness associated with many deaths. However, by the time of consideration for approval of the vaccines, the health systems of most countries were no longer under imminent threat of being overwhelmed because a growing proportion of the world had already been infected and the worst of the pandemic had already abated. Consequently, we demand conclusive evidence that an actual emergency existed at the time of the EMA granting Conditional Marketing Authorisation to the manufacturers of all three vaccines, to justify their approval for use in humans by the EMA, purportedly because of such an emergency.

Should all such evidence not be available, we demand that approval for use of the gene-based vaccines be withdrawn until all the above issues have been properly addressed by the exercise of due diligence by the EMA.

There are serious concerns, including but not confined to those outlined above, that the approval of the COVID-19 vaccines by the EMA was premature and reckless, and that the administration of the vaccines constituted and still does constitute "human experimentation", which was and still is in violation of the Nuremberg Code.

In view of the urgency of the situation, we request that you reply to this email within seven days and address all our concerns substantively. Should you choose not to comply with this reasonable request, we will make this letter public.

This email is copied to:

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APPENDIX I

NOTICE OF LIABILITY

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This Notice of Liability has been SERVED to you personally.

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Attached as appendices and as integral parts of this Notice of Liability are the documents: Urgent Open Letter from Doctors and Scientists to the European

Medicines Agency regarding COVID-19 Vaccine Safety Concerns; Reply from the European Medicines Agency to Doctors for Covid Ethics; Doctors and Scientists Accuse Medical Regulator of Downplaying COVID-19 Vaccine Dangers; Rebuttal Letter to European Medicines Agency from Doctors for Covid Ethics; Doctors for Covid Ethics Signatories.

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#### APPENDIX II

Reply from the European Medicines Agency to Doctors for Covid Ethics

#### APPENDIX III

Doctors and Scientists Accuse Medical Regulator of Downplaying COVID-19 Vaccine Dangers

## PRESS RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Doctors and Scientists Accuse Medical Regulator of Downplaying COVID-19 Vaccine Dangers

The European Medicines Agency is misleading citizens into medical experimentation, experts warn

April 1st 2021

Doctors and scientists from 25 countries have today issued a rebuttal letter to the European Medicines Agency (EMA), following the regulator's dismissal of their earlier warnings regarding COVID-19 vaccine dangers from clotting and bleeding. Within days of the EMA receiving the group's original letter on March 1st, outlining risks of blood disorders from COVID-19 vaccines, over a dozen countries suspended the AstraZeneca vaccine following deaths from clotting and bleeding, as the doctors had warned.

On March 23rd, however, the EMA dismissed the group's concerns as relating to "minor" and "rare" events, concluding that "a positive benefit-risk balance has been established."

The doctors and scientists have today hit back, accusing the EMA of misleading the public on the vaccines' true risk-benefit profile. "Your reply of March 23 is unconvincing and unacceptable," they wrote, noting that recorded cases of life-threatening cerebral venous thrombosis (CSVT) post-vaccination likely "represent just the tip of a huge iceberg". Common reactions to vaccination, including headache, nausea, blurred vision and vomiting, they state, are symptoms of CSVT,

and should be assessed as such, immediately.

Clotting and bleeding after vaccination can also "be expected to increase with each re-vaccination, and each intervening coronavirus exposure" the group warned. Over time "this renders both repeated vaccination and common coronaviruses dangerous to young and healthy age groups, for whom - in the absence of 'vaccination' - COVID-19 poses no substantive risk.

"Such is the real risk-benefit analysis of the COVID-19 'vaccines'. Either the EMA lacks the subject-matter expertise to appreciate the molecular science of this reality, or it lacks the medical ethics to act accordingly."

The group, Doctors for Covid Ethics, which includes professors of immunology and microbiology, described the EMA's responses to their concerns as "unscientific", "vague", and lacking credibility. They have offered to liaise with the agency to mitigate against vaccination risks and ethics violations, including helping the EMA to "craft a focussed pharmacovigilance plan."

The group warned that continuing to administer inadequately tested gene-based COVID-19 vaccines represents dangerous medical experimentation, whose "true risks far outweigh any theoretical benefits", reflecting "serious violations of medical ethics and citizens' medical rights."

"Misleading populations into accepting investigational agents such as the genebased COVID-19 'vaccines', or coercing them through 'vaccine passports', constitutes clear and egregious violations of the Nuremberg Code", they caution. The letter is addressed to Emer Cooke, Executive Director of the EMA, and was copied to the lawyer Reiner Fuellmich, Charles Michel, President of the Council of Europe, and Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission. Link to Doctors for Covid Ethics rebuttal letter to EMA (April 1st):

https://doctors4covidethics.medium.com/rebuttal-letter-to-european-medicines-agency-from-doctors-for-covid-ethics-april-1-2021-7d867f0121e

Link to EMA letter to Doctors for Covid Ethics (March 23rd):

https://doctors4covidethics.medium.com/reply-from-the-european-medicines-agency-to-doctors-for-covid-ethics-march-23-2021-d6760984dd06

Doctors for Covid Ethics is a group of over 100 doctors and scientists from 25 countries.

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#### Further resources

Original Doctors for Covid Ethics letter to EMA (Delivered March 1st): https://doctors4covidethics.medium.com/urgent-open-letter-from-doctors-and-scientists-to-the-european-medicines-agency-regarding-covid-19-f6e17c311595 Video statement (March 11th) by Professor Sucharit Bhakdi, Professor Emeritus of Medical Microbiology and Immunology and Former Chair, Institute of Medical Microbiology and Hygiene: https://lbry.tv/@Doctors4CovidEthics:d/Prof.-Sucharit-Bhakdi-statement-on-EMA-open-letter.ENG:0

Doctors, scientists, lawyers and colleagues in allied disciplines can sign the open letter by sending their name, qualifications, areas of expertise and country of practice to: Doctors4CovidEthics@protonmail.com, with web verification (eg workplace or registration link, not for publication).

# END APPENDIX IV

Rebuttal Letter to European Medicines Agency from Doctors for Covid Ethics

From Doctors for Covid Ethics To Emer Cooke Executive Director European Medicines Agency Amsterdam The Netherlands

April 1st 2021

Ladies and Gentlemen,

FOR THE URGENT PERSONAL ATTENTION OF: EMER COOKE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY

We acknowledge receipt of your March 23 reply to our letter dated February 28, seeking reassurance that foreseeable risks of gene-based COVID-19 "vaccines" had been ruled out in animal trials prior to human use. Our concerns arise from multiple lines of evidence, including that the SARS-CoV-2 "spike protein" is not a passive docking protein, but its production is likely to initiate blood coagulation via multiple mechanisms.

Regrettably, your reply of March 23 is unconvincing and unacceptable. We are dismayed that you choose to respond to our request for crucially important information in a dismissive and unscientific manner. Such a cavalier approach to vaccine safety creates the unwelcome impression that the EMA is serving the interests of the very pharmaceutical companies whose products it is your pledged duty to evaluate. The evidence is clear that there are some serious adverse event risks & that a number of people, not at risk from SARS-CoV-2, have died following vaccination.

- You concede that the "vaccines", which are more accurately described as investigational gene-based agents, enter the bloodstream but you can obviously provide no quantitative data. In the absence of the latter, any scientific assessment you purport to have undertaken lacks foundation.
- Your statement that non-clinical studies do not indicate any detectable uptake of the vaccines into endothelial cells lacks credibility. We demand to see the scientific evidence. If not available, it must be assumed that endothelial cells are targeted.
- Auto-attack could not have been excluded in animals unless they had been immunologically primed beforehand. We demand evidence that such experiments had been performed. Similar experiments have been undertaken before with previous, unsuccessful candidate vaccines, and fatal, antibody-dependent enhancement of disease was observed.
- We requested scientific evidence, not a vague description of what was purportedly seen in non-valid animal experiments. Your cursory mention of laboratory findings in humans is cynical. In view of the plausible connection between production of spike protein and the emergence of thromboembolic serious adverse events (SAEs), we demand to see the results of D-dimer determinations. As you are aware, D-dimer is a very good test as an aid to diagnose thrombosis.

After delivery of our letter to you on March 1, events followed that debunk your response to our last three queries to an extent that can only be termed embarrassing. As we feared, severe and fatal coagulopathies occurred in young individuals following "vaccination", leading 15 countries to suspend their AZ-"vaccination" program. An official investigation by the EMA into the cases of afflicted younger individuals followed, the results of which were announced by the WHO on March 17, 2021, stating: "At this time, WHO considers that the benefits of the AstraZeneca vaccine outweigh its risks and recommends that vaccinations continue."

What was this decision based upon? The WHO is not a competent body for formally evaluating drug safety. That is explicitly the role of the agency you lead. In your press release, you disclosed the following information to support your conclusion. You had scrutinized data on two mortally dangerous conditions that had followed within 14 days of "vaccination": DIC, disseminated intravascular coagulation; and CSVT, cerebral sinus vein thrombosis. 5 DIC and 18 CSVT were on record, with a total death toll of 9. Most cases were <55 year-old individuals. 5 DIC and 12 CSVT were under 50 years of age. None were reported as having had serious pre-existing illness.

You stated numbers that "normally" would be expected: DIC <1, CSVT 1.3. Consequently, for these very rare conditions, a link to vaccination could not entirely be dismissed. However, given that 20 million individuals had been "vaccinated", the benefits were deemed to far outweigh the risks.

But in fact, your Press Release rendered it glaringly apparent that the AZ-"vaccine" does have the potential to trigger intravascular coagulation, that the true risks far outweigh any theoretical benefits, and that any authority with the slightest sense of responsibility must suspend its further use.

• Regard your incidence numbers for <50 year old individuals in the "vaccinated" versus "normal" population:

CSVT: 12 versus 1.3.

A 9-fold increase is beyond the range of coincidence.

DIC: 5 versus <1.

As we hope you know, DIC never occurs out of the blue in healthy individuals. The incidence should not be stated as <1 when in reality it is ZERO.

ACCORDINGLY, THE DIC CASES REPRESENT CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE THAT THE AZ-VACCINE ALONE CAN TRIGGER INTRAVASCULAR COAGULATION.

• Assume that 10 million recipients of the "vaccine" were < 60 yrs and this was followed by 9 deaths due to DIC and SVCT. The death toll upon 60 million "vaccinations" would be extrapolatable to 54.

The pandemic hit around 60 million individuals < 60 yrs in Germany. During the first 6 months it reportedly claimed 52 lives of individuals without pre-existing illness.

(https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/Gesundheitsmonitoring/JoHM/2020/JoHM\_Inhalt\_20 S11.html)

Because of the unreliability of PCR testing and because of the completely novel way that deaths 'with covid19' are determined, the value of 52 is an over-estimate of the real burden of disease, further weakening your already-inadequate claim for risk-benefit.

How, then, can you declare that the benefits of vaccination far outweigh the risks? We demand your reply supported by facts and figures that we will convey to the public.

• Further considerations expose the truly frightful dimensions of your irresponsible assertion.

CSVT, cerebral venous thrombosis, is always a life-threatening condition that demands immediate medical attention. The number of cases you conceded had occurred can represent just the tip of a huge iceberg. As you must know, the most common symptoms of CSVT are piercing headache, blurred vision, nausea and vomiting. In severe cases, stroke-like symptoms occur including impairment of speech, vision and hearing, body numbness, weakness, decreased alertness and loss of motoric control.

Surely, you are not oblivious to the fact that countless individuals suffered from precisely such symptoms directly following "vaccinations" with all the experimental gene-based agents.

Clot formation in deep leg veins can lead to lethal pulmonary embolisms. Surely you must know that peripheral venous thromboses have repeatedly been reported following "vaccinations" with all the experimental gene-based agents Microthromboses in the lung vasculature can lead to misdiagnosis of pneumonia. In combination with false-positive PCR (with high cycle thresholds), these will then be registered as COVID 19 cases. Surely you must know that this scenario has probably repeatedly taken place following "vaccinations" with all the experimental gene- based agents.

In all events, extensive thrombi formation can lead to consumption of platelets and coagulation factors, resulting in hemorrhagic diathesis and bleeding at all possible locations. Surely you must know that profuse skin bleedings have repeatedly been observed following "vaccinations" with all the experimental gene-based agents. Given that there is a mechanistically plausible explanation for these thromboembolic adverse drug reactions (TE ADRs), namely that the gene-based products induce human cells to manufacture potentially pro-thrombotic spike protein, the reasoned & responsible assumption must now be that this may be a class effect. In other words, the dangers must be ruled out for all emergency-authorised gene-based vaccines, not merely the AZ product.

We urge you to adopt this stance unless and until there is data providing high clinical confidence to the contrary. We are very willing to liaise with the Agency in order to help craft a focussed pharmacovigilance plan to accomplish this goal. With the above in mind, we hope you are aware that all thrombotic events can be rapidly diagnosed by measurement of D-Dimers in blood. And that good medical practice imperatively demands that attempts are undertaken to diagnose CSVT in any and every patient, young or old, presenting with the typical signs and symptoms following "vaccination".

Given the potential for adverse effects, potentially fatal ones, it is completely inappropriate and unacceptable that EMA permits these products, which hold only emergency use authorisations, to be administered to younger (<60y) people who are healthy, as they are at unmeasurable risks from SARS-CoV-2.

Not to make this explicit is, in our view, a reckless stance to have taken in the first place and doubly so now.

Of equal importance, you are bound by duty to investigate whether reasons exist for the waves of deaths that have occurred following "vaccination" of elderly residents in care and senior homes. Or are you asserting that dangers of "vaccine"-derived thrombotic events are limited to younger individuals? If not, restricting their use solely in one age group – as decided upon in Germany – equates with nothing less than monstrous, condoned genocide of the other.

In closing, failure to inform "vaccine" recipients of the risks and negligible benefits outlined here represents serious violations of medical ethics and citizens' medical rights. Those violations are especially grave as all the risks we describe can be expected to increase with each re-vaccination, and each intervening coronavirus exposure. This renders both repeated vaccination and common coronaviruses dangerous to young and healthy age groups, for whom - in the absence of "vaccination" - COVID-19 poses no substantive risk.

Such is the real risk-benefit analysis of the COVID-19 "vaccines". Either the EMA lacks the subject-matter expertise to appreciate the molecular science of this reality, or it lacks the medical ethics to act accordingly.

At best, we regard the EMA's complacent stance on vaccine dangers to be symptomatic of the fact that, under the prevailing politico-medical response to COVID-19, medical ethics has migrated from the consulting room to a geopolitical stage. Faced with a medical problem, mass-medical intervention has seen the practice of medicine taken from doctors' hands. In this politicized context, corporate and political actors may consider themselves free from ethical constraints, operating unbound by a medical code of ethics, unlike medical doctors. All actors, however, are bound by the Nuremberg Code.

The Nuremberg Code prohibits human experimentation of the very kind being endorsed and defended by the EMA. Even under the terms of their own original FDA authorization, COVID-19 vaccines are deemed "investigational" and their recipients "human subjects", who are, by definition, entitled to informed consent. https://www.fda.gov/regulatory-information/search-fda-guidance-documents/emergency-use-investigational-drug-or-

biologic#:~:text=Emergency%20use%20is%20defined%20as,21%20CFR%2056.102 (d)%5D.

Misleading populations into accepting investigational agents such as the gene-based COVID-19 "vaccines", or coercing them through "vaccine passports", constitutes clear and egregious violations of the Nuremberg Code. The Nuremberg Code mandates voluntary informed consent "without the intervention of any element of force, fraud, deceit [or] duress".

https://history.nih.gov/display/history/Nuremberg+Code

In other words, citizens have the right under the Nuremberg Code and related protections not to be subject involuntarily to medical experiments. It is clear that these experimental agents should be CONTRA-INDICATED in individuals not at elevated risk of serious illness & death if infected by SARS-CoV-2. Furthermore, the use of the experimental agents must also be withheld in the elderly population until a risk-benefit assessment has been properly conducted. In any event, the vaccine label must be revised to reflect the recently emerged serious adverse events addressed here.

We remind the EMA that Nuremberg violations constitute crimes against humanity under the Geneva Convention. Crimes against humanity are deemed "the worst atrocities known to mankind", and are prosecuted under the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. https://www.un.org/en/chronicle/article/role-international-criminal-court-ending-impunity-and-establishing-rule-law Given the hundreds of millions and eventually billions of people who may be coerced

into accepting these agents, the EMA, in persistently shrinking from open debate and the truth, will be seen by lawyers and historians as having actively assisted in crimes against humanity, with the full weight of the implications to all involved. We demand that you engage openly with us to ensure that the public have an objective understanding of the clinical risk profile of these gene-based interventions.

You understand that coercive pressure is being placed on citizens to receive COVID-19 vaccines, which are experimental medical treatments. Your responsibility to those citizens includes ensuring that they are informed of the adverse event risks of every such treatment. To date you have failed to do so, and have instead misled the public on the reality of the "vaccines" risk-benefit profile.

If you continue to conceal the truth, efforts will be made to bring this to light and to see that justice is done. For the sake of the injured and the dead, and to protect further lives from similar fates.

#### **NOTICE**

For the avoidance of doubt, if your regulatory body does not immediately suspend its "emergency" recommendation of potentially dangerous inadequately tested genebased "vaccines", while the matters which we have highlighted to you are properly investigated, we hereby put the European Medicines Agency on notice of being complicit in medical experimentation, in violation of the Nuremberg Code, which thereby constitutes the commission of crimes against humanity.

Furthermore, it is your indirigible duty as a regulatory body to ensure that all doctors worldwide are advised that they are taking part in medical experimentation via "vaccination" programmes, whether wittingly or unwittingly, with all the legal and ethical obligations that such involvement entails.

This email is copied to the lawyer Reiner Fuellmich. It is also copied to Charles Michel, President of the Council of Europe, and to Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission.

Yours faithfully,

**Doctors for Covid Ethics** 

Over 100 doctors and scientists from 25 countries

https://doctors4covidethics.medium.com/urgent-open-letter-from-doctors-and-scientists-to-the-european-medicines-agency-regarding-covid-19-f6e17c311595

#### APPENDIX V

Doctors for Covid Ethics Signatories

**Doctors for Covid Ethics Signatories** 

Doctors for Covid Ethics has written two open letters to the European Medicines Agency regarding COVID-19 vaccine dangers. In those letters we have insisted upon evidence that risks of clotting, bleeding and platelet abnormalities were appropriately ruled out in legitimate empirical trials prior to human use.

Signatories across the two letters are as follows:

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5) Slovakia rejects signing the WHO Pandemic Treaty Prime Minister of Slovakia ordered investigation into COVID-19 response & vaccines

Prime Minister of Slovakia, Robert Fico,

Translation by William Makis MD

Slovakia rejects signing the WHO Pandemic Treaty. Fico describes the jabs as 'experimental' and 'untested'. He speaks out about the abuse of the unvaccinated and mandatory vaccination as having had "scandalous consequences".

Fico calls WHO Pandemic Treaty "nonsense invented by greedy pharma companies"

#### Prime Minister Fico:

"If someone had a different opinion about vaccination against COVID-19, they were "dangerous to society".

"The media openly wrote, as you all remember, and I'm quoting right now: "that every unvaccinated person should squeal from pain like a pig. It is necessary to use force if someone rejects the policy of the needle"

"One study after another confirms the scandalous consequences of mass vaccination with untested experimental vaccines."

"In the same way, I also very clearly declare, that SMER Slovakian Social Democracy (the ruling political party) will NOT support the strengthening of World Health Organization's powers at the expense of sovereign states in managing battles against pandemics."

"I will say that such nonsense could only have been invented by greedy pharmaceutical companies which began to perceive the resistance of certain governments against mandatory vaccination."

"This is a major development and it has dramatic global implications."

"One study after another confirms the scandalous consequences of mass vaccination with untested experimental vaccines."

Fico has also extensively called out corruption of the Ukrainian government and the financial aid that goes to Ukraine, as "maybe the biggest corruption in the world"

He also intends to investigate the scandalous activities of the previous government during the pandemic including "the financial side of extensive, often completely nonsensical purchases medical devices and vaccines."

January 30th 2024 Prime Minister Robert Fico speech before the European Parliament

Slovak Prime Minister announced Slovakia would launch an investigation into the "COVID circus" related to the experimental vaccine rollout and pandemic response measures.

"We will never understand the truth about what role pharmaceutical companies played and who actually organized the entire COVID-19 circus," Fico said. "With this in mind, ladies and gentlemen, the Government of the Slovak Republic has decided to include a promise to resolve this issue in official announcements."

"The Slovak people simply need an answer. What was it really? Why were various experimental vaccines given to people without any testing? Why were all sorts of drugs pushed on people? Why was there statewide testing? Who bought these? Why were these purchased? How much quantity was purchased? How much money was spent on that? We end up with billions, billions!"

Fico went on to explain that the investigation is especially warranted given Slovakia saw 21,000 excess deaths since 2020, which he blamed on "government incompetence."

"We have 21,000 deaths, which we connect with the fact that the governments that were here since 2020 were not capable of managing (the pandemic) and cared only about economic gains and of course made sure they were bowing to pharmaceutical companies from which they bought huge quantities of useless medical equipment and often also vaccines." he said.

Fico said Slovakia will create a new government office specifically to investigate the matter and appoint its Deputy of the National Assembly to lead the probe and publish its results.

"Based on what we have available, we want to know what really happened. I think that Dr. Kotlar, Deputy of the National Assembly, is equipped with sufficient information," he said. "I see that he is prepared, even when it comes to keeping the team together. I asked him to discuss everything in the cabinet before making any

public statement. And I am absolutely, I repeat, absolutely confident that his work will yield results, which we will publish and tell the Slovak public what really happened during this COVID period."

"Today we know one thing: Previous governments absolutely failed to manage Covid and left 21,000 people to their own devices. And, as we all know, they made a lot of money from unnecessary purchases of various medical supplies and vaccines," he concluded.

## 6) Indonesia

Senate Endorse Official Letter to refuse the WHO proliferation of Biolabs, the IHR as unfounded in law, amendments, the work of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body and seek remedy to the fraudulent accusing of national debt and loss of control of natural resources, and refuse UN Nuclear submarines in Indonesian waters.

Translation of Dr Kun and Siti Fadilah's Statement.

Dear. Ir. H. La Nyalla Mahmud Mattalitti Chairman of the Regional Representative Council Republic of Indonesia In place

Yours faithfully,

May Allah SWT always provide health, safety and convenience to Mr. Chairman of the Regional Representative Council of the Republic of Indonesia (DPD RI) in carrying out his mandate and daily duties.

On this occasion we would like to convey the aspirations of the Indonesian people who are members of the Healthy Movement for the Indonesian People (GESURI) that we reject the concept of the Pandemic Treaty which is currently being discussed in the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB) and will be adopted on May 24 2024, and reject the Amendment International Health Regulations (IHR). The complete reasons for rejecting the Pandemic Treaty and the Amendments to the International Health Regulations (IHR) are fully explained in the Appendix. WHO is trying to take over Global Power by seeking that all member countries of the World Health Assembly (WHA) adopt amendments to the International Health Regulations (IHR) and adopt the proposed Pandemic Treaty.

The proposed amendments would make the WHO statement legally binding and not just a recommendation. The changes would institutionalize the Global Digital Health Certificate and require countries to implement regulations WITHOUT respecting human dignity, human rights and fundamental freedoms.

If the Indonesian state agrees to the Pandemic Treaty along with the Amendment to the International Health Regulations (IHR), this will have the impact of losing Indonesian State Sovereignty, hurting democracy, not respecting human rights, and not being in line with the basic principles and constitution of the 1945 Constitution. We ONLY recognize WHO as an advisory body, without any power to implement in Indonesia the recommendations they make.

Indonesia is a country that adheres to People's Sovereignty as regulated in Article 1 paragraph (2) of the 1945 Constitution, which states that "Sovereignty is in the hands

of the people and is implemented according to the Constitution". We, the Indonesian people, claim our right to popular sovereignty in all matters, and do not cede any authority to WHO.

We are responsible for our own health, and "We are not responsible to WHO".

Thus we convey, we thank you for your attention.

Best regards,

HEALTHY MOVEMENT FOR THE INDONESIAN PEOPLE (GESURI) Appendix 1

This statement refers mainly to the WHO Treaty but applies to all international governance by the WEF, the IHR and amendments, GAVI, WHA, Conference of the parties, UN 'Climate Action', the military, and Artificial Intelligence.

If Indonesia fails to actively reject any of the agreements, full executive powers and security silently pass to organizations that are protected from financial and operational liability. Simultaneously, the Indonesian government will remain responsible but lose the authority and ability to exercise control over any financial or operational risks.

Any external instruction to proliferate weapons of mass destruction; Radiological (Smart) Biological (medical, mosquito & green 'biotech') and Nuclear, will be legally binding and implemented as a military protocol.

Regardless of negotiations and final wording, control of the technology and data remain with the patent holders.

World Council For Health26th March 2024

Dr Widya Murni, Indonesia World Council For Health, Expert Hearing 26th March 2024

After the Expert Hearing 40 Country Councils Voted Unanimously to exit the WHO

Thank you for this opportunity to add the weight and gravitas of Indonesia's doctors to this vote to stop the World Health Organization. Without further ado, I am Dr. Widya Murni, representing Indonesia & Country Council Indonesia. The WHO's declaration and handling of the Covid 19 plandemic had a detrimental impact to our physical, emotional, mental wellbeing, economy, and democratic constitution that we are yet to recover from.

Indisputably, the mandated lockdowns, masks and experimental vaccines constitute significant unlawful abuses of power by the authorities. The Amendments to the International Health Regulations and the proposed Treaty show that the WHO has no intention of returning our sovereignty or constitution, the Undang - Undang Dasar (UUD) 1945.

During the pandemic, the threats and discrimination against Indonesian people were particularly harsh, with no financial or food provision made, despite the receipt of a pandemic fund. Even for many health practitioners like myself who are passionate in providing healthcare to our patients. All this by the restrictive order and direction from WHO.

They have continued with experimental vector and vaccine programs but the lack of public consultation has woken up Indonesia to the fact that WHO are clearly contravening the Nuremburg Code and some are already arguing Genocide in the

International Criminal Courts, with thousands of cases and pages of evidence being submitted.

Indonesia is committed to there being another false declaration of world pandemic and all the harm that would follow. To make sure this is not allowed to happen again in the future, the World Health Organization and representatives in member states must be held to account by law.

Most importantly WHO does not possess the same values, ethics and mission of a health authority but just acts as a business outlet to rule. We, therefore, will stress the importance of liberating ourselves from foreign rulings whose interests are to benefit themselves, not the people and global community. We should not consent to any tyrannical health or surveillance compulsions or colonization of our human rights ever again. The lack of transparency from WHO prompts us to question, do they endeavor representation of true care or just indignity enhancement.

Report for Indonesia's General, by :Frances Significance for Indonesia's urgent withdrawal from the WHO treaty, of the Mosquito Releases, dated 11th November 2023

Immediate Action required for Hankamrata: Total people defence Indonesia has two choices that must be made immediately or no longer have any choice at all.

In two days' time 13th November 2023 there is the planned Bali Mosquito Release, in Denpasar and another city.

In two weeks' time, 1st December, the withdrawal period closes, from the World Health Organization's so-called Pandemic Treaty. After that date, it would take two years to withdraw and it may not be legal or allowed to withdraw.

The WHO Amendments will give the WHO itself legally binding authority over all governments; to declare a pandemic, to lock down the country, to limit the movement of the people, to monitor and modify the behaviour of people, to inflict economic collapse, debt and starvation on the people, ban Indonesia's own medicines, ban access to any self-sufficient farming methods - for example rice fields, as potentially a breeding ground for diseases, to allocate public money to Gain of Function research, pharmaceutical vaccine research, mosquito factories, and give the WHO the exclusive right to Approve such drugs for the market, to require governments buy supplies of these PPE and vaccines, and put mandates and penalties in place for any country, or individual man or woman's acting with any freedom, which are in alignment with Indonesian medicine, religion, culture, wisdom, justice, and infrastructure that the government deem more successful to improve and provide national health.

After the 1st December, no world government will have any choice at all. Stopping the mosquito release on National Security, and Scientific grounds (as well as legal and political) will provide the grounds for withdrawal from the agreement with the WHO Amendments (and lead and support other countries to do the same). This would be a major legacy for this incoming government.

The way to raise it to a priority politically for this election period is to ask every minister and candidate for a statement about the WHO amendments.

I bet only the health minister will know and not one other minister, let alone the Coordination Departments, have been consulted or reached an informed consensus about the huge impact. On this point, that only the Health Minister was consulted, we can show the example of the Mass Mosquito Release, going against the 2017 legislation. We had to let the other ministers know, and that was after reading the mayor of Denpasar's Instagram announcement just 6 weeks ago.

The implications for the WHO treaty at government level, are that it will create an imbalance that the Ministry of Health will be much more powerful than any other department, and will no longer have to consult with even the ministry of defence. They will control the budgets and choices for all Indonesia. At the moment, if we discredit the actions by the minister of health as political control and financially motivated, as he is not a doctor, we can also question the Minister's Pandemic Preparedness department and principles which are:

1) Giving an unelected foreign organization (WHO) global power on totally false scientific grounds 2) The treatment of whole countries that are not sick. 3) Justification for 'Gain of Function' research, which involves the Public funding of genetic engineering of diseases, to be more fatal or virulent. Gain of Function research results are then not disclosed to the regulatory or environmental protection authorities, or available for independent testing. Instead, they are patented for the development of vaccines, by the pharmaceutical industry, and with-held for biosafety, by the military. The WHO argue that these diseases 'could have happened in nature' and they need to prepare. Governments have been lobbied to accept this false argument that GMOs are substantially equivalent to natural organisms. For example, the World Mosquito Program promote the mosquitoes as carrying Wolbachia "like many other insects do". These engineered enhancements could never have happened in nature. DNA does not get damaged in nature. We have to use this scientific argument and challenge this foundational principle of pandemic preparedness and Gain of Function potential pandemic pathogens.

The WMP and the Ministry for health falsely claim the mosquitoes are 'natural'. The ways that the mosquitoes are scientifically unnatural are really important. We have to argue the other world-wide lie that has been lobbied to governments, that Gene Editing is different and safer than genetic modification.

If the government take the time now to stop all bio-technology use in Indonesia, pending an investigation into this claim that Gene Editing is not GMO, we will have saved the nation. If we don't, we may not get these mosquitoes but we will have to watch out for and resist every "Green Technology" creation presented at the AIS Technology Conference on Bali (Oct. 10th and 11th 2023), such as plastic- and oileating bacteria, and carbon capture and storage (CCS), engineering algae that could change the algae we rely on for oxygen, and every other unpredictable, unsafe and inaccurate edit of Nature's gene pool (microbiome), that man believes he has achieved.

Specifically, to understand today, the Aedes Aegypti mosquito has been bred to

carry Wolbachia bacteria, inoculating the mosquitoes from Dengue. The risk is that the diseases including Dengue will themselves mutate into more dangerous strains of disease to compete with the Wolbachia. And Wolbachia itself causes Filarial diseases and is present in fish, birds, and human parasites, as well as transmitting water-borne diseases - where mosquito larvae live for two weeks.

One legal precedent the government could use is that Microsoft were taken to court in 2003 for anti-competition practices, ending in the re-marketing of technologies as not for profit, health strategies.

Indonesia can argue that Microsoft are creating a market for their vaccines, by supplying technology for a built-to-fail mosquito health strategy. And then creating another market, for their 5G and 6G smart cities, using health-justified monitoring and reducing the population's ability to live and work in the natural environment, justified by saying it is for their own safety and to stop the spread. And then when we are a captured market, we will be vaccinated, even if the manufacturers are still saying an effective vaccine has not been found yet.

(Senior WMP managers were at the All Eyes On Bali summit yesterday and admitted they had started releases in August in the north of Bali and there already are horrendous blood images and symptoms being observed, that do not test positive for Dengue or other familiar diseases.

This could be a covert attack on Bali, which will be followed by Kalimantan, where the new capital is to be. And then on 12 other countries, via mosquitoes (as is stated in the WMP Scale UP PDF).

However, we have to raise awareness of the attack on 193 countries through their acquiescence and blind acceptance of the International Health Regulation Amendments and WHO Treaty, via a multitude of health strategies.

We need to find out at once, if it is only the Health Minister in each country who has been involved in negotiations and recommending adoption of the WHO Pandemic Preparedness Treaty. We must tell them to appeal to all their planning legislation to withdraw their country from inclusion, on grounds of the foreign-control being given, the level of impact on their country, the absence of financial and scientific due diligence in regard to the WHO, and the absence of due planning process with all ministers and competent authorities.

At the same time, Indonesia does not have to conflict with the super powers of other countries. It can withdraw and state that it wishes to be the Control Group of the medical experiment. The Control Group exists already. The experiment is obviously the Global Smart Health Strategy.

The mosquitoes and the majority of biotech for use in medicine, food, agriculture, conservation and military are all on an Experimental Permit of Approval. Every experiment needs a control group. Indonesia can prove that it can be self sufficient on all these levels, including the refusal of financial investment for research.

Indonesia can use another quantitative and quantitative methodology for measuring

our health and quality of life and biodiversity. The case against the WHO was brought by Indonesia's previous Health Minister, to stop the WHO from taking Indonesia samples to America, of Avian Bird Flu. This could be used as a legal precedent. The taking of the samples was followed by gain of function engineering to create H5N1, which escaped from top security labs in America (ref. Institute For Responsible Technology White Papers and draft Bioweapons, Green Technology and GM Mosquitoes papers.) Now the samples she tried to guard are in Ukraine.

We must stop the idea of Indonesia's capital being a smart city under the control of surveillance through American artificial intelligence. Again the mosquitoes are strategic for the WHO (who did the risk analysis of the releases, and found 50 potential biohazards as 'negligible'). The Mosquitoes will carry Wolbachia IP Technology, coupled with CNN Artificial Intelligence. The mosquitoes have an interest in human blood as they bite in order to feed and breed. The biggest business in the world is interested in human blood too, including DNA information, data, and samples. There has already been major evidence that the Covid vaccines have corrupted blood in a myriad of detrimental ways.

All these mRNA and other biotechnologies are foreign-owned and patented with exclusive rights to access the data and control the equipment. This will inevitably exclude Indonesian oversight.

In the case of producing and releasing disease vectors; a gene drive technology is irreversible. In addition, environmental protection agencies will not be given the information on the exact gene sequence/strain of wolbachia or the ingredients in vaccines, to be able to monitor their spread. Gene drive technology is not approved for release outside a laboratory. The World Mosquito Program answer. 1) It is not a gene drive but they intend for the mosquitoes to replace the wild mosquitoes (the exact definition of a gene drive) 2) The mosquitoes are harmless - this is not a scientific statement and not backed up by any scientific evidence) 3) The mosquitoes are natural and deny IP technology in them. This is a denial of the one monitoring system and control (possibly) system, of the mosquitoes, that Bali has. The Minister for health has bought a license for the Wolbachia Technology and yet he denies its existence.

The investigation must include whether 1) the minister intended to sell the data? Or 2) whether he must hand over the data for the foreign owner of the technology? Or 3) Whether the Health Minister intended to deny a mosquito release monitoring system, specifically in order to avoid liability for damages.

In the case to stop the mosquito release on Monday, it has been shown that the program is Australian Funded, fully. It is not a government program. It is likely, however that the Department of Health with say that the Implementer is from the Department of Health and therefore it is a government program. The implementer, is Wiwied Trisnadi. When asked what he had worked before that prepared him to manage the release of 200 million mosquitoes with confidence, he said the Pandemic Preparedness section in the Ministry for Health. He also said that he does not know anything about the science behind the mosquito method and is unaware of any risks to environment or ecosystem.

If the Wolbachia bacteria is inherited or it is self-replicated, they are both equally dangerous but the implementers with liability have no idea of what they are responsible for.

If the WHO treaty is agreed, Indonesians will be subjected to the worst lockdowns, with no financial supports for the people, the worst strains of disease will remain unrecorded, and the environment will be uninhabitable.

Charges Filed 8th November 2023

On Monday 6th November 2023 (1) the World Mosquito Program (2) and Save The Children Fund's (3)

Massive Mosquito Release Program (4)

was found to be a Foreign Program NOT A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM (5) And therefore must Cease and Desist (STOP)

It is illegal (6), fraudulent (7), without efficacy (8), without notice (9), without transparency (10) or disclosure (11) and of high National Security risk of being a hostile deployment of biological agents (12). A figure of 40 billion Australian Dollars was paid by the Gillespie Family fund, to establish stake holders who would allow the releases in Bali (13). There has been no Due Diligence done in regard to operational management, financial management, regulation (14) or Liability (15)

- 16) Immediate confiscation of the mosquito eggsby the Police with Army support Wednesday 8th November, within office hours.17) The mosquito factory must not be given prior warning of your arrival. WMP and SCF are managed by a non-national agent.
- 18) Or any opportunity to sell and transport the eggs to another buyer,
- 19) Or dropped on another community.
- 20) Or disposed of in Bali unsafely
- 21) Risk of retaliation. They must not have time to distribute the eggs in any of the sites identified
- 22) Already recruited families to incubate the eggs.
- 23) Laws broken Legal Instruments applicable.

Copies of the above charges have been copied and sent by email to attendees of the above meeting.

Full body of evidence referenced by number:

Dr Peter McCullough MD MPH - Vaccine-induced Myocarditis January 14th 2024 Released a film 'Shot Dead' with vaccine-death families.

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- 10. Singapore accidental 3 female GM Mosquitoes replace a whole population (Gene Drive)
- 11. 2008 Indonesia Refuses Material Transfer of Viruses (now called pathogen-sharing)
- 12 Bill Bates versus the US Manufactures consent in developing countries by funding universities.
- 13. Elon Musk, 180-day experimental permit to radiate people and deliver genetic modifications using electrical-pulses, plus data collection without consent.
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- 15. Central bank challenge for printing bank notes using pigs blood, and losing the 'Right to Rescue' animals in court.
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- 23. South African Contracts Pfizer payment Guarantee Required, including natural resources, reserve banks and military bases.
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Court proceedings to stop 775,992,000 biopesticide lab-reared Wolbachia-bacteria-infected mosquitoes per week. 807 billion over 20 years, still on an emergency permit; with no Environmental Impact Assessment, in the fragile ecosystems of East Maui.

Plaintiff Lia, on behalf of Hawaii Unites, verbally requested a contested case hearing for agenda item C-2 "Request Approval of Final Environmental Assessment and Authorization for the Chairperson to Issue a Finding of No Significant Impact for the 'Suppression of Invasive Mosquito populations to Reduce Transmission of Avian Malaria to Threatened and Endangered Forest Birds on East Maui'"

On March 13, 2023, Plaintiff Lia filed a complaint on behalf of Hawaii Unites with the

State of Hawai'i Office of the Ombudsman, requesting an investigation into the BLNR for interference with the public's ability to testify at the BLNR meeting on March 10, 2023. Per Tina Lia's complaint, the BLNR Secretary emailed incorrect and inoperative information for providing video testimony at the meeting. The BLNR then rearranged the agenda items at the March 10, 2023, meeting in random order with no explanation to the public waiting to testify. Testifiers for the biopesticide mosquito project agenda item were made to sit through the entire eight-hour meeting, reduce their testimony from three minutes to two minutes each, and listen to the BLNR members joking and laughing about the postponement of the biopesticide mosquito project agenda item.

Hawaii Unites has repeatedly presented documented, compelling evidence of the risks and impacts of the biopesticide mosquito project to the BLNR. Rather than acknowledge and address the organization's concerns, the BLNR has acted in a consistently dismissive and disruptive manner towards this testimony. The rights of Hawaii Unites, of the organization's supporters, and of the public, to open governmental processes have been infringed upon by the BLNR in their effort to silence discussion about the risks and impacts of the project.

Hawaii Unites dispute that BLNR's powers include the authority to "adopt rules"; "appoint hearing officers to conduct public hearings"; bring enforcement actions; and establish "restrictions, requirements, or conditions ...relating to the use of particular land being disposed of, the terms of sale, lease, license, or permit, and the qualifications of any person to draw, bid, or negotiate for public land. "Land" is defined to include "all interests therein and natural resources including water." https://hawaiiunites.org/wp-

content/uploads/2023/05/2023\_0508\_Hawaii\_Unites\_and\_Lia\_v\_BLNR\_and\_DLNR.pdf

Hawaii's Health Minister is the only Health Minister in the World who has taken a stand against the weaponisation of health. He will give evidence again in the Appeal, but as a private citizen.

10. Singapore World Mosquito Program release only males but allow for a tiny percentage of the breeding biting females to be released. In Indonesia and Sri Lanka, the World Mosquito Program had developed their business plan to allow for a female bias - which meant that the majority of lab-born mosquitoes were born female as the males were sterile. They created false promotional material to suggest that both males and female eggs should be deployed.

The Singapore study showed that about 3 female mosquitoes accidentally released caused "total population replacement": By definition that is a 'gene drive' which is a technology so dangerous that over 300,000 people and groups signed a petition for a moratorium on even gene drive research. Gene drives have never been approved for open air release, but the defendants and their agents

"Wolbachia-mediated sterility suppresses Aedes aegypti populations in the urban tropics" – The Project Wolbachia – Singapore Consortium, Ng Lee Ching

"In Tampines, where pipeline-sorted wAlbB-SG males were released, we detected wAlbB-positive adult females sporadically and at lower frequencies than in Yishun (Fig. 6B). From May 2020 onwards, however, following a year of very low wildtype Aedes aegypti population, we observed a steady increase in wAlbB-positive adult

females caught (Fig. 6B) in the Tampines core, along with a rebound in the wildtype Aedes aegypti population in the same area. This suggests that even with high-fidelity sorting, inadvertent release of a few fertile females can lead to stable establishment of Wolbachia in the field, given the lack of competition from the nearly eliminated wildtype population."

"Our data further show that when the wildtype mosquito population is suppressed to very low levels—possibly close to elimination, as in the Tampines core—release of even a few fertile wAlbB-SG females could result in establishment of wAlbB in the field population. This threshold may be as low as three individuals, the minimum number of wAlbB-SG females we believe were released in the Tampines core during Phase 2."

11. Indonesia's Siti Fadilah Supari is the only one who has ever got a military laboratory shut down, who has refused to share potential pandemic pathogen samples with the WHO on biosafety grounds.

Indonesia The AS NAMRU-2 Biolab that Siti Fadilah, the Minister of Health who was Imprisoned, was fighting against.

Photo of Biolab AS NAMRU-2 which was opposed by Siti Fadilah, the Minister of Health who was imprisoned.

As Minister of Health of the Republic of Indonesia she announced that Indonesia would no longer provide bird flu viruses to the World Health Organization

The defendant in the medical equipment corruption case Siti Fadilah Supari discusses with legal advisors during a break in the follow-up trial at the Corruption Court, Jakarta, Wednesday, June 7 2018. (Antara/Puspa Perwitasari) The United States Navy (US Navy) has the Naval Medical Research Unit Detachment-2 (Medical Research Unit Two/NAMRU-2). This is the Navy's biomedical research laboratory, which was established with the aim of studying infectious diseases that have potential importance from a defense perspective in Asia.NAMRU-2 is officially registered under the US Naval Medical Research Center Command, located in Silver Spring, State of Maryland, and is considered the center of a network of laboratories located in various locations around the world.NAMRU-2 operates in several countries in Southeast Asia, including Vietnam, Laos, Singapore, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia and Cambodia. Specifically in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, NAMRU-2 was opened, equipped and operated as a satellite laboratory to conduct research on possible infectious disease outbreaks on a regional scale, with support from the Singapore Embassy's Defense Cooperation office. Meanwhile, other laboratory locations include Peru, Kenya and Egypt. Meanwhile, NAMRU-2, which previously operated in Indonesia, was relocated to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii and officially opened as NAMRU-2 Pacific on June 17 2010, and closed in 2013. History of NAMRU

NAMRU-2 was initiated in Guam during World War II and operated under the Rockefeller Foundation. Its primary function when founded, was to study infectious diseases, which had potential importance in military considerations in Asia. This unit was then founded in 1955 in Taipei, Taiwan, and operated for 24 years. In 1958, a classic cholera epidemic broke out in Bangkok, Thailand, for the first time in ten years. NAMRU 2 responded to the Taiwanese Government's request for assistance. Then, annual research appeared in Thailand for several years, plus the EI Tor type

of cholera, which appeared in 1961 in Sulawesi. This outbreak became the 7th pandemic, which quickly became the center of attention of the NAMRU-2 agenda, along with how to overcome it. In 1968, reported by Suara Pemberda from Wikipedia , the Indonesian Ministry of Health discussed starting a separate unit in Jakarta. Indonesia. This request from the Indonesian Ministry of Health was motivated by the disease that hit Boyolali Regency, namely in Selo District and Cepogo District, where 101 people fell ill, and 42 of them died with a case fatality rate (CFR) of 42 percent. This unit was then established in 1970 at the official invitation of representatives of the Indonesian Ministry of Health to investigate infectious diseases of significance to both the US Navy, and the US Department of Defense. In 1979, as a result of the recognition of the sovereignty of the People's Republic of China by the US, NAMRU-2 was asked to leave Taiwan, and move to Manila, Philippines.In 1990, due to political turmoil in the Philippines and potential threats to US personnel, the US deemed it prudent to house this command center, as there was a desire to reduce the US presence in Manila. The US Navy then began negotiating the parent unit's move to Jakarta, and discussions began between the US Department of State and the Indonesian Government. The main unit then officially moved to Jakarta in 1991, and the unit in Manila was closed in June 1994. After that, NAMRU-2 also began to formulate ways to handle infectious disease threats for US military personnel, who were dispatched to Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia. Joint research projects were initiated with local authorities in these countries. Then, the World Health Organization (WHO) appointed NAMRU-2 as a collaboration center for new diseases for Southeast Asia. In 2002, activities in Phnom Penh were initiated by NAMRU-2, with the aim of research into regional infectious diseases, and laboratory support to diagnose them. This operation was performed from a laboratory located at the National Institute of Public Health in Pnom Penh, Cambodia. In 2007, with the priority of responding to global infectious disease threats, NAMRU-2 began carrying out separate unit preparation steps in Pnom Penh with the support of the Singapore Embassy's Office of Defense Cooperation. The main and central laboratory of NAMRU-2 was in Jakarta until 2010, when the request was closed by the Indonesian Government.Later, the central element of this unit was moved to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii and officially opened as NAMRU-2 Pacific on June 17, 2010, and closed in 2013.

## Collaboration for NAMRU-2 with Indonesia

The NAMRU-2 unit in Jakarta, Indonesia, began 'playing' in 1968, between the Indonesian Ministry of Health and the US, as a separate unit from the facility in Taipei, Taiwan. This unit was then officially established in 1970 at the official invitation of representatives of the Indonesian Ministry of Health. Following political turmoil in Manila, the parent unit officially moved to Jakarta in 1991, and the Manila unit was closed in June 1994.NAMRU-2 Jakarta occupies an area of 5,670 meters, which consists of laboratories. The storage area is in three complex buildings of the Indonesian Ministry of Health (Badan LITBANGKES). The facility also features animal storage facilities, which are accredited by the American Association for the Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care (AAALAC). It also includes a 220 square meter BL3 laboratory that was moved from its previous location in Korea. Apart from the facilities in Jakarta, another facility which is quite modern and complete is the 418 square meter research facility in Jayapura, Irian Jaya. The NAMRU-2 staff consists of 175 Indonesian employees and 19 US employees. In 2001, a book entitled Program Evaluation: Perspectives on the Department of Defense Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System: a program review was

published in Washington DC, USA. This book reviews the many programs carried out by NAMRU-2 in Indonesia, including its collaboration with WHO. Among other things, influenza disease surveillance efforts in Indonesia are considered weak, because there are many uses in nasopharyngeal specimen sampling techniques .Therefore, it was considered that it would be better if this sample was carried out at an international level. The evaluation results also stated that samples sent to several places, including Australia, had a low level of coordination for reporting back. Tuberculosis (TB) surveillance in Indonesia is also assessed: Many TB cases are undiagnosed throughout the country. Laboratories in Indonesia are not equipped with the ability to diagnose and monitor germ resistance to the drugs administered, thereby threatening the population of US citizens living in Indonesia.HIV cases are starting to appear, and it is feared that if the HIV virus starts to associate with TB germs, TB cases will increase drastically. NAMRU-2 also faces resource challenges, with requests for training from the Indonesian Ministry of Health for various matters. Among the research requested to be carried out at universities in Indonesia, the problem is that research results from universities in Indonesia do not have a direct channel, which could have an impact on health management in Indonesia.In 2005, bird flu became a serious health problem for the world, and Indonesia was worst affected with 141 cases and 115 deaths. Indonesian Minister of Health Dr Siti Fadilah Supari initially complied with WHO regulations and followed all the rules. One of the vaccines, Prototype, was later developed by the Australian company CSL and supported by the Australian Government. Efforts to make this vaccine are aimed at protecting medical workers, if an outbreak occurs. But then, former Australian Health Minister Tony Abbott gave a media statement that the vaccine would only be available to Australian citizens. Although this was later denied by Robert McClelland from the Labor Party, that the party's policy of sharing the CSL vaccine with Indonesia and other countries in Southeast Asia was to spread this disease. However, this then triggered a cessation of sending samples of the bird flu virus from Indonesia to the rest of the world.

In the same year, 2007, Siti as Minister of Health of the Republic of Indonesia announced that Indonesia would no longer provide bird flu viruses to the World Health Organization (WHO) through the Influenza Monitoring Network Division (GISN). According to Siti, GISN does not pay attention to the needs and interests of developing countries. Siti also argued that WHO had violated its own regulations in that the virus was transferred using double standards, received from countries affected by the virus through GISN, and handed over to commercial companies for vaccine development. Then, these vaccines became very expensive and available in countries affected by the virus, while rich industrial countries were busy using them just in case the outbreak hit. This statement was later recorded with the title It's Time for the World to Change .In her book, Siti revealed that since 1952, as many as 110 countries with flu cases have been obliged to share virus specimens without conditions. These viruses are collected by GISN, become their property, and by experts, then carry out risk considerations and research, and another side, namely making virus seeds which are then made into vaccines. Viruses that are classified as malignant are then announced at the WHO Collaborating Centers (WHO-CCs), which are laboratories that collaborate with WHO, and become reference laboratories. These reference laboratories are approved by Australia, Japan, UK and US. Then, this vaccine was then compared to oil, where he expressed his frustration that because Indonesia could not process crude oil it had to adopt ready-

### to-use oil.

Dangerous when Shipped to the USHis book also reviews the possibility of these viruses being developed into biological weapons, when they were sent to the Los Alamos National Laboratory, New Mexico, USA. This is because only a handful of scientists are allowed to research these derived DNA viruses. According to his book, Los Alamos is a laboratory for biological, chemical and nuclear weapons, so making vaccines or chemical weapons depends on the will and interest of the US Government. This is considered very dangerous. An internet search by Siti then revealed that this laboratory had been closed, and the virus had been sent to Bio Health Security (BHS). The results of his investigation revealed that many scientists were transferred from Los Alamos to BHS.So, his theory regarding the game of biological and chemical weapons, is still correct, then the name and location have changed. Negotiations were then initiated by Indonesia at the World Health Assembly (WHA), which demanded a fair and transparent transfer of viruses. This effort is supported by many other countries that are members of WHO. There are two main things that Siti takes issue with: Non-transparent distribution channels for sending viruses where she proposes standardizing naming and licensing from countries that have the virus to other countries where the virus is sent. WHO also considers WHO's pandemic warning escalation indicators to be weak and must be reviewed together. Escalating pandemic warnings affecting visits to the country, medical supplies, vaccines, masks, safety suits, all of which are big business. Siti gave the example of Mexico which is currently in a difficult position, but at the same time benefits large companies. However, this meeting was short because Minister Fadila was asked to return to Indonesia due to the outbreak, and many important discussions did not take place. Indonesia then began sending more samples of the virus based on international countries' conventions, that the Indonesian H5N1 bird flu virus is very dangerous for humans. Therefore, it is considered that it is very important to have a laboratory that has the opportunity to analyze it in detail, compare it with viruses similar to other worlds, and protect Indonesia and other countries from its spread. This was also questioned at the World Health Meeting, even though Indonesia has its own geographical area, and the spread of disease does not see national boundaries. US observer Scott McPherson, who is a US Government consultant, businessman and disaster preparation and recovery expert, stated in his blog that this issue was considered 'unreasonable' by the Indonesian Ministry of Health. Scott also reminded that Indonesia did not show any gratitude at all for what the US had done in Tangerang in eradicating Bird Flu in 2008. In addition, the communication of the bird flu virus does not need to be weaponized by humans to spread, because the birds themselves already do this. Meanwhile, another observer, Debora MacKenzie, a contributor to New Scientist, stated in her blog that Siti Fadilah's stance on the transparency of virus transfer was reasonable. Therefore, WHO responded with the development of a virus system, which went everywhere in the security system and scientific world. Total retaliation.

Discussions are also starting to be opened to discuss better procedures for sharing results. Meanwhile, biological weapons are a wrong conclusion. Debra added that between the two options of biological weapons or vaccines for profit, the second one actually shows the more likely scenario. US aid funds and NAMRU-2 Diplomatic Staff ImmunityIn October 2005, during his visit to Asian countries, the US Minister of Health and Human Services, Mike Leavitt, stated that he had allocated funds

amounting to 3.15 million US dollars to help deal with bird flu cases in Indonesia. The total assistance received by Indonesia was 25 million US dollars as initial assistance. The Japanese government also sent a team of experts, three diagnostic laboratory experts, who will start working and coordinate with the Indonesian Ministry of Health. Meanwhile, the Australian Government handed over 50 thousand Tamiflu, an anti-influenza virus drug produced by PT Roche and confirmed by the International Health Organization (WHO). Australia also stated that it would increase its assistance by 10 million Australian dollars to combat the threat of bird flu in Indonesia, as stated by Foreign Minister Alexander Downer in front of President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono at that time. Thus, the aid package to Indonesia to deal with bird flu will be 15.5 million Australian dollars. This is because they had previously promised aid of five million Australian dollars. However, according to Siti in her book, It's Time For The World To Change, Indonesia has never seen any related aid money from the US Government. During US Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice's visit to Indonesia in 2006, Siti asked where the aid funds used by the US were, which according to Siti, could be used for referral hospitals. Siti then realized that US aid had been given to NAMRU-2, arguing that this laboratory was conducting H5N1 research, and had coordinated with the Ministry of Health, and employed 175 employees, of which 19 were US citizens. In April 2008, a telegram sent by the US Embassy Jakarta to Washington, which was leaked by the Wikileaks website, reported on developments, in which there was news announcing that the Indonesian Government had closed NAMRU-2. The US Embassy in Jakarta is aware of this closure, and requested that Washington respond to the MoU that was sent, so that talks can continue. The decision whether to close NAMRU-2 or not was postponed in June 2008, because the Indonesian side had a different opinion. The Indonesian government, including representatives of political parties in the government, is divided between wanting to maintain and close it. Meanwhile, Indonesian Health Minister Siti Fadilah in her speech at the Namru-2 US Army Laboratory dialogue in the heart of Jakarta, where is the TNI in the same month, asked for people's support to close NAMRU-2. Sentences such as 'expelled, useless', and 'colonized', are used in the argument. Negotiations from the US side continued to demand demands because their staff while the Indonesian side refused to send virus samples.

In October 2008, Siti refused (again) to send virus samples to NAMRU-2 due to the issue of foreign intelligence, and the request that the US comply with Indonesia regarding the Material Transfer Agreement (virus). The accusation of intelligence activity was denied by the US Ambassador to Indonesia Cameron Hume, stating that everything that happened at NAMRU-2 was transparent. All research projects have been approved by the Ministry of Health, and the Indonesian Government has access to research being undertaken, so this accusation of non-transparency is strange. Hume also asked Indonesia to separate the issue of NAMRU-2 and the Material Transfer Agreement (virus) or also known as the Material Transfer Agreement, because these are two different things. In her best-selling book, It's time for the world to change, Dr. Siti Fadilah Supari wrote that after the H5N1 bird flu outbreak, which at one point was discovered in Indonesia. He also objected to the practice of mandatory local spread of the virus. samples with WHO-affiliated structures, which he said were not transparent and fair. Siti is not only concerned that the samples might end up in the hands of those responsible for making weapons of mass destruction. But also the fact that the vaccines produced by large pharmaceutical companies that use these samples will later be sold back to the

country of origin of the specimens for profit.

12. Bill Gates Monopoly Precedent: 2003 Sued by the USA. Have laundered their money and agenda through philanthropies and genetic engineering, through developing countries.

The 14 Grand Challenges in Global Health:

Improve childhood vaccines:

Create effective single-dose vaccines that can be used soon after birth.

Prepare vaccines that do not require refrigeration.

Develop needle-free delivery systems for vaccines.

Create new vaccines:

Devise reliable tests in model systems to evaluate live attenuated vaccines.

Solve how to design antigens for effective, protective immunity.

Learn which immunological responses provide protective immunity.

Control insects that transmit agents of disease:

Develop a genetic strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect population.

Develop a chemical strategy to deplete or incapacitate a disease-transmitting insect population.

Improve nutrition to promote health:

Create a full range of optimal, bioavailable nutrients in a single staple plant species. Improve drug treatment of infectious diseases:

Discover drugs and delivery systems that minimize the likelihood of drug resistant micro-organisms.

Cure latent and chronic infections:

Create therapies that can cure latent infections.

Create immunological methods that can cure chronic infections.

Measure disease and health status accurately and economically in developing countries:

Develop technologies that permit quantitative assessment of population health status.

Develop technologies that allow assessment of individuals for multiple conditions or pathogens at point-of-care.

The mission statement to have all citizens on an average of 4 prescribed drugs from cradle to grave.

13. Elon Musk's proliferation of radiological seasons of mass destruction.

It was just revealed that Elon Musk's company Twitter/X has been profiting off of user data by selling it to the government for mass surveillance.1

This is exactly the type of warrantless government surveillance we're trying to stop in the fight over Section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA), which is expected on the House Floor next week. Musk shouldn't be allowed to sell user data to the government for surveillance AND the government shouldn't be allowed to surveil without a warrant.

Congress must overhaul government spying powers immediately — and votes are imminent that will decide whether lawmakers will rubber-stamp mass surveillance on a UN/WHO directive.

Urge lawmakers before they vote — end mass surveillance, no more warrantless spying on Americans!

The spying powers in Section 702 are abused by the government to spy on Americans (collecting, using, and sharing our personal data, including online communications) without a warrant. And Elon Musk shouldn't be profiting off of our data and government surveillance.

Section 702 has been abused in ways that violate fundamental civil liberties and civil rights. FBI agents have abused this authority to search through millions of acquired communications for conversations, including thousands of protestors, racial justice activists, journalists, donors to political campaigns, and countless others. Meanwhile, more and more law enforcement and intelligence agencies are bypassing privacy rights by purchasing our sensitive location and online information from data brokers. Even though the Fourth Amendment protects our right to keep our information private, the government is collecting troves of our data without a warrant with the help of Elon Musk.

Votes on Section 702 are imminent – join us and take action now.

Peace and reconciliation is possible. There are 130 million forcibly displaced people in the world. It was 70 million ten years ago. This is all United Nations-orchestrated instability, with their American shadow directors.

The charges against George Soros in regard to the migrant and refugee crises and trafficking have remained only legendary, without being upheld in courts. But this Appeal must address the causes and assign liability and the decommissioning of the corporate machines that facilitate them. The wars would stop instantly, if the Federal Supreme Court decides to empower men and women by law in our mass conscientious objection to the violence and extortion. All people yearn to return to their homes, with resources to rebuild them, a chance of living a good life on the land of their ancestors, or supporting farmers to make it productive again, knowing they are safe and protected by a world-wide acknowledgement in law, of our bodily integrity, sovereignty, resonance and equanimity with each other.

## 15.

There are 36 pressing animal issues, from vivisection, to farming, to a continuum of product testing, to slaughter house practices including Halal, to save on anaesthetic, non compliance, cruelty, genetic engineering, breeding, intensive exploitation, byproducts. The introduction of animal-derived bank notes is relevant to this case as all settlements, compensation must not utilise or perpetuate animal enslavement. Gold, silver, clean un-fluoridated water ownership of the home people live in and land for organic horticulture food production. Freedom, recognition of sentience and self-determination for animals. Protection of pollinators and end the use of words like pork, beef, by-product, which remove the affinity between living organisms: In 2020, The Bank of England faced a legal challenge over its use of animal fats in banknotes, lawyers warned after a landmark ruling on Friday.

The British five, ten, twenty and fifty pound notes are made from plastic polymer and tallow, an animal fat derived from beef, mutton, and pork.

16.

Before Aukus partnership with between UK, USA and Australia, involving the purchase of 8 nuclear submarines, breaking an agreement with France and then signing a contract with the UK and US.

Complete Nuclear Disarmament CND's Bruce Kent, Buckey Boone, Linda Cataldo

Modica and Rob Forsyth spoke at UN:

Showing the breach of Nuclear Weapons Treaties, make the case for the incongruity of calling nuclear a deterrent, and the spending of 205 billion on Trident and underspending on National Health Service.

Bruce Kent is a British political activist and a laicised Roman Catholic priest. Active in the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (CND), he was the organisation's general secretary from 1980 to 1985 and its chair from 1987 to 1990. He now holds the honorary title of vice-president. Bruce Kent was the first speaker to address what the Treaty For The Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, that was signed by 122 countries and ratified on the 22nd January 2021 means and what can we do to encourage the UK to sign it.

He emphasized public awareness and the power of public opinion by juxtaposing the under funding of the NHS and the huge costs of the UK's nuclear weapons. He pointed out how many people are waiting for medical treatment and complaints about the underfunding of the NHS are commonplace but we never see people complain about the 205 billion for the Trident replacement for example, as people just don't know. He recommended having a simple poster or flier in the window of your house and car, to highlight the comparison with a statement "Fund the NHS. Stop Funding Nuclear Weapons", to link them in people's minds as a choice the government are making.

His second point was the massive risk of accident, miscalculation and the consequences of a nuclear strike. We were starkly reminded of the reality of the instruction or command to press the button to launch a nuclear missile. He told us about Stanislav Petrov, a Soviet commander general who, in 1983, received the command to send a nuclear bomb, as retaliation when Russia received faulty information that they were under nuclear attack. Petrov luckily refused but there continues to be a massive responsibility and vulnerability to catastrophic error, in information, communications and decision making.

The third point was the incongruence of calling UK nuclear weapons 'independent'. He likened it to the claim that your car was independent transport, even when you had to borrow wheels from a neighbour to actually use it.

## **Buckey Boone**

Appalachian Peace Education Centre (APEC) in Abingdon, Virginia.

Buckey started by telling us about the Appalachian Peace Education Centre (APEC) started in 1982 about the same time as our group, in reaction to the Nuclear Freeze Movement. (Initiatives calling for a bilateral freeze on production, deployment and testing of nuclear weapons. In 1982, nine states, 275 city governments, and 446 town hall meetings passed pro-freeze resolutions. Of the 18 million Americans who voted on the freeze policy that year, 60% voted in support of it).

Because their town is Abingdon, Virginia, they early on formed a sister relationship with us at the Abingdon Peace Group.

The group has worked since then and right up until today to eliminate nuclear weapons. However, early on, a year or two after they started, they expanded their

mission to address other peace issues including their government's military interventions in wars as well as justice issues. They established the first environmental organization in their region. We developed a project to welcome Mexican migrants to their area. They developed the first support group for LGBTQ persons in their region and work for racial justice in the area; starting the first Martin Luther King celebration, 35 years ago. Their major focus in this last year has been on racial justice, after the murder of George Floyd. They organized a vigil and a march in Abingdon and joined with other local groups that advocate with schools, police and prosecutors, to improve their policies around equity.

They also advocated for changes in State Law, mainly in Virginia, where they had a chance. Unlike, he thought, in Tennessee where his colleague Linda was speaking from, where there are not so many opportunities. In Virginia, though, they have seen major changes in laws around racial justice and equity.

Most exciting, he felt, was the abolition of the Death Penalty in the state that is just about to happen. Over the five or so Martin Luther King celebrations, some of the events were even better attended because they were on Zoom – named as a very slight plus to the Covid restrictions.

# Oakridge Environmental Peace Alliance

They have a neighbouring peace organization, the Oakridge environmental peace alliance. Oakridge is where atomic weapons were first built in World War II. OEPA has been witnessing against the building of nuclear weapons for over 20 years with weekly vigils. Three years ago, when the government restarted its manufacture of nuclear weapons and started to rebuild existing buildings in Oakridge, OEPA sued them over environmental issues and have been successful, so far, in halting construction.

The OEPA have been leaders in response to the new UN treaty: https://orepa.org/) offering resources https://orepa.org/nuclear-ban-treaty-entry-into-force-resources/ and a national meeting to talk of next steps after ratification of the treaty on Jan 22nd https://orepa.org/a-moment-or-a-movement/)

# Linda Cataldo Modica

Linda Modica was also one of the founding members of APEC, a member of the Sierra Club and of the United Religions. She spoke at the United Nations negotiations, in New York, on anti-nuclear weapons.

She started by describing her chance to talk at the UN during negotiations on the prohibition of nuclear weapons as a privilege. She said explained how she was there to bear witness to the contamination caused by local company Nuclear Fuel Services. They have a tangible connection to our work in the UK because they are the sole provider of nuclear fuel for navy submarines, which enable nuclear missiles to be deployed, in the marine prong of the nuclear triad.

She believes she had a responsibility to work towards complete nuclear disarmament and against the destruction of the environment by Nuclear Fuel Services, who have been proven to have polluted 95 river miles downstream of their plant. Tens of thousands of people rely on that river for drinking water so they have

got a lot of concern and support. This is not just local but also created a wider intent to get the United States to plan for disarmament and to abide by Article 6 of the Non Proliferation Treaty NPT. Recent actions have included a series of events for the 75th anniversary of Horishima and Nagasaki. Linda was honoured as the Hibakusha (the survivors of the blasts) made peace cranes. (The origami crane is a symbol of both peace and remembrance around the world and is closely associated with the story of the young victim of the Hiroshima blast, Sadako Sasaki).

For the anniversary, garlands of these peace cranes were sent to elected public officials in Tennessee and Virginia, along with a letter that urged their country to disarm. They mentioned, specifically, the modernization programme for nuclear weapons which will cost about 2 trillion dollars over the next 30 years. Nuclear modernization is being planned but there is no planning yet towards disarmament – but, Linda said, they're working on it!

## Sierra Club

Linda is working with the Sierra Club as she is a long-term Sierra Club activist and there was good news from them recently. The Sierra Club is the largest and most prestigious environmental organization with a million membership. They announced that they are going to put together a specialized expert team to work on the prohibition of nuclear weapons. This dedicated team will also work on the inividual projects that are currently being planned for new nuclear weapons, such as the 100 billion that is being planned for ICBMs. (Bulletin in chat)

One of the things she found startling was that one specialist said that many people consider American deterrents a success, pointing to the fact that no country has ever attacked the United States using nuclear weapons. She likened this to Muppets' philosophy (as in Kermit the Frog) when Ernie tells Burt that a banana in his ear has successfully protected him from alligator attack: It relies on the same faulty logic: The absence of the alligators doesn't prove the banana worked!

She believes that we're seeing a fracturing of the so called logic of deterrents and it is coming to be seen as madness.

She describes all this as her 'secular work', however Linda sees the faith communities' work as central too. A group she belongs to is the United Religions Initiative that has a global presence and a co-operation circle called Voices for a World Free of Nuclear Weapons.

Episcopal Bishop of the whole of California, Bishop E. Swing founded the Initiative on the request of the United Nations. So he was very well connected and Heads of State and lists of dignitaries are and have been members from the start, including Bill Perry a former defence secretary for example.

The United Religions Initiative are mobilizing those influential people from the moral standpoint, to push for disarmament, including doing a film and a vigil.

She congratulated us on the street demonstration that we had in the Town Square as a wonderful way to deliver public education and develop political will. She also recognized Ploughshares' actions, who fund organizations that promote peace,

security and work for nuclear disarmament. https://www.plough.com/en/topics/justice/nonviolence/blessing-the-bombs

She finished her talk with a powerful quote from the priest who blessed the bombing raids in 1945 as part of what he thought was a 'just war', but has dedicated the rest of his life to campaigning for non violence. Father George Zabelka said "We must all become prophets. I really mean that. We must all do something for peace. We must stop this insanity of worshiping the gods of metal. We must take a stand against evil and idolatry. This is our destiny at the most critical time of human history. But, it is also the greatest opportunity ever offered to any group of people in the history of our world to save our world from complete annihilation."

Linda had emphasized how we must use all our networks, plus individual action and the faith communities to move our governments and create the groundswell to make it happen – make them sign the treaty.

# Rob Forsyth

Rob Forsyth is a former Polaris Commander, who served in the submarine service from 1961 – 1981

including command of a nuclear-powered attack submarine and teaching the Submarine CO's Command Course.

When introducing himself, Rob described himself to those who didn't know him, as a bit of a 'cuckoo in the nest' as he had two years as second in command of a Polaris submarine including 2 periods in command. He described how he regrets it and has spent his latter years studying the very complex 'deterrents problem'. He said he is now, firmly, not a deterrer!

Rob has a website www.whytrident.uk that explains why he has concluded that the UK should give up its nuclear deterrent.

When he set out, he found out so many facts that he didn't know, which changed his mind that he tested them out on people. Dedington is a very blue, Conservative territory, full of very strong deterrers but many were surprised by the facts he gave them.

He recommends spreading some real information to counter the misinformation that the government puts out. As well as the website, he talks and writes articles for naval magazines.

You need to win the battle of politics. People vote with their feet and money moves feet. The one thing a politician responds to, is a loss of votes. If people think their money is being spent wrongly then they start to think otherwise about voting for a party. What you have to do is undermine people's confidence in the message that the government is putting out.

One fact that is good to start with is that the government say all the time that the Dreadnought will cost 32 billion, for delivery some time in the 2030s. So they've given themselves a 10-year window and added a 10 billion contingency, so it's actually 42 billion. There's another 20 billion at least on the warhead and all the ancillary work that we know from Trident. So, actually, 32 billion is actually 60-70

billion. That's the first fact people find interesting.

The second fact he poses to people as a question: Do you realize that the submarines - on patrol 7 days a week, 365 days a year, keeping you safe - have not been targeted for 25 years? There has been no nuclear threat. The missiles are at about 3 days notice to fire. This fact causes interest as nobody knows that. The information is on a government website but you have to know where to look. He continues; if they're at 3 days' notice to fire, why are they at sea continually? Why are they not operating like another naval ship, coming in to harbour and being deployed when there's a crisis?

He told us how a submarine has just come off patrol having had quite a serious Covid problem on board and having to isolate people. He dreads to think how they went about that. Before they sailed, they had landed a female sailor who had Covid. You have to say, what is the aim? There is no threat, missiles are stood down, no nuclear warfare in the offing. No possibility of an instant strike – as we were told would happen, back in the Cold War, though he didn't believe it. The submarine could easily have not gone back on patrol.

The third fact he is inclined to deliver is that we're developing a 20 billion pound programme for a new warhead, 90% of which will be American and only 10% will be British. So we are spending billions on setting up the Admiralty Weapons Establishment (The Admiralty Surface Weapons Establishment is just the defence research agency). This also reiterated Bruce Kent's point that UK nuclear weapons are not independent, very few of the parts are British made or owned.

Rob concludes that facts are quite a good way to undermine trust in the government and once you can start to undermine trust in the government, then perhaps they'll start to listen to the bigger picture. And if you tell people that both Kennedy and Mountbatten, who were both big-featuring people in the nuclear world, were convinced that actually nuclear weapons were not the way to go, that is of interest too. Rob believes that had Kennedy not died, he would have embarked on a disarmament programme. Mountbatten, as well, in his last years spoke openly in the House of Lords about how we should be disarming.

Finally, he suggested we turn to the open letter that ICAN generated. 56 statesmen, from 20 NATO countries, 2 NATO Secretary Generals, all are saying Sign the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, because the NPT has been in force for 58 years and not a single disarmament measure has taken place underneath it. (The NPT is the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, which entered into force in March 1970, seeking to inhibit the spread of nuclear weapons.

The NPT has become the 'big five's' way of lawfully carrying on with nuclear weapons as nobody can say it doesn't say they will get rid of them. They just have a way of not doing it. (The big five are the countries with big nuclear weapons power, including the UK) who have not yet signed the treaty.

In conclusion Rob finds that distributing simple facts like this carries quite a lot of weight.

Stop the AUKUS partnership, spending and proliferation of nuclear submarines in Asian waters.

Keep AI out of Nuclear Weapons Decisions - Report for the Indonesia Government on AUKUS, by Frances

"Unrecoverable Error"

It's hard to remember what the public used to be told about nuclear power. We knew nuclear reactors were dangerous because the processes of fission and fusion require extreme compression and extreme heat; temperatures twice as hot as the core of the sun. Sometimes nuclear power stations would "melt-down", releasing radioactive waste. We were told that nuclear waste never degrades. Hundreds of millions of cubic metres, of the toxic waste, sit in each country, including Indonesia, while ways to store it 'for longer than expected' are explored. Sometimes nuclear waste was piped to other countries, or dumped little-by-little into the sea. More recently, the nuclear industry were in negotiations with gas and oil companies to bury the waste in empty wells. In the past, most men and women associated nuclear power with war and inevitable mass destruction, by accident or by design. Then there was the danger of "a maniac" "pressing the button", detonating a nuclear bomb. We hoped leaders would know of the "nuclear winter" that would follow, where nothing will grow and so much radiation in the air would make our hair fall out, and quickly humans, along with the other animal and plant life would wither and die. People imagined that military personnel would wait nervously for the leader of their country to give the command to fire. We hoped the threat of nuclear war would only ever escalate following many months and years of peace negotiations, and efforts to find other resolutions. If we had thought about using nuclear weapons logically, we would have remembered that there is only ever a "4-minute warning". Four minutes is not enough time to ring

the President, or even discuss with a colleague, so whoever is on duty must rely on the notification from that computer system and follow protocol. Military protocol requires immediate retaliation.

This procedure, upon which the safety of the whole world rests, was eventually tested: A transmission came in, to an Early Warning data centre, that the US had launched six nuclear missiles on Russia. By great chance, a man by the name of Stanislav Petrov was on duty. Feeling the responsibility for the action he had to take, he recognised he still had a choice. "An erroneous retaliatory nuclear attack on the United States and its NATO allies could have wiped out half of the population". But what else did he have, in addition to the computer reports and protocol? He had the depth of his experience; his reasoning; his observations of the political landscape; his care for life and trust in his own inner authority. Petrov made "a judgement call" and decided the reports must be a false alarm. "An investigation later confirmed that the satellite warning system had indeed malfunctioned".

In the upcoming election debate, candidates should discuss their understanding and stance on commercial and military nuclear power and how they will lead with discernment and concern for the cost to life. The cost to life is not just if there's a war or disaster. The replacement Trident nuclear submarine for the UK cost the same as providing an upgraded National Health Service for free, for the whole population, for 45 years. Somehow the decision to finance the submarine instead of the National Health Service, got passed in their parliament.

Thankfully, President Joko Widodo already sent a clear message to the world that "the possession and use of nuclear weapons cannot be justified for any reason",

when he ratified the Treaty Prohibiting Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) in November 2023. But was Indonesia informed by its "Plenipotentiary ambassadors" abroad (These are delegates to foreign countries who have independent, executive powers to act on behalf of Indonesia) about the Arkus Partnership between the UK, US and Australia; to arm Australia with eight nuclear submarines? China have called the plan "a return to a Cold War mentality". France are calling it a "stab in the back", as a French company was going to manufacture the submarines and Australia had to pay France 555 million euro compensation, just to get out of the deal. With that level of international bad feeling about the Arkus partnership, only formed in 2021, ministerial candidates must ask whether the submarines could make Indonesia more of a military target, than act as a 'deterrent' - which is what some governments are calling nuclear weapons now - or serve on the Pandemic Preparedness fast-response supply chain to international health and security crises, where the UN say they would like to maximise the use of nuclear submarines.

Following recent agreements with the US and the upcoming WHO Pandemic Treaty, already signed, can Indonesia put the brakes on and say 'No' to nuclear weapons in Indonesian waters or the use of Indonesian resources to fuel and arm them? The submarines, like the other smart technologies are to use artificial intelligence extensively in their operation.

Gladiator Bangsa have also been considering, when did competent authorities, regulators and decision- makers start trusting technology and being digitally-assisted, more than trusting our own experience and knowledge and trusting each other?

Most people have sat in front of a computer screen for a lot longer than four minutes, in frustration and powerlessness, unable to even verify their own identity to access their own accounts. In the past, a computer screen would often read 'Unrecoverable Error". Imagine the artificial intelligence in these nuclear submarines, executing their programmed protocols without hesitation, while the Naval Commander frantically tries to get clearance to stop the ballistic missiles being fired. The computer may require a retina scan; facial recognition; a finger print, and may an OTP - a One Time Password. Picture all these being asked for at once in order to return the computer system to manual controls. Too late. "Unrecoverable error".

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Conflict of Interests Nuclear PDF slides - attached.

Professor Richard Claproth, Gladiator Bangsa, The WHO and the Armed Forces, implemented by a front provided by Save The Children Fund UK.

Professor Richard Claproth Why Indonesia Should Exit the WHO

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Pascal Najadi: The WEF is not eligible anymore for diplomatic immunity. I call on the Swiss authorities and security to arrest those people immediately.

Pascal Najadi and Dr Astrid Stuckelberger discuss the dark underbelly of global organizations headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

"Everything evil in the world related to democide unfortunately comes from Geneva," Najadi says. "You have WHO in Geneva, you have GAVI, then you have the WEF...that has diplomatic immunity.

"I, as a Swiss citizen right here, now declare that the WEF is not eligible anymore for diplomatic immunity. I call on the Swiss authorities and security to arrest those people immediately."

"Why? The WEF, WHO, GAVI, Big Pharma, Big Tech, and Bill Gates all advocated a global humanity injection by a bioweapon injecting nanolipids into 5.7 billion people. And we Swiss are hosting them. That's terrible. We cannot tolerate any entity that promotes poison to be injected into humanity. But you have done it. I'm the victim. I'm dying from it, and my mother, too. It's a democide and will be judged. It will be corrected in the name of humanity."

At the beginning of this year, Pascal Najadi, a retired banker from Switzerland filed criminal charges of Abuse of Office under Article 310 of the Swiss Criminal Code against Swiss President Alain Berset, who was also that country's former Minister of Health. To everyone's surprise, the Attorney General of Switzerland launched an investigation into the President – the first, of a sitting head of state over their "vaccine" policies – causing Berset to resign!

Pascal was born in Switzerland and his Swiss mother, Heidi Anderhub-Minger is the grandniece of Rudolf Minger, who was the President of Switzerland before World War II. Pascal's father, Hussain Najadi was the renowned Persian-Bahraini international banker and business developer who became a founding member of the European Management Forum, before he broke off with Klaus Schwab in 1987 and the Davos meeting was renamed the World Economic Forum.

Pascal says his father broke off with Klaus Schwab but he says that the early European Management Forum was a small gathering of no more than 100 people that was held at a 4-star hotel that he describes as "clever" and "benign". It was basically a schmoozefest for leaders from "emerging markets" mainly in Asia, where Hussain had founded banks to develop Middle Eastern capital. In 2013, Hussain was fatally shot in Kuala Lumpur, alongside his wife, who was seriously injured. Pascal

believes his father was assassinated for reporting corruption within Malaysia.

In the meantime, the World Economic Forum was taken over by the same group that is pushing Agenda 2030 at the UN, which Pascal calls "The end of humanity." Last February, Pascal said of the International Health Regulations, "Exit the WHO. If you can do that, that's the smartest thing to do. Just exit...It is a Fascist declaration."

# 18) A Text Book Case of Genocide ignored.

Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. Craig Mokhibe Resignation Letter - Peace

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Dear High Commissioner,

This will be my last official communication to you as Director of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

I write at a moment of great anguish for the world, including for many of our colleagues. Once again, we are seeing a genocide unfolding before our eyes, and the Organization that we serve appears powerless to stop it. As someone who has investigated human rights in Palestine since the 1980s, lived in Gaza as a UN human rights advisor in the 1990s, and carried out several human rights missions to the country before and since, this is deeply personal to me.

I also worked in these halls through the genocides against the Tutsis, Bosnian Muslims, the Yazidi, and the Rohingya. In each case, when the dust settled on the horrors that had been perpetrated against defenseless civilian populations, it became painfully clear that we had failed in our duty to meet the imperatives of prevention of mass atrocites, of protection of the vulnerable, and of accountability for perpetrators. And so it has been with successive waves of murder and persecution against the Palestinians throughout the entire life of the UN. High Commissioner, we are failing again.

As a human rights lawyer with more than three decades of experience in the field, I know well that the concept of genocide has often been subject to political abuse. But the current wholesale slaughter of the Palestinian people, rooted in an ethnonationalist settler colonial ideology, in continuation of decades of their systematic persecution and purging, based entirely upon their status as Arabs, and coupled with explicit statements of intent by leaders in the Israeli government and military, leaves no room for doubt or debate. In Gaza, civilian homes, schools, churches, mosques, and medical institutions are wantonly attacked as thousands of civilians are massacred. In the West Bank, including occupied Jerusalem, homes are seized and reassigned based entirely on race, and violent settler pogroms are accompanied by Israeli military units. Across the land, Apartheid rules.

This is a text-book case of genocide. The European, ethno-nationalist, settler colonial project in Palestine has entered its final phase, toward the expedited destruction of the last remnants of indigenous Palestinian life in Palestine. What's

more, the governments of the United States, the United Kingdom, and much of Europe, are wholly complicit in the horrific assault. Not only are these governments refusing to meet their treaty obligations "to ensure respect" for the Geneva Conventions, but they are in fact actively arming the assault, providing economic and intelligence support, and giving political and diplomatic cover for Israel's atrocities.

Volker Turk, High Commissioner for Human Rights Palais Wilson, Geneva Craig Mokhiber resignation letter Contributed by ISHMAEL DARO (Democracy Now!)

Craig Mokhibe - Human Rights Lawyer continues:

In concert with this, western corporate media, increasingly captured and state-adjacent, are in open breach of Article 20 of the ICCPR, continuously dehumanizing Palestinians to facilitate the genocide, and broadcasting propaganda for war and advocacy of national, racial, or religious hatred that constitutes incitement to discrimination, hostility, and violence. US-based social media companies are suppressing the voices of human rights defenders while amplifying pro-Israel propaganda. Israel lobby online-trolls and GONGOS are harassing and smearing human rights defenders, and western universities and employers are collaborating with them to punish those who dare to speak out against the atrocities. In the wake of this genocide, there must be an accounting for these actors as well, just as there was for radio Milles Collines in Rwanda.

In such circumstances, the demands on our organization for principled and effective action are greater than ever. But we have not met the challenge. The protective enforcement power Security Council has again been blocked by US intransigence, the SG is under assault for the mildest of protestations, and our human rights mechanisms are under sustained slanderous attack by an organized, online impunity network. Decades of distraction by the illusory and largely disingenuous promises of Oslo have diverted the Organization from its core duty to defend international law, international human rights, and the Charter itself. The mantra of the "two-state solution" has become an open joke in the corridors of the UN, both for its utter impossibility in fact, and for its total failure to account for the inalienable human rights of the Palestinian people. The so-called "Quartet" has become nothing more than a fig leaf for inaction and for subservience to a brutal status quo. The (US-scripted) deference to "agreements between the parties themselves" (in place of international law) was always a transparent slight-of-hand, designed to reinforce the power of Israel over the rights of the occupied and dispossessed Palestinians.

High Commissioner, I came to this Organization first in the 1980s, because I found in it a principled, norm- based institution that was squarely on the side of human rights, including in cases where the powerful US, UK, and Europe were not on our side. While my own government, its subsidiarity institutions, and much of the US media were still supporting or justifying South African apartheid, Israeli oppression, and Central American death squads, the UN was standing up for the oppressed peoples of those lands. We had international law on our side. We had human rights on our side. We had principle on our side. Our authority was rooted in our integrity. But no more.

In recent decades, key parts of the UN have surrendered to the power of the US, and to fear of the Israel Lobby, to abandon these principles, and to retreat from international law itself. We have lost a lot in this abandonment, not least our own global credibility. But the Palestinian people have sustained the biggest losses as a result of our failures. It is a stunning historic irony that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was adopted in the same year that the Nakba was perpetrated against the Palestinian people. As we commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the UDHR, we would do well to abandon the old cliché that the UDHR was born out of the atrocities that proceeded it, and to admit that it was born alongside one of the most atrocious genocides of the 20th Century, that of the destruction of Palestine. In some sense, the framers were promising human rights to everyone, except the Palestinian people. And let us remember as well, that the UN itself carries the original sin of helping to facilitate the dispossession of the Palestinian people by ratifying the European settler colonial project that seized Palestinian land and turned it over to the colonists. We have much for which to atone.

But the path to atonement is clear. We have much to learn from the principled stance taken in cities around the world in recent days, as masses of people stand up against the genocide, even at risk of beatings and arrest. Palestinians and their allies, human rights defenders of every stripe, Christian and Muslim organizations, and progressive Jewish voices saying "not in our name", are all leading the way. All we have to do is to follow them.

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Yesterday, just a few blocks from here, New York's Grand Central Station was completely taken over by thousands of Jewish human rights defenders standing in solidarity with the Palestinian people and demanding an end to Israeli tyranny (many risking arrest, in the process). In doing so, they stripped away in an instant the Israeli hasbara propaganda point (and old antisemitic trope) that Israel somehow represents the Jewish people. It does not. And, as such, Israel is solely responsible for its crimes. On this point, it bears repeating, in spite of Israel lobby smears to the contrary, that criticism of Israel's human rights violations is not antisemitic, any more than criticism of Saudi violations is Islamophobic, criticism of Myanmar violations is anti-Buddhist, or criticism of Indian violations is anti-Hindu. When they seek to silence us with smears, we must raise our voice, not lower it. I trust you will agree, High Commissioner, that this is what speaking truth to power is all about. But I also find hope in those parts of the UN that have refused to compromise the Organization's human rights principles in spite of enormous pressures to do so. Our independent special rapporteurs, commissions of enquiry, and treaty body experts, alongside most of our staff, have continued to stand up for the human rights of the Palestinian people, even as other parts of the UN (even at the highest levels) have shamefully bowed their heads to power. As the custodians of the human rights norms and standards, OHCHR has a particular duty to defend those standards. Our job, I believe, is to make our voice heard, from the Secretary- General to the newest UN recruit, and horizontally across the wider UN system, insisting that the human rights of the Palestinian people are not up for debate, negotiation, or compromise anywhere under the blue flag. What, then, would a UN-norm-based position look like? For what would we work if we were true to our rhetorical admonitions about human rights and equality for all, accountability for perpetrators, redress for victims,

protection of the vulnerable, and empowerment for rights-holders, all under the rule of law? The answer, I believe, is simple—if we have the clarity to see beyond the propagandistic smokescreens that distort the vision of justice to which we are sworn, the courage to abandon fear and deference to powerful states, and the will to truly take up the banner of human rights and peace. To be sure, this is a long-term project and a steep climb. But we must begin now or surrender to unspeakable horror. I see ten essential points:

Legitimate action: First, we in the UN must abandon the failed (and largely disingenuous) Oslo paradigm, its illusory two-state solution, its impotent and complicit Quartet, and its subjugation of international law to the dictates of presumed political expediency. Our positions must be unapologetically based on international human rights and international law.

Clarity of Vision: We must stop the pretense that this is simply a conflict over land or religion between two warring parties and admit the reality of the situation in which a disproportionately powerful state is colonizing, persecuting, and dispossessing an indigenous population on the basis of their ethnicity.

One State based on human rights: We must support the establishment of a single, democratic, secular state in all of historic Palestine, with equal rights for Christians, Muslims, and Jews, and, therefore, the dismantling of the deeply racist, settler-colonial project and an end to apartheid across the land.

Fighting Apartheid: We must redirect all UN efforts and resources to the struggle against apartheid, just as we did for South Africa in the 1970s, 80s, and early 90s. Return and Compensation: We must reaffirm and insist on the right to return and full compensation for all Palestinians and their families currently living in the occupied territories, in Lebanon, Jordan, Syria, and in the diaspora across the globe.

Truth and Justice: We must call for a transitional justice process, making full use of decades of accumulated UN investigations, enquiries, and reports, to document the truth, and to ensure accountability for all perpetrators, redress for all victims, and remedies for documented injustices.

Protection: We must press for the deployment of a well-resourced and strongly mandated UN protection force with a sustained mandate to protect civilians from the river to the sea.

Disarmament: We must advocate for the removal and destruction of Israel's massive stockpiles of nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons, lest the conflict lead to the total destruction of the region and, possibly, beyond.

Mediation: We must recognize that the US and other western powers are in fact not credible mediators, but rather actual parties to the conflict who are complicit with Israel in the violation of Palestinian rights, and we must engage them as such.

Solidarity: We must open our doors (and the doors of the SG) wide to the legions of Palestinian, Israeli, Jewish, Muslim, and Christian human rights defenders who are standing in solidarity with the people of Palestine and their human rights and stop the unconstrained flow of Israel lobbyists to the offices of UN leaders, where they

advocate for continued war, persecution, apartheid, and impunity, and smear our human rights defenders for their principled defense of Palestinian rights.

This will take years to achieve, and western powers will fight us every step of the way, so we must be steadfast. In the immediate term, we must work for an immediate ceasefire and an end to the longstanding siege on Gaza, stand up against the ethnic cleansing of Gaza, Jerusalem, and the West Bank (and elsewhere), document the genocidal assault in Gaza, help to bring massive humanitarian aid and reconstruction to the Palestinians, take care of our traumatized colleagues and their families, and fight like hell for a principled approach in the UN's political offices.

The UN's failure in Palestine thus far is not a reason for us to withdraw. Rather it should give us the courage to abandon the failed paradigm of the past, and fully embrace a more principled course. Let us, as OHCHR, boldly and proudly join the anti-apartheid movement that is growing all around the world, adding our logo to the banner of equality and human rights for the Palestinian people. The world is watching. We will all be accountable for where we stood at this crucial moment in history. Let us stand on the side of justice. I thank you, High Commissioner, Volker, for hearing this final appeal from my desk. I will leave the Office in a few days for the last time, after more than three decades of service. But please do not hesitate to reach out if I can be of assistance in the future. Sincerely, Craig Mokhiber Senate Opposition to WHO moving from advisory agency to governing body. The Fundamental Transformation of the W.H.O.

From Health Advisor to Global Dictator

Wednesday, November 8th 2023 Capitol Visitors Briefing for Senators, Representatives and staff on what the WHO is doing to transition from an advisory agency to a governing body. Our organizations are united in an effort to educate elected officials and the public about the World Health Organization's proposed pandemic treaty and International Health Regulation amendments in order to work together to retain our national sovereignty over issues relating to health and other matters.

## **SPEAKERS**

- Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI)
- The Honorable Michele Bachman, Dean, Robertson School of Government, Regent University
- Reggie Littlejohn, Esq., President of Women's Rights Without Frontiers
- Dr. Meryl Nass, M.D., Founder, Door to Freedom; Scientific Adviser, Children's Health Defense
- Dr. David Bell, M.D., Ph.D., Sr Scholar at Brownstone Institute; fmr medical officer and scientist at the WHO
- Dr. Kat Lindley, Co-founder, Global Health Project
- Valerie Borek, Esq., Associate Director and Lead Policy Analyst for Stand for Health Freedom
- Kristen Ullman, Esq., President, Eagle Forum
- Catherine Austin Fitts, Fmr Assistant Secretary of Housing & Urban Development, Founder, Solari, Inc.

### MODERATOR

- Frank Gaffney, Founder and Executive Chairman, Center for Security Policy
- 19. Estonia reject the COP28 financing, as well as IHR Amendments and Treaty

Estonian Parliament Rejects the financing of the WHO, as well as their Amendments to the International health Regulations and the International Agreement on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response

On November 22nd, 2023, eleven members of the Estonian Parliament sent a letter to the WHO Director General providing notification of Estonia's rejection of the International Health Regulation (2005) Amendments, as well as the International Agreement on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response. They also noted they rejected changes to financing of the WHO. They note that the full Estonian Parliament did not authorize such negotiations, as required by Estonian law.

### 20.

Lawyer Eddie Hobbs,: the Treaty cannot be accepted in Ireland.

Crotty personally took the government to court and ruled that cooperation on foreign policy could not be codified into law as it would amount to an unconstitutional delegation of the state's external sovereignty

Crotty v. An Taoiseach was a landmark 1987 decision of the Irish Supreme Court which found that Ireland could not ratify the Single European Act unless the Irish Constitution was first changed to permit its ratification. The case, taken by Raymond Crotty formally against the Taoiseach (then Garret FitzGerald), directly led to the Tenth Amendment of the Constitution of Ireland (which authorised the ratification of the Single Act) and established that significant changes to European Union treaties required an amendment to the Irish constitution before they could be ratified by Ireland. As a consequence, Ireland, uniquely in the EU, requires a plebiscite for every new, or substantive change to a, European Union Treaty.

The substantive issues in the case revolved around the interpretation of Part III of the Single European Act which codified cooperation on foreign policy matters between the governments of the then twelve member states of the European Economic Community – referred to as European Political Cooperation – into an international agreement. The majority of the Court ruled that if the state ratified Part III, it would amount to an unconstitutional delegation of the state's external sovereignty. The dissenting judges argued that the provisions only constituted a requirement to listen and consult.

### 21.

Vaccine deaths and fraudulent misrepresentation

In a ruling under the UK's code of conduct Pfizer has been found GUILTY of 'bringing discredit to the pharmaceutical industry' in the UK, the most serious breach there is under the UK Code of Practice rules.

A ruling by the UK's @PMCPAUK ound pfizer had breached the UK's regulatory code of conduct FIVE times including misleading the public about the safety and efficacy of its Covid vaccine AND unlawfully promoting an unlicensed medicine. This comes after Pfizer was found GUILTY in November 2022 of misleading UK parents over the safety of the Covid vaccine for kids.

### 22.

Cases against Artificial Intelligence and Patents

Bill Gates AI technology secretly smuggled into the billions of mosquitoes engineered to carry the Wolbachia Bacteria IP Technology. The capacity is unknown but at very least can transmit data as to where the mosquitoes are, who they bite and can receive instructions too, including electrical pulse-relayed genetic

modification and directions, activations, and a kill switch, all operated through the 5G network and smart infrastructure. Outside Indonesia's control. All also mapped the deployment of the eggs and was used to produce a risk assessment that concluded negligible risk for over 50 risks that were all guaranteed to be a high risk and guaranteed to happen.

Artificial Intelligence is a military technology, that follows a retaliatory protocol. Following requests for due diligence, before the release of 200 million vectors carrying Wolbachia IP Technology coupled with Microsoft CNN AI ,in Indonesia, we achieved a postponement on the WHO-approved release. That same night an Indonesian maternity Hospital, in Gaza was bombed and destroyed. Then I discovered that the

https://www.jpost.com/business-and-innovation/tech-and-start-ups/article-760280 Al-Driven Conflict.

Through the upcoming WHO's Pandemic Treaty, and Sustainability treaties, Microsoft AI will seize control of all data and exercise a heinous credit-scoring surveillance but mainly bring Bill Gates' patents to fruition. Exclusive rights to the Computerisation of the Human Body and all energy derived from it. All the patents and licenses have to be revoked and the technologies contained and destroyed or decommissioned.

Microsoft laid off their entire Ethics team, employed to ensure good practice in the implementation of artificial intelligence.. over 10,000 were sacked and not replaced. Microsoft has offered to pay all legal costs arising for their Artificial Intelligence customers. Microsoft will protect their customers from being sued however evidenced and extensive the infringement is.

Artificial intelligence employed to generate thousands of targets, by using data gathered from people's social media interests.

- 1. President Obama changed strike targets from actual terrorist targets to 'signature groups', allowing any man woman or child with sympathy for the occupied nation or having lost a friend in the violence to become a legitimate target themselves.
- 2. Drones were brought to Djbouti in 2010 for stirkes in the Yemen.

Obama's covert drone war in numbers: ten times more strikes than Bush 563 rather than 57 in whole Bush term.

23.

South African Cases:

a) Clause in Pfizer government contracts - some countries had to sign it and some were able to refuse, where guarantee was required: Natural resources, reserve banks and military bases.

South African War Crimes charges: on UK, US and Israel. Charges filed by an expolicemen in Great Britain and Childrens Health Defence Africa Lawyers.

b) Analysis of The Sex Matters Bill as Crucial For Peace by Frances sent March 2024

"Please support the Bill forbidding the social transitioning in school of children from boys to girls and girls to boys. The Bill thankfully further demands that no child is given puberty blockers or hormonal treatment (irreversible or otherwise-promoted) or surgery to change their sex. You can support the Bill by joining the debate tomorrow. I have also sent this to the Mayor of Abingdon, a member of Mayors for Peace. This

is because the sterilzing of children, by a foreign entity, however it is achieved, is a crime. (https://infertilitymovie.org/ This is how they're doing it in Africa. (The Diabolical Agenda case of sterilising a whole population with vaccines administered as 'Tetanus' vaccines.

Social and Genetic Engineering. Allowing the social and genetic engineering of children is part of a wider war against men and women. Many children experience mortification and shame about their bodies and question the value of who they are, as they are, when they go through puberty and beyond. That is an emotional and mental response to failures of our education and society. We would go as far as to say that they were not even failures, but a premeditated and protracted attack on humanity, deployed by foreign and novel technologies. Please explain at the debate that it is a crime to exploit this vulnerable age group by validating the self-rejection of the healthy body they are born with.

Elon Musk (AI, 5G/6G Satellite Permit)

"Teach a people to hate themselves and their history and they are defenceless against mind viruses. They can be reprogrammed with ease."

To represent peaceful men and women in your constituency please raise the context of this bill, where the rollout of MMWave and 5G towers (and Elon Musk's satellite capacity) with an artificial intelligence interface is happening, without public consultation, consent or even planning permission. We do not consent. The capacity of this wifi technology and so-called smart infrastructure is to further 'groom' the next generation for exploitation. It is a radiological weapon of mass destruction. The internet triggers a permanent adrenalin response and intentionally spreads fear and a narrative devoid of emotional intelligence and truth. Following a Freedom of Information request into the safety of the 5G infrastructure and shortwave frequency before the rollout, I received only one sentence. "WHO says it's safe"

Microsoft's Bill Gates is implicated in an International Criminal Court Proceedings, with thousands of cases against him and his fraudulent misrepresentation as 'philanthropic'. His original business was The Institute for Population Control, which makes the vector and vaccine program adverse events premeditated harms.

The neurotoxin fluoridation also must not be allowed into the water supply in Great Britain. It is an industrial waste product and must be stopped in areas where it has already been put in drinking water, and is already poisoning people and dumbing them down, to stages 1,2, and 3 dementia.

https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/epa-final-witnesses-neurotoxicity-fluoride-trial/

Men and women stand above public servants, government and obviously above corporations, in Constitutonal law and we ask you to make sure we and our bodily integrity are not undermined further.

The updated version of the WHO and UN Treaties were not shared but leaked to the public. You may not have time to read them, and they are still being amended and so remain a 'moving target' in terms of meaningful analysis. You will have to trust these cases for appeal that they will bring carnage if nations aquiesce, via their "silent process". In fact, nations haven't kept silent at all but still the threats of profitable

protracted crises (Declarations of pandemics that never end), lockdowns, forced medical procedures and surveillance down to biological data collection and replication, could still be written into legally binding agreements, unless we speak up and make the UN and WHO step down.

c) This was my communication with the South African firm of lawyers who have filed charges against the UK, US and Israel governments, for War Crimes. In retaliation, the US have put sanctions on South Africa for filing these charges. All these hostile actions can still be defused and refused but not if the WHO come into power in May.

The WHO will also put sanctions on member states if they do not comply with the agreement in terms of reporting on their surveillance of the people, and the purchase, mandating and administering of drugs.

Most people know that the reported Hammas attacks were likely a psychological operation again, using AI to generate an event that would justify the involvement of US and UK in the bombardment of Palestine.

The men and women of Great Britain do not agree or consent to the actions of the Corporation of the United Kingdom on any front and intend for our children to grow up with freedom of choice and sovereignty.

The AI machine directing Israel's bombing spree in Gaza

The Israeli army has marked tens of thousands of Gazans as suspects for assassination, using an AI targeting system with little human oversight and a permissive policy for casualties, In 2021, a book titled "The Human-Machine Team: How to Create Synergy Between Human and Artificial Intelligence That Will Revolutionize Our World" was released in English under the pen name "Brigadier General Y.S." In it, the author — a man who we confirmed to be the current commander of the elite Israeli intelligence unit 8200 — makes the case for designing a special machine that could rapidly process massive amounts of data to generate thousands of potential "targets" for military strikes in the heat of a war. Such technology, he writes, would resolve what he described as a "human bottleneck for both locating the new targets and decision-making to approve the targets."

From: Franc Micklem

To: admin@wvratt.co.za <admin@wvratt.co.za The Law Firm That Will Give Evidence on War Crimes.

Sent: Thursday, 7 March 2024 at 19:30:54 GMT

Subject: For Attn: Cherise. Please add the extraction of Palestine's natural resources, bioweapons, and use of AI as a retaliatory military protocol

Thank you for your time on the telephone today and for addressing the war crimes. I am grateful for this opportunity to add

- 1) the use of artificial Intelligence, a military technology weaponized by its retaliation protocol.
- 2) the extraction of Palestine's natural gas and other resources and
- 3) the contravening of the Non proliferation of weapons of mass destruction treaty to the crimes and, I'm afraid,
- 4) Please add the United Nations to the parties committing these war crimes.

We will need four at least of the men who have made Protected Disclosures who are

in custody and not at all protected, to give evidence and win their freedom.

Julian Assange was the first to reveal the UN's perpetuation of conflict.

Richard Boyle who worked towards the end of Usury and could confirm malpractice in the WEF.

David McBride who blew the whistle on War Crimes in Afghanistan, confirmed by the Brereton Report.

Reiner Fuellmich who was imprisoned as he took the pharmaceutical industry and governments to court for genocide during the pandemic.

The precedent in law we have is the woman I volunteer for, previous Health Minister of Indonesia who is the only political leader we have in the world, I believe, who has been to prison for trying to avoid a biological disaster. The only person who has been able to shut down a military laboratory, on biosafety and corruption grounds. She also hid a deadly pathogen from the WHO and refused to share samples. It was gone when got out of prison. When she was finally able to track it down, it was in Ukraine, where there are reports of terrible experiments and noncompliance in American-funded military laboratories there.

https://www-suarapemredkalbar-com.translate.goog/read/nasional/30052022/biolab-as-namru-2-yang-dilawan-siti-fadilah-menkes-yang-

dipenjarakan?\_x\_tr\_sl=id&\_x\_tr\_tl=en&\_x\_tr\_hl=en&\_x\_tr\_pto=wapp

This is the problem of Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC) it is justified and pulbily funded on health terms but then patented for vaccine profits and the findings withheld on defence grounds. I will share a bioweapons paper, that was drafted in 2021. It talks about non-invasive gene therapy. This relates to Elon Musk's 180 day experimental permit to use his satellites for undisclosed purposes but in connection with T Mobile devices and 5 and 6G smart infrastructure and networks to collect and transmit data and degradation of human health, without any regulatory oversight.

157 of 194 UN Member states have lodged formal reservations, rejections, and some even withdrawn formally from the WHO Treaty and the IHR Amendments. All the African states have been used for biological experiments on whole communities of children. I attach my presentation on the recent live GMO plasmodium parasite-Malaria 'vaccines' being administered to children.

Please don't overlook the biological and radiological war crimes as they are a big contender.

First notice served on WHO for Pandemic Preparedness

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/questions-to-ask-before-you-sign-treaty.html

Second notice served on WHO for Retaliatory Protocol

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/whos-thin-veneer-of-health-strategy.html

UN, WHO, US Military, US Philantrhopic Funding Gates and Musk, Weapons of Mass Destruction.

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2024/01/the-un-both-want-and-dont-want-nuclear.html

Analysis of WHO and Military Relations

https://healingbyfranc.blogspot.com/2023/12/analysis-of-who-and-military-relations.html

Assault on the Kingdom of Hawai: Scorch of Maui attributed to Musk's Space X

army.

The only way to decontaminate a gene edited microbes and gene drives outside a laboratory is to scorch the land.

Attached: EPA Testimony from speaker for national security expert from Hawai Unites.

Bioweapons are Offensive and Defensive -

https://live.childrenshealthdefense.org/chd-tv/shows/good-morning-chd/mosquito-bio-warfare--who-desperation-grows/

This is me being interviewed by Children's Health Defense Africa

https://www.freedomalliancesa.org/wp-

content/uploads/2023/12/4\_5782709465862116422.pdf

Unxploited gas reserves in Palestine

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Energy\_in\_the\_State\_of\_Palestine#:~:text=Palestine%2 0produces%20no%20oil%20or,Corporation%20(IEC)%20for%20electricity.

United Nations double agents. Herding women and children into schools for sanctuary but then informing Israel, since 2010

An email I wrote in 2010 describing how the UN had placed Palestinian women and children in schools for sanctuary but then notified Israeli who obliterated them with two scatterbombs - weapons on trial from the US - where the shards reignited when they entered the body:

Thu February 4, 2010 at 11:13

From: fmicklem8@yahoo.co.uk

To: bmicklem@googlemail.com

The exhibition clearly showed the consequences of the attack on Gaza last year.

The first half consisted of striking cell phone photos from

many people in schoolyards with hundreds of phosphorous rays landing everywhere.

The second half was an exhibition of drawings made by surviving children as part of a project aimed at remedying the mental trauma suffered.

Gaza was bombed from December 27, 2008 to January 18, 2009. The UN then offered their schools as refuge to the Palestinians but the UN

informed the Israelis. This made schools a target and hundreds of children and entire families were killed. Eighteen schools were fully

destroyed, two hundred and fifty schools bombed.

The two types of bombs used were both developed by the United States and given to Israel for testing.

White phosphorus bombs rained down on large areas, burning whatever they landed on. New technology adding gel to the composition of the bombs meant that they remained lit and burned people as they tried to escape. Phosphorus fallout also reignites, making the place unsafe for days. Anyway, there was nowhere to go - the entire area is only 7 miles by 22 miles.

The second type of bomb has been described as genotoxic. Thousands of toxic metal rods break off and remain in the body undetected. They are invisible to the naked eye

cannot be removed. Their toxicity will cause cancer and cancer in the next generation.

The drawings showed more destruction. Several showed bulldozers destroying apartments full of people. Many showed that the attack was carried out by machines rather than soldiers. Drones were used - remotely controlled bombers, operated from the base camp. The observations written alongside these images included a question aimed at children. "Should people be allowed to kill real people with a video game?

Some school groups were also present

at the exhibition, with one of them drawing pictures in response to the images in the exhibition. An older foreign group studied the exhibits. Some of our fellow Fas Lane protesters had put together the exhibit with a man who had worked with Palestinian children for years, originally trying to create a soccer team and program exchange with Great Britain. He was also there in March last year to carry out the art therapy project with the young survivors. All photos were both beautiful and horrible. There was no hatred but a lot of blood, tears, bombs, houses destroyed and symbols of Gaza as a whole destroyed.

Since the exhibition, I have heard on the radio that a British brigadier had been reprimanded for his role in the tragedy, linked to the bombing of a UN ship. warehouse. It was said only last week that the Israelis had finally admitted to the use of white phosphorous bombs. We fear that the the bombings will have marked another generation of fear and hatred. From the photos it looked like fear and grief, yes, but hatred, no. Perhaps this is something that will follow though. Love Frances

Netanyahu described his relationship with Microsoft as a marriage made in heaven and here there is discussed the uses including biological of AI. Bear in mind, Bill Gates holds a patent for exclusive rights to generate energy by computerizing the human body.

https://www.jpost.com/business-and-innovation/tech-and-start-ups/article-760280 "For example, researchers harnessed drug-development AI last year to generate 40,000 potentially deadly molecules, some closely resembling VX, the most potent nerve agent ever developed.

The reason I think we can achieve world peace and a restoration of nature to its balance state of organic productivity, is because all the current leaders have to step down. If redress and compensateion to men and women is possible, then it can be in the jurisdiction of land and soil, to a sovereign bank.

Indonesia is known as the burning bridge and is earmarked for a remote battle ground between the US and Russia. US is winning on most accounts by being welcomed in with its smart cities and data-collecting surveillance control mechanism, while pretending to co-chair a working group with Indonesia. The WHO has not responded to one of the withdrawals or rejections openly yet but has shown it's anger at Russia, Iran, Palestine, Brazil , Philippines, and Africa for their reservations and questioning of the legitimacy of the IHR and Treaties by strikes and undeclared releases.

The retaliation against Indonesia after we got the mass mosquito release postponed in November 2023

https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2023/11/25/gazas-indonesian-hospital-in-ruins-

after-israeli-raid-days-long-

siege#:~:text=Nurses%20recall%20horror%20of%20Israeli,refused%20to%20leave %20patients%20behind.&text=The%20Indonesian%20Hospital%2C%20one%20of,it %20may%20never%20open%20again.

- d) Congratulations of South Africa being the first African Country to host a debate about the WHO Treaty. Please do your best as the crimes against humanity are unspeakable at this stage,
- 24. Thailand: Doctors file a case of concealment of data rather than investigate novel regimens.

Thai Medical Experts Issue 7-Point Statement Concerning Long COVID & Vax Injuries, Point to Public Health Concealment of Data January 17 2024

In what can be described as a medical bombshell revelation--well-respected academic medical experts in Thailand employed at the nation's number one academic medical center and a separate respected research university -- raise the alarm about the implications of both long COVID and COVID-19 vaccination-related injury (long VAX) via a seven-point statement. Of serious concern are the implications of the observations and data from a study pointing to disturbing observations of cardiorespiratory, neuropsychiatric, neuromuscular and proinflammatory conditions linked to both instances of long COVID-19 and symptoms arising from COVID-19 countermeasures (vaccines). Ominously, the statement's authors have gone on the record that the government continues to conceal the adverse impacts of the COVID-19 vaccines. With the recently announced statement, the authors also announce a research collaboration between Chulalongkorn University and Rangsit University College of Oriental Medicine, the formation of a network to collect, collate and study patient data linked to long COVID and long Vax. The goal, to better understand the underlying unfolding medical problems, leveraging existing medical treatments, investigate novel regimens and even embrace alternative courses, such as Traditional Chinese and Traditional Thai medicine.

A highly regarded neurologist-scientist, Prof Dr Thiravat Hemachudha, director of the Thai Red Cross Emerging Infectious Diseases Health Science Centre at Chulalongkorn University, among other accomplishments establishing a World Health Organization research unit at a major Thai hospital, along with Panthep Puapongphan, dean of Rangsit University's College of Oriental Medicine, and a psychiatrist on the Chulalongkorn University Faculty of Medicine Dr. Atapol Sughondhabirom issued an ominous joint statement—a call to action to healthcare professionals. Their concern? The accumulation of their observations, manifestation of hidden disease, weakened immunity as potential pathway to neurological disorders and even cancer as well as shining light on nefarious efforts to conceal public health data as to the true volume of people across Thailand facing health issues linked to either long COVID or the COVID-19 vaccines.

In this case, the WHO's own Constitution says that Amendments must be circulated at least 4 months before voting. And the 80 pages of the International Health Amendments giving "aggregious powers to force vaccinations, force medical procedures, force lockdowns and border closures and allow detention without due process", are still being worked out, FOI 4941 revealed.

25. "Banking is slightly illegal," says world-renowned economist Richard Werner, who is leading the charge against CBDCs. In this episode of "The Glenn Beck Podcast," Richard teaches Glenn that "banks don't take deposits, and banks don't lend money." That begs the question, "What do banks actually do?" This discussion may make you realize that all you think you know about money is wrong. That's not all we don't know about the economy. We also have no clue which banks make up the Federal Reserve, who created Bitcoin, or the real relationship between inflation and interest rates. But we do know that COVID-19 revealed a global concentration of power and probably paved the way for the tool dictators of old could have only dreamt of: CBDC. Before the appeal of Universal Basic Income lures you into implanting a chip under your skin, it may be time to consider whether or not America should follow the China-inspired path to one central bank. Perhaps, it's time to consider what Glenn says about the central planners of our economy: "You're in Vegas, and the house always wins."

20th April 2024 Supplementary Evidence Submission to the Court regarding the Jurisdiction and Patents.

This notice is in relation to count 15 in the application for appeal: The exploitation of animals and use of so-called animal "by-products":

I am grateful to the honourable court for considering the appeal entered against the men and women acting as directors, delegates, and agents of the WHO, UN and WEF.

The following supplementary evidence, of legal proceedings, supports the claim that the appeal should extend beyond genocide to faunicide (the killing of animals) and ecocide (wilful destruction of the environment).

#### Jurisdiction

I write on behalf of the men and women and all sentient beings that have not been able to hold corporations, governments or even individual humans accountable through lawful, legal or political process or through public censure; who cannot donate, and cannot take up arms or mount an organized, collective campaign of self-defense.

Please add to count 15 that the treatment of animals is "not in consonance with constitutional values". I ask that the first remedy provided by the Federal Supreme court establishes jurisdiction, freedoms and dignity for land-animals, pollinators, birds and aquatic life, as well as men and women. It must be made clear that we are above corporations and above public servants.

We ask for an end to the slaughter, breeding, engineering, confinement, isolation, force-feeding, intensive keep, Halal or other methods of killing, hunting, testing, vivisection, dissection, poisoning, experimentation, modifying, enhancing, neglecting, gene editing, consuming or selling of animal-based ingredients.

We ask the court to formally recognize the substantial equivalence of the "live export" of farm animals to countries where they are not protected by any laws, to the

displacement and replacement of whole human populations to nations where they hold no legal status and no recourse to protection.

## **Contesting Patent Court Decisions**

Thousands of patents have been allowed that should not have been allowed. The jurisdiction, bodily integrity, privacy, rights and dignity of de jure men and women and all natural creations have been over-ridden by the patent laws and patent courts.

We rigorously contest the legality of patenting 'Exclusive Rights to the Computerization of the Human Body' and all energy generated there-from, by Bill Gates.

We strongly contest the Wolbachia IP Technology coupled with Microsoft CNN AI patented by Scott O'Neill of the World Mosquito Program, which claims exclusive rights to all digital equipment - including the mosquitoes themselves and all data generated. The patent has apparently meant that the implementers have not had to disclose the presence of the surveillance technology in the mosquitoes, or accept liability for the mass deployment of novel biological organisms.

We strongly contest the legal basis for private patenting of pharmaceutical, military, agriculture, pesticide, or conservation products, when the research and trials for those products have been justified and funded by the public. This is particularly of concern with 'dual function' research of concern, where biological agents and their gene sequences are withheld in case they are misused. It is the military and pharmaceutical companies themselves that have weaponized technology. The patents ensure that no independent testing of safety, efficacy or spread are possible.

The Covid 19 vaccines were the first ever drugs to be allowed on to the market without their active ingredients being in the public domain.

We strongly contest the genetic modification of any animal or plant-life and demand compensation in all countries for the contamination of their food and water supply, and degraded quality of life, as a result

### Permanent Suspension.

Requested remedy of the court - Suspend the use of chemical, synthetic and engineered products.

We anticipate compensation that will support tillage and horticultural food producers and larger land owners in making their land more productive, with orchards and mixed crops. It will provide a return to the principle that food is medicine. This is a process used by the Organic Trust and other Organic Agriculture regulators: The principle is that it takes just six years once the synthetic and chemical products are stopped, for their residue to disappear fully from the soil.

During the six years, labeling can reflect this transition and subsidies support the purchase of 'heritage' seeds while treated, patented and gene edited seeds are taken out of circulation, and heirloom varieties, biodiversity and soil fertility are restored.

Intensive farms will have to be de-commissioned and herds rehomed for the remainder of their lives.

We need the court to insist on an immediate ban on the use of chemicals and novel technologies.

### **Proposed Biobanks**

Please emphasize that the people do not consent to the collection of genetic samples, of blood or other bodily fluids for replication.

We would appreciate a definitive decision from your honourable court, against a Universal Patent Court in France; A universal patent court is proposed, instead of legal proceedings remaining in their individual nations within Europe, retaining their own patent court and protecting the intellectual property, research, creativity and inventions of their own people. We hope the appeal will clarify if the patent courts are Common Law courts, as the paperwork suggests. Will this give patent-holders both private and corporate exemption from liability for their products? Will patents on not-for-profit products be protected?

Partial Remedy - One Health Experiment's Control Group So far, there has been no control group for any of the experimental permits awarded. Even the placeboes in vaccine trials have contained the majority of active ingredients of the actual vaccine administered to the other trial group.

If Member States can only get a partial remedy, it would be to be awarded the role, by your honourable court, of the experiment's "Control Group". Instead of 'An absolute non-questionable leadership in all health matters" being forced on the whole world. The experiment could be conducted on the UN Headquarters in Switzerland and the United States, as both nations are keen to have it.

All the other member states will live by their national constitutions and record their nation's return to health and prosperity, in their own terms, using the funds retrieved from the defendants and public funds saved from use for terrorism, by the governments and military that will have to step down.

This would involve the cease and desist of the aerosol chemical trails deployed by airoplanes, disruptive weather modification, the decommissioning of the surveillance, wifi, smart infrastructure, the seizing of assets from military and fraudulent public servants' control and their disbursement to people. The decommissioning of all laboratories inside and outside educational facilities and a funding criteria, lending criteria, and building permissions be established in line with the new economic strategy developed by Humane Party https://humaneherald.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/calories-and-protein-produced-per-acre-1.pdf and through public banks for localized wealth and ensure people are the beneficiaries of their own nation's resources and their own labour and inspiration. https://publicbankingalliance.ie/?page\_id=90#:~:text=The%20Purpose%20of%20the %20Public,Public%20Banking%20System%20to%20Ireland.

I bring to your attention the following court proceedings and our calls for a

referendum.

- 1) The New York court decision in 2021 that Chimpanzees are not people. This protected researchers from being required to retire chimpanzees after decades of experimentation, to sanctuaries. Even though the chimpanizee was shown to have a command of language and showed empathy and other observable sentience. Response was that apes cannot contribute to society or suffer legal consequences of their actions.
- 2) National Pork Producers Council (NPPC) and American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) sued the government for Prop 12 that protected animals, in 2019, claiming Prop 12 violates the Commerce Clause of the US Constitution. They did not win but farmed animals still do not have space to turn around, nuruture their young or see daylight.
- 3) 6 Mar 2020 The largest foie gras (force-feeding of ducks until their livers explode) producer in Hungary sued Ndgy Mancs Foundation for violating its reputation and for damages.
- 4) Live Transport of calves to other countries for slaughter outside regulations, or for keeping for veal.
- 5) Case against the Minister for Agriculture, Slmon Coveney, and Queallys 2015; fraud and non compliance in their meat plants.
- 6) Guinness moved to vegan production from filtering through fish bladders. All Irish hop growers (the base ingredient of Guinness) were allowed to plant their crops and be told less that a week later that Guinness would not buy their crops as there were fewer sales as a result of the lockdown.
- 7) Bullfighting was at last outlawed in Spain, only then it came to light that it was subsidized with public money to the tune of millions of euro.
- 110 million Euro in subsidies from the EU for Bull Fighting
- 8) All traditional herbs, medicines, supplements, and other products were banned unless they are tested on animals again, even though their safety and efficacy had been established for hundreds of years. Making it impossible to source traditional medicines was orchestrated by the pharmaceutical companies wanting a monopoly on the health market and was severely exacerbated during the pandemic. The 'continuum of testing' on established products is an unnecessary cruelty for laboratory's profit.
- 9) Hare coursing, which is banned because of its cruelty in most countries, is allowed in Ireland. MEP Clare Daly discovered hare coursing has also been subsidized yearly by more than a hundred thousand euro, of Irish tax payers' money.
- 10) No welfare provision in Agricultural Minister's Horse Racing Bill, despite considerable pressure to enter some.
- 11) The crushing alive of one-day -old male chicks (Chick culling) ban in Germany but nowhere else.
- 12) Non-compliance in Charles River vivisection laboratories. 600 cats and dogs undergoing the most painful toxicity experiments until they are dead.
- 13) Super trawlers, banned in Australia, are allowed to fish indiscriminately in Irish Waters. The super trawlers have nets the size of two football pitches, sonar to identify every shoal and catch them, fishing on a Lithuanian quota, but owned by someone in Holland.Boats with freezers that can carry 15 tonnes. No regulation to stop smaller fish are not thrown back dead, creating dead zones with no fish. 14) GMO farmed fish and all other digestive-enzyme-destroying GMO food

ingredient has been challenged by the Institute For Responsible Technology.

Compensate the existing animal and other charities to the extent that land recovered from irresponsible technology - GMO foods, productive land wrongly re-zoned for solar, wind and military purposes - to be donated for sanctuaries, with human and animal food production supported in the strategy.

There has not been the opportunity to participate in court proceedings but some possible Constitutional Amendments have been articulated: Democracy Amendment (2015), Equal Rights Amendment 2 (2015), and Abolition Amendment (2016). Having this language in final form provides a very clear goal around which the court could facilitate a complete recovery of the sanctity of the life. And the Appeal decision could help with the final language needed for the Fiscal Responsibility Amendment

15). A ban (following its 5 year wind down period) on caging female pigs, but only in Australia. Few know that in Ireland and everywhere else most sows live permanently in crates so small that they cannot turn around. They are inseminated where they stand and cannot help their piglets when they arrive - every 4 months.

The public were able to postpone, briefly, the new factory farms planned.

- 16). All public contracts are awarded to corporations, instead of qualified smaller organizations because tenders have a clause that requires that an applicant already manages a budget and contracts of equal size. There is no way for not for profit organizations to expand their charitable offering, if they have been donations-based up until the public contract was tendered.
- 17) Two animal welfare organizations were refuse the management of County dog pounds and the contract was awarded to a company who dispose of fallen farm animals and were registered in Riga, Latvia at the biggest animal body parts factory in the world. A newspaper article was allowed, which would have been censored now, and the directors of the company backed out of the contract, demonstrating that the extent of their operation was threatened with exposure.
- 18. Fur farming has not been banned yet, The most recent country gave a 10 year wind-down period within which it is anticipated that 50 million more mink will be killed. Fur Farming Stats and Information Fur farming is banned across the UK but Ireland still has fur farms as horrific as any from the past. Mink are semi-aquatic wild animals each family holding an average territory of 2.5km of riverbank in the wild. In the farms, they are skinned even when still conscious.
- 19. A Govegan Poster Campaign contributed to a drop in turkey sales one year but the defendants have hijacked the vegan supply chain and the Impossible Burger, for example, contains over 40 gene-edited ingredients.
- 20. The World Health Organization defendants have reported that processed meat is carcinogenic, because of 1. the chemicals involved in processing meat 2. the antibiotics used in confined farming methods and 3. the chemicals sprayed on the grain and grazing the animals eat. They all find their way into the food chain. Now the WHO's pandemic preparedness agreement condones a constant increase in antibiotic resistance through their genetic engineering of pandemic response

pharmaceuticals. We appeal to the honourable court to suspend all activities of the defendants with immediate effect.

- 21. The 'Kill-counter' website shows that aproximately 200,000 tonnes of animals killed per month sheep, pigs and cows.

  Farm Animal Slaughter Statistics UK
- 22. Puppy farms raided and exposed in Myshall Carlow were found to have several hundred more bitches than they had licenses to keep. The owner famously is quoted as saying in response to neglect charges "They don't need eyes to pump out puppies" The local court planned to return his breeding license but there were too many people demonstrating outside the courthouse.
- 23. Puppy farmers' profits and neglect were protected by the government when the DSPCA (Society for the protection of animals) had to pay for the dogs they seized at Dublin Airport.
- 24. New puppy farms have got licenses, including Mayo where the beagles are to be bred purely for use in laboratories.

Charles River Laboratories' Experiments a US company breeds and buys stray animals for a "continuum of product development and tests". We do not consent to the corporations or their practices.

25. 820,000 animals a year suffer in laboratories in Eire (Ireland). 80% for commercial product testing, not even medical. The Hadwen Trust in Oxford amongst others has developed a complete system, exploiting no animals, that could be made mandatory.

Dr Hadwen Trust offers animal-free, human-relevant research. All trials must cease and desist as a result of this appeal, on animals and on humans, due to the impossibility of 'informed consent'. The infant tecchnology that is being used, has been lobbied as accurate and predictable but it is not.

26. Conditions for cows at abattoirs have been exposed but we have not had the opportunity to bring court proceedings against the meat industry or individuals. There was a rush of 'rape rack' training advertised on Done Deal where people can pay and practice artificial insemination skills on a suspended cow before she is slaughtered.

Calves are routinely dragged from their mothers before receiving the crucial colostrum for their immune systems, for the dairy industry. This creates another level of antibacterial resistance, as calves must receive them, to be kept alive through pneumonia.

27. Cows are shown electric-prodded in and then rolled upside down in a form of cat scan tunnel, throats cuts and then thrown still alive onto the floor under another, now hanging up, also still alive, in front of the next one pinned in the tunnel.

A police officer Lyn White reported: Cruelty to animals affects people adversely, too" She recalls that she once attended a domestic when she was with the police. The man had abused the woman. But what stood out for her was that this normally mild mannered man was now working in an abattoir to provide for his family. He loved

animals so his hatred for the job grew and grew until it controlled him. Sometimes the price of conformity is too high. In fact, perhaps always.

We appeal to the court to stop these industries, devoid of humanity, from continuing, let alone assuming absolute control over all people as well as animals.

- 28. Blood Spatter Experiments by the military Massive animal cruelty and abuse exposed throughout the food, science, entertainment and every other industry, including the use of pigs for the military to tie down and shoot, just to observe blood spatter patterns.
- 29. COP28 Climate action incongruence. What was not discussed was the monopoly on water or the environmental impact of animal agriculture in regard to water; with up to 15,000 litres of fresh water to produce 1kg of beef. Farmers use three quarters of the world's fresh water.

We refuse to entertain the promotion of Carbon Capture and Storage. 1) It is so dangerous to upset the other critical processes such as photosynthesis. 2) All living things requite carbon. The COP28 was a warning in plain sight of the plan to restrict people's movement and choices, create a captured market for their own products, and all under the pretext of a climate crisis, PHEIC - a public health emergency of international concern.

Genetically Modified Round-Up Resistant corn or any other toxic food must be banned as it kills the pollinators, the other plant life, and is present in human and animal cancers.

If all crops, all unsprayed grown on farms transitioning to organic, were directed to people directly, there would be no shortage and the remainder would feed the recovering animals in a natural system where grazing can be provided year around.

- 30. We do not consent to the high level deals with America and China to produce meat and dairy for them. Minister Simon Coveney has stepped down recently but must be held to account for his treasonous negotiation of Ireland's resources with the Trans Atlantic Trade Partnership Negotiators.
- 31. The undervaluing of developing countries' produce has already happened by this same TTP as the US has just decided that meat must not be labelled as to where it came from so that shoppers cant be biassed. We do not consent.

There is no differentiation between factory-produced and animal products produced from animals that have seen daylight or even free range or ejoyed any adherence to animal welfare principles.

Ireland, for example, is not allowed to say that their cows are from Ireland anymore. It is another matter of jurisdiction and value on the life and productivity of lliving beings.

All the recent international trade partnerships and treaties will have to be revoked, if justice is done and the defendants held to account.

32. The Right To Resue sick animals has just been lost in the last two weeks.

Animal Rights Activist Convicted of Felony for Rescuing Sick Chickens Hsiung's use of a necessity defense was denied, "a person is permitted to trespass onto private property to aid ailing animals".

A gag order barring him from speaking with the media about the case.

All the member states have had a "gag order" put on us. No other scientific or political enquiry is allowed. Feedom of speech is gone already.

In the case, "the defendants were able to show that the animals had no value, as understood by agribusiness; therefore their removal could not be shown to be a loss of value to the company."

I ask the honourable court to ensure the appeal is heard because the consequence of the the defendant's agenda, enshrined in to law by the upcoming treaty and IHR amendments vote will be complete humiliation for all living things: No value, no jurisdiction and no protection.

The defendants are trespassing and intend to overreach their authority. Only one delegate from each member state will be allowed at the Conference of the Parties and every single one of them has been compromised and recruited, with the promise of full control over their nation's budget. All the African countries, the Caribbean, Indonesia and of course Palestine are set to be ruined and bankrupted, so that their abundant natural resources can be mined, at the countries' own expense and risk.

33. The corporations and international organizations will not back down unless they are required to do so by the Federal Supreme Court. This has been shown time and time again. For example, the Biden administration backed a petition by National Pork Producers Council (NPPC) and American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) filed to oppose Prop 12 an animal welfare bill, and sue the state in 2019. They claimed Prop 12 violates the Commerce Clause of the US Constitution. https://media.4-paws.org/e/2/c/5/e2c5efd1fd945e77cf49b2894aafe7d2f59cd48e/2a\_2019\_VP\_HU\_T ranslation\_of\_Public\_Benefit\_Report.pdf US Supreme Court Upholds California's Prop 12

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# How With The Hate Speech Laws, and AI registering anything 'adversarial, even saying no becomes a crime

30th April 2024 How Saying No Becomes A Crime

Gripping Analysis of the Bill that Simon Harris wants to push through, article by article

Having studied the un-loving Speech Bill, it is clear it is a financial business plan for Ireland in three ways. If they can criminalize the people en masse, though, they guarantee themselves a steady and lucrative income stream.

Fines of 5000, even for a friend of a friend

1. Quite blatantly, legitimising a Class A fine of €5000, on the pretext they might have

spoken "recklessly" on line (not even "intentionally") means that every man, woman and child can be landed with a debt, a criminal record and no way to make a living or clear their name or pay that alleged debt. Even the slightest resistance to handing over their passwords, our only means to access our bank accounts remember, also justifies the fine.

### How The State Cashes In

2) What is less well known is that the State makes a vast amount of money from every criminal case, in fact the more times a hearing or decision is deferred, the better. By threatening Google and co, the platforms themselves will police the internet and censor anything that might incur a fine. By empowering the gardai, they threaten us physically.

Don't be under any illusion that some minority group will be better protected by this bill. No one will have any actual jurisdiction (lawful power) to bring a case, and there will be no ways to avoid or win a case. It is just the process that is such a money-spinner for the government: The process is to track, bring disgrace and dereliction and chip and pin on every family. You may want it to stop but they know it's a deep vein of gold to mine.

The Bill would protect the government though, because every difficult question can be avoided with this nationwide "gagging order" - Ironically, a gagging order used to only be used by intensive farmers in the States to stop people sharing video footage of animal abuse to the media or a court. Already my friend was not allowed to show footage of police brutality in court. We have to make sure that these wild and worsening offences against us are not given a legal footing by entertaining this bill, on any level.

All used by 'fact checkers' picks up factually true statements but that register as adversarial. Therefore even saying "No thank you" becomes an online harm or misinformation.

3) The artificial intelligence used to track down un-loving speech is a) a military protocol. All is specifically programmed b) to deliver targets. Criteria for legitimate targets was changed a few years ago, and now merely being part of a c') signature group' makes you a target. In Israel this has meant that the military was only able to identify 50 civilian targets a year, but now with the Al, they boast of 100 targets a day, with no human oversight, and success in bombing half of them. With this bill, the Irish people (and I know many other governments are pushing bills like this too, because those nations are also bankrupt) are to be the targets.

I Promise to Stop this Madness, Given a Chance. Keep saying "No", until the word 'no' itself, even in self defence, becomes a crime. https://lnkd.in/eR2q5q5b

3rd May 2024 Migration and The Hate Speech and Online Harms Bills are all WEF business plans to look retrospectively at private messages from when we were censored during Covid and criminalise us. The UN plan to keep us 'regularly' migrating means, show they hope we will have no power or jurisdiction wherever we end up.

Safe, Orderly and Regular! Most people you speak to see migration as an absolute tragedy, women and children abused on every border, desperate, vulnerable and in shock with no food, belongings or future but it turns out that is exactly how the United Nation!s wants us. Broke and homeless. And notice how this is the UN in New York, not Switzerland. The US feels it should be there permanently. And maybe it should as at least that would be show who is in charge. And then there's the slimmest of chances that the organization would have less diplomatic immunity if it was moved but not much.

Desperate Attempts to Stop The Deployment of Bombs, GMO Mosquitoes, Other Technologies and People are already failing, the American way has already crept in like a trojan horse, through Nato, police violence and breeding racism, where there was none. The other truly American thing we've allowed in are the pharmaceutical companies with their mission statement "To have every citizen on at least 4 prescribed drugs from cradle to grave"

The Caribbean Supplementary Evidence sent to support my Appeal to the Swiss Federal Supreme Court proves how well that is working out for them.

We Can't Even Stop Things In Our Own Countries, let Alone If We're Forced to Move

"There has been no long-term study and risk analysis for humans and the environment regarding the spread of mosquitoes, this will pose a risk to the safety and health of workers.

There are also still unclear regulations and legal means regarding who is responsible if the release of mosquitoes exposed to Wolbachia bacteria causes unpredictable damage to human health and the environment."

"Annex II of the New York Declaration set in motion a process of intergovernmental consultations and negotiations towards the development of a Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration."

This is the first inter-governmentally negotiated agreement, prepared under the auspices of the United Nations, covering all dimensions of international migration in a holistic and comprehensive manner" The only way it is holistic and comprehensive is as a business plan. The UN goes on to say "It demonstrates commitment to "strengthen the contribution of migrants and migration to sustainable development." I don't think people know they are contributing to the SDGs as they drag their broken limbs from pillar to post but just as long as someone is getting some profit from it, I will endeavour to flag this up too at the Appeal. I have asked that the UN be dismantled and people be granted compensation and safe passage home.

The biological warfare, surveillance, technology and shift to non-consensual imposition means that the military have to leave as do DARPA, WEF and all the dark entities.

We need to apologise to nature and we need to compensate the people.

Summary of Community Unacceptable Risks by Professor Richard Claproth:

- The spread of millions of insects has a major impact on tourism
- The World Mosquito Program's strategy to continuously GROW Wolbachia bacteria in mosquitoes means that Balinese residents and tourists must be prepared to receive hundreds of millions of additional mosquito bites. Mosquitoes must get a blood meal before they can produce eggs. Each female mosquito will produce 100 eggs, three times during her adult life.
- Global Petition to Stop Genetic Engineering Gene Drive
- Gene drive engineered mosquitoes have not received approval for release into the open or for field testing; because it propagates permanent genetic changes in the ecosystem. The impact on human health and the environment cannot be predicted no matter how good the initial intentions. Read more here
- After release, the spread of mosquitoes exposed to Wolbachia bacteria cannot be controlled or returned to normal. [Gene Drives: Assessing Benefits & Risks Future of Life Institute]
- An international petition has gathered more than 308,000 signatures this year, arguing that gene drive research is so dangerous to humans and the environment that it must be stopped globally. View the petition here
- Who is responsible for releasing mosquitoes in Bali
- Will the World Mosquito Program, researchers, funders, mosquito egg producers and universities conducting research be held responsible if errors occur or the program has a negative impact.
- Diseases and the damage they cause are almost impossible to trace.
- Before releasing the mosquitoes, we require the Ministries of Defense, Tourism, Forestry, BAIS, BIN, the Governor of Bali, the Mayor of Denpasar, the Environmental Service in Bali and other relevant component authorities to DECLARE the extent of their obligations and authority in vetoing the release of the mosquitoes.
- There are no consequences and responsibilities due to the impact of biotechnology
- Will releasing mosquitoes produce more dangerous variants of the Zika virus? See article in The Ecologist
- Does the Dengue Fever vaccine in the Philippines cause a deadly variant of the measles virus? Read it on NPR
- Wolbachia bacteria have a symbiotic relationship with parasites which actually worsen tropical diseases; even though releasing mosquitoes was originally aimed at reducing tropical diseases. Look in PubMed
- Wolbachia can cause elephantiasis (elephantiasis) and river blindness. Source: scielo.br & pubmed
- Escalation of Dengue Fever Threat in Sri Lanka Following Mosquito Release
- In Sri Lanka there has been an increase in mosquito larvae so that cases of Dengue Fever have doubled since the mass release of mosquitoes in 2021. Crisis24
- Dengue Fever Activity Increases in Sri Lanka
- Comprehensive Due Diligence Protocol (Comprehensive Investigation Protocol)

- Due Diligence Mosquito Release
- We strongly request a "Comprehensive Investigation Protocol" that includes an evaluation of resilience and national security, public health and the environment, legal, operational techniques of the Wolbachia mosquito release program, funding, transparency, effectiveness assessment and a thorough long-term risk analysis before mosquito releases are carried out.
- The Denpasar Regional Government in Bali must announce the following:
- Risk of spread to other species, disproportionate and sustained increase in mosquito populations, assessment of the risk of vertical gene transmission in imported mosquito eggs, safety of utilization of Wolbachia bacteria and application of Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption Ionization-Time Of Flight (MALDI-TOF) & Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) uses Wolbachia mosquitoes. Look here
- Precautions regarding the Use of MALDI-TOF MS & CNN in Mosquito Releases on National Security & Resilience
- Non-disclosure (must not be disclosed). Not disclosing the use of Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption Ionization-Time Of Flight (MALDI-TOF) & Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) in the release of mosquitoes in Bali which could threaten National Security and Resilience. Look here
- Wolbachia bacteria (Natural) and Internet Protocol Technology (IPT) via Wolbachia:
- AU Expansion Model.pdf DOWNLOAD\_DISI
- The World Mosquito Program (WMP) claims that the Wolbachia bacteria and mosquitoes used in this research are natural and not genetically modified. Look here
- However, inserting Internet Protocol Technology (IPT); uses automated microinjection to insert bacteria; and creating Gene Drives all require genetic engineering.
- Artificial Intelligence in Mosquitoes: Artificial Intelligence simulations are used to analyze risks and biohazards (Microsoft's Artificial Intelligence).
- Release of Responsibility: Anyone responsible for monitoring, supervising, collecting data, mapping locations, and scheduling the distribution of mosquito eggs is protected from liability by the existence of patents and legal exemptions, and Microsoft is willing to pay legal fees in the event of copyright infringement. Link: Protection from Claims).
- Wolbachia IP (Internet Protocol) technology in gene drives in Bali is a major threat to National Security and Resilience as well as Public Health and Safety and the environment. The owner of the Wolbachia IP Technology patent (Wolbachia IP Patent Link) has claimed exclusive rights to all digital equipment, data collected and transmitted using this technology. This indicates a conflict of interest for the World Mosquito Program. There is a threat that the injection of artificial intelligence technology through mosquito bites can transmit information to the human body with unknown purposes.
- Bali as a location for biotechnology experiments
- "Details of the 'Toxic mosquito aerial release system' patent can be found in this reference." "Right to computerization of the human body. Methods and devices for transmitting energy and data," Unified Patents. Bill Gates Patent: US-6754472-B1. Patent Link US-6754472-B1
- Disease Transmission in Mosquito Eggs
- This document well notes that mosquito eggs carry the Dengue Fever virus and

other diseases. Knowledge about Gene Transfer, from generation to generation, should be the basis for refusing the mass release of mosquito eggs.

- Zika discovery: link:ubmed-zika
- Dengue Fever: link:cademic.oup.com
- Chikungunya: link:parasitesandvectors.biomedcentral.com
- Malaria: link:nhm.ac.uk
- Planned hundreds of millions of eggs to be distributed in Bali, imported with additional undetected pathogenic diseases.
- The goal of WMP is not to reduce mosquito populations, but rather to spread them. link: newsinfo
- A species of mosquito that can no longer be controlled through fogging is being released in Bali. link: ncbi.nlm.nih.gov
- Mosquitoes are insects but have now been recorded as pesticides. link:epa.gov "As with all pesticides, mosquitoes have been modified
- (9) genetics are regulated under the Federal Pesticides Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA)." Even if we accept that they are not the product of genetic engineering, we do not accept that mosquitoes in Bali should be free from all regulation.

Article 445: "Any person who carries out activities to disseminate materials that contain disease-causing and/or biological agents that cause disease and health problems that have the potential to cause outbreaks and epidemics as intended in Article 399 shall be punished by imprisonment for a maximum of 12 (twelve) years or criminal a maximum fine of IDR 5,000,000,000 (five billion rupiah)." Ref: Prepare the hyperlinks (9 pdf files)

10. Disclosure Law No. 14 of 2008 concerning Openness of Public Information Article 11 paragraph (1): "Public Bodies are obliged to provide Public Information at any time

includes:

- b. the results of Public Body decisions and their considerations;
- c. all existing policies and supporting documents

### OPEN SCIENCE MANIFESTO - by Professor Richard Claproth

- 1. Principle 1: Enable an Inclusive Container of Knowledge
- The Open Science Team must create a knowledge platform where each individual has the rights and means to determine how his or her knowledge is organized and managed to meet his or her needs.
- 2. Principle 2: Recognize Cognitive Justice
- Open Science teams must recognize cognitive justice, namely the need for diverse understandings of how knowledge is created in order to co-exist in scientific production.
- 3. Principle 3: Practice Situational Openness
- This principle emphasizes that Open Science must pay attention to the ways in which context, power, and inequality influence scientific research. This means that

disclosure of information must be adapted to specific situations.

- 4. Principle 4: Support Every Individual's Right to Research
- This principle advocates the right of every individual to conduct research and allows various forms of participation at all stages of the research process.
- 5. Principle 5: Encourage Fair Collaboration
- Open science should encourage fair cooperation between scientists and social actors. This involves establishing equal partnerships and fostering co-creation and social innovation in society.
- 6. Principle 6: Inclusive of Infrastructure
- Emphasize the importance of inclusive infrastructure, enabling everyone, including those with varying abilities, to use and contribute to accessible open source technologies.
- 7. Principle 7: Using Knowledge as a Path to Sustainable Development
- This last principle states that open and collaborative science should seek to use knowledge as a tool to achieve sustainable development. Every individual must be empowered to improve the well-being of society and the planet.

The seven things above are the basic principles proposed to achieve more inclusive and collaborative open science in the development context.

Mass releases contravene International Human Rights Treaty against torture https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United\_Nations\_Convention\_Against\_Torture releasing hundreds of millions of biting female mosquitoes.

Please stop these terrifying plans.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 2:10:21 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Leilani Kailiawa	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I am in support of this bill.

Mahalo nui loa

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 4:25:06 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Elizabeth Nelson	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

I think it is much more important to spend our finances on family planning and not to fund a new prison. There are much less expensive alternatives to that. Thank you.

Elizabeth Nelson

Kaneohe

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 5:27:48 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Sarah Jones	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Aloha I strongly oppose funneling state budget resources into the continuation of this reckless onsloaught to our evnironemnt and our fragile ecosystem. We the people do not suppet this at all.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 6:10:50 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Michelle Bonk	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Dear Ways and Means Committee,

I am writing to express my strong support for HB300 HD1, which includes funding for the Waimānalo Research Station and Magoon Research and Teaching Station. I am Theodore Radovich, a faculty member with statewide Extension responsibilities at the University of Hawaii's College of Tropical Agriculture and Resilience. While my work extends across the state, a significant portion of my teaching and research activities are conducted at the Waimānalo Research Station and Magoon Research and Teaching Station.

The Waimānalo Research Station, established in 1955, has been instrumental in promoting diversified agriculture in Hawaii for over 60 years. This facility has consistently worked to disseminate science-based information and solve problems facing producers. The station's research activities include:

- Breeding and selecting food crops for sustainable local production
- Apiculture (Bee Program)
- · Certified organic agriculture
- Aquaponics
- Beginner farmer training

The Waimānalo Research Station also hosts The Waimānalo Learning Center (WLC). Initiated in 2012, the WLC has welcomed thousands of community members annually, improving awareness of the station's research activities and supporting 'aina-based education for keiki and their 'ohana.

Similarly, the Magoon Research and Teaching Station plays a crucial role in our agricultural research and education efforts. These facilities are essential for:

- · Conducting cutting-edge research to address Hawaii's unique agricultural challenges
- Training the next generation of agricultural professionals
- Engaging with the community to promote sustainable farming practices
- Supporting local farmers and producers with evidence-based solutions

As a Professor and Extension specialist, I can attest to the importance of these stations in fulfilling our mission to provide information, education, and encourage the application of research-based knowledge. The work conducted at these facilities directly contributes to the development of sustainable agricultural practices, food security, and economic growth in Hawaii.

HB300 HD1 provides much needed support for the Waimanalo Research Station and Magoon Research and Teaching Station. This investment will yield significant returns in terms of agricultural innovation, education, and community engagement for years to come.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Theodore Badovich, Ph.D.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 6:38:03 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Swasti Bhattacharyya	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha, Reproductive healthcare is too important not to fund. Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan.

I absolutely want my tax dollars to fund healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Thank you.

Swasti Bhattacharyya

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 7:24:43 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
randy wolfshagen	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I am opposed to funding the Executive Budget funding for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i.

Do NOT fund this effort and do what you can to stop DLNR from pursuing this strategy until a proper review of the current Maui campaign is performed and reviewed.

This is an potentially dangereous experiment with unknown consequences, and we cannot allow experiments to be performed on our aina.

- Randy, Mirka, and Pueo Wolfshagen / Kekaha

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 7:28:45 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Maile Martin	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please support maintaining QUEST provider payments for Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services in the budget to help children with autism.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 7:34:48 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
constance	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

as a woman, as a mother of daughters, as a citizen who is entitled to rights, including my own body, as a citizen who mobilized with other women 50 plus years ago to guarantee my individual civil rights, I support this bil.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 7:58:51 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Mia Onorato	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:04:46 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Sarah Burns	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:05:08 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Noreen Nakaoka	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

<sup>&</sup>quot;I'm opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i."

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:05:37 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Karen Luke	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair, VC, and Members of WAM,

Please prioritize our families' health, welfare, and future over a new prison. Prison in itself can be a deterent and not warm shelter, three meals, education, and interesting activities. Please encourage our familes with these programs and a brighter future.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Karen Luke in Ewa Beach

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:10:10 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
catherine wilson	Testifying for ABA Positive Support Services	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

I support HB300. Without the continued rate increases I will loss direct care staff and prevent me from hiring more. The shortage of direct care staff prevent many children with disabilities from accessing medically necessary services.

Sincerely,

Catherine Wilson,

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:23:10 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Leah	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for Applied Behavior Analysis.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:38:14 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Puuoneomakapuu Johnson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Puuoneomakapuu Johnson 41-890 Kalanianaole Hwy. Waimanalo, Hawaii 96795 puuawo@gmail.com (808)392-1799 03/17/2025

Senate Ways and Means Committee Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair and Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee,

Aloha,

I am writing to express my strong support for the inclusion of \$5.5 million for the Waimānalo CARES Center and \$6 million for the Magoon Research and Teaching Station in the state budget bill, HB 300, HD1. These allocations are crucial for our community and will have a significant positive impact on both the residents of Waimānalo and the broader educational and research efforts in Hawaii.

#### Waimānalo CARES Center:

The Waimānalo CARES Center plays a vital role in providing essential services and support to the local community. This funding will enable the center to enhance its programs, expand its reach, and improve the quality of life for residents. By investing in this center, we are investing in the well-being and prosperity of our community.

#### **Magoon Research and Teaching Station:**

The Magoon Research and Teaching Station is an important educational and research facility that contributes significantly to Hawaii's academic and environmental initiatives. This funding will support critical research projects, educational programs, and community engagement activities, ultimately benefiting both students and the broader community.

I urge you to approve these allocations as they represent a wise investment in our state's future. These projects align with the values of community support, education, and environmental stewardship that are essential to Hawaii's growth and prosperity.

Thank you for considering my testimony. I look forward to your support for these important initiatives.

Mahalo,

Puuoneomakapuu Johnson

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:40:45 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Christina Simmons	Individual	Support	In Person

#### Comments:

3.16.2025

To: Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

From: Christina Simmons, Kaneohe Resident

Subject: HB No. 300, HD1 - Testimony in Support of EOEL Budget Request

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and members of the committee,

I am writing with two requests: 1) to support funding to expand early learning opportunities for Hawai'i's keiki and 2) to include the addition of Family Child Interactive Learning (FCIL) programs to the budget.

These worthwhile investments will improve access to high-quality early childhood education for underserved populations, allowing more parents to work while their keiki are in safe and fruitful environments, and help advance progress toward universal access to early learning for three and four-year-olds.

In particular, I support retaining funding in the House Draft of the Budget which provides funds and positions to open 50 additional Executive Office on Early Learning (EOEL) Public Prekindergarten classrooms over the next two years (EDN700). These funds will:

- Improve educational equity through priority enrollment for at-risk children;
- Support progress toward universal access to early learning for three and fouryear-olds; and
- Promote Kindergarten readiness.

I also respectfully request this committee consider adding funding for Family Child Interaction Learning (FCIL) Program contracts to the budget for EOEL (EDN700). FCILs are an important component of our early learning system for the following reasons:

- Expand the variety of early learning opportunities for families
- Utilize a multi-generational, culturally responsive approach
- Support family efforts to take an active role in the social, emotional, and cognitive development of their children
- Dual focus on parent education and early learning

The expansion of these programs will help more keiki access high-quality early learning experiences that set the foundation for lifelong success.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to include this funding in the Senate Draft of the budget.

Sincerely,

Christina Simmons MPH, IBCLC (emeritus)

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:50:33 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Lisa Seikai Darcy	Individual	Oppose	In Person

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Lisa Darcy from Kula, Maui, HI. I have worked in the human services field for almost 40 years and am strongly opposed to bill **HB300**. I oppose provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion jail.

The work I assisting those released from incarceration without any supports, any supports, is grossly underfunded. As a result, cycles of incarceration keep people dependent and trapped in the incarceration system. My work can pop maybe 1:100 people I work with out and the rest simply continue to spin in circles without any assistance. This legislation is misdirected and does not address root causes.

The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a "new" OCCC. We don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Much of my work is done without funding and as a reult does not show up on any radar. You have the ability to reverse this harmful process and vote no on this bill. This system is inverted. I want my voice to be clearly heard and to know that almost 40yrs of work on the streets is cost effective and grows stronger community.

In the absence of a public health-based approach to public safety, we cannot invest in prisons, rather we need to invest in our communities—diversion programs, mental health care treatment, and permanent supportive housing. All of my life experience is behind this testimony. Please oppose HB300. At anytime, I am available for clarification.

Lisa Darcy, Kula HI

3-18-25

Senator Donovan DelaCruz, Chair Senate Ways and Means Committee Senator Sharon Moriwaki, Vice Chair, Senate Ways and Means Committee

Re: HB300, State budget

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, V-Chair Moriwaki and Members of the Senate WAM Committee:

My name is Gail Breakey, and I live in Waipio Gentry. I am testifying **in opposition to provisions in HB 300 that includes planning for a new prison.** I was involved in planning for alternatives to incarceration 40 years ago, plans that have never been implemented... always in favor of new prison facilities. We need to support families and develop alternatives to incarceration as has been the case in European countries, which have far less crime than the US.

The current budget bill would appropriate \$30 MILLION for planning relating to the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 MILLION for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan, and MILLIONS more for jail and prison expansion and maintenance. What's more, the State is pushing for a Public-Private-Partnership (P3) to finance, design, construct, and maintain the new jail. This will make taxpayers \$1 billion poorer, not safer!

Programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable. Safety for all includes housing, living wages, and mental health treatment. Hawai'i is not safer with billion-dollar jail expansion projects prioritized over access to healthy foods, healthcare, decent jobs, and safe and stable housing.

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, healthy food, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Sincerely,

Gail Breakey, RN, MPH

Hair Preakey

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:55:57 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Daniel Coe	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Please consider supporting HB300. While a much-needed increase in Med-QUEST reimbursement rates for Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) providers was approved for CY 2025 following legislative requests like House Resolution 207, this funding is currently non-reoccurring. Making these adequate rates permanent is essential to ensure continued access to necessary ABA services for all eligible Med-QUEST beneficiaries who can benefit from this evidence-based approach to behavior change. Supporting HB300 is a critical step in advocating for the sustained financial stability of ABA providers, enabling them to serve a diverse range of needs within the community, including but cetainly not limited to, the severly underserved Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) community of clients and their families. Mahalo.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:59:48 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Sierra Rainwater	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis in order to continue providing high level care for our keiki.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 8:59:50 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
lydia ching	Testifying for ABC GROUP	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Rates for ABA services have remained the same since coverage started in 2015, despite increased costs of living. We need rate increases to meet the needs of children with autism in our state.

**JOSH GREEN, M.D.** GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA



KEITH A. REGAN COMPTROLLER KA LUNA HO'OMALU HANA LAULĀ

MEOH-LENG SILLIMAN
DEPUTY COMPTROLLER
KA HOPE LUNA HOʻOMALU HANA LAULĀ

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### WRITTEN TESTIMONY HOUSE BILL NO. 300 H.D.1

### **COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS**

BY

ROYCE M. MURAKAMI

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF STATE OF HAWAII 9-1-1 BOARD

March 18, 2025, 10:00AM

# CONFERENCE ROOM 211 AND VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE, STATE CAPITAL

## RELATING TO STATE BUDGET

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill (H.B.) 300, H.D.1, Relating to the State Budget, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

The State of Hawaii 9-1-1 Board **supports** the adjustments to the Governor's executive budget as provided by H.B. 300 H.D.1 with comments.

### **Operating Budget Request:**

- Adds \$1 in special fund ceiling permanently in FY 26 and FY 27 for State of Hawaii 9-1-1 Board due to increase in maintenance and recurring costs of the Public Safety Answering Points in preparation for the transition to Next Generation 9-1-1. We respectfully request that this amount be restored to the original request of \$5,000,000 in special fund ceiling increase permanently in FY 26 and FY 27.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 9:11:43 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Thomas h. Penny	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison."

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 9:21:32 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Netra Halperin, MA	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

HB300 funds dangerous mosquito release experiments on Maui and Kaua'i. The supposed reason is to protect song birds. But this is false. There is no evidence that introducing cyborg maoquitos into the environment will save these birds.

Whenever Man interferes with nature with a man-made substance or species, it ALWAYS goes awry.

Please do NOT fund this.

Mahalo,

Netra Halperin

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 9:28:32 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Anne Allison	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

"I'm opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for Wolbachiabacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i."

There are so many reasons this is a bad idea. Any past attempt to "change mother nature and introduce exotics to the islands have been a disaster!!"

- Accidental release of female mosquitoes that bite, breed, and spread disease (EPA guidelines allow for the release of one female for every 250,000 males; just one female released can produce 160,000 more females through breeding of the generations in her lifespan; 3,103 females are allowed to be released weekly on Maui up to 6,000 mosquitoes released twice weekly per acre in the 64,666-acre project area: 6,000 x 2 x 64,666 = 775,992,000 mosquitoes divided by 250,000 equals 3,103 females weekly)
- Peer-reviewed studies showing *Wolbachia* bacteria can cause <u>increased</u> <u>pathogen infection</u> and <u>disease-spreading capability</u> in mosquitoes
- <u>Horizontal transmission</u> of *Wolbachia* bacteria to wild mosquitoes and other insect vectors of disease
- Population replacement of wild mosquitoes with lab-altered mosquitoes (as few as three females released can cause population replacement)
- Wind drift of released mosquitoes to unintended areas
- Lack of documented biosecurity protocols and pathogen screenings for the imported mosquitoes
- Risks to the health of people and animals, and the potential for the plan to cause the extinction of the native birds it is meant to protect.
- We do not need bioweapons laboratories in Hawaii and crazy biological experiments with our fragile environment.
- Please vote no.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 9:29:11 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Travis Lau	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

I'm opposed to Executive Budget funding through HB300 for Wolbachia-bacteria-infected mosquito releases on Maui and Kaua'i.

Thank you.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 9:46:59 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Erika Cabell	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 9:48:20 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Renee Rabb	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to support low income families receiving access to reproductive health care. This is an important investment for our future.

Mahalo,

Renee Rabb

Keaau, HI 96749

Big Island

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 9:48:22 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Chris Wikoff	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

I oppose the release of any mosquitos in the State of Hawaii for any purpose whatsoever. Please vote with your conscience, your gut and your common sense as your guide. Remember that you have to sleep at night like everyone else in the Islands. Dropping mosquitos on the heads of your constituents in unconscionable. There is no legitimate reason, either for scientific or for public health for releasing mosquitos into the State of Hawaii. If you are being persuaded otherwise, please take pause and understand that you will be responsible for releasing Pandora's box on the heads of your constituents, yourself and your family. I suffered from mosquitos on the Mainland for many years and it is a disaster. It does not matter that you are being told the mosquitos are infertile. The idea is simply scientific and health hackery. Please make the right decision for your self and all of us Hawaiians and vote against this measure.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 9:50:25 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Summer Sylva	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Summer Sylva, Waimanalo, HI 96795

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The Waimānalo CARES Center plays a vital role in providing essential services and support to the local community. This funding will enable the center to enhance its programs, expand its reach, and improve the quality of life for residents. By investing in this center, we are investing in the well-being and prosperity of our community.

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Thank you for considering my testimony. I look forward to your support for these important initiatives.

Mahalo ~ Summer Sylva

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 9:50:49 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Sheeren Masifi	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

More starving children, homeless and incarcerated youth, mental illness, crime....this is the future of a society where women are not allowed the means to prevent pregnancies they are unready for. I urge you to provide proper access to contraception and family planning for all, regardless of their socioeconomic status. Thank you.

Dr. Masifi, Family Physician

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/17/2025 10:00:05 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ayman El-Swaify	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

I am opposed to this environmental experiment being conducted in our islands.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 10:00:17 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Su	bmitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
L	arry Holm	Testifying for Retirees concerned for keiki and aina	Oppose	Remotely Via Zoom

### Comments:

I strongly object to funding the mosquito project that's been sold to Hawaiian leaders and urge our leaders and all Hawaiians to oppose this and any future mosquito project that requires introducing manufactured mosquitoes into a single Hawaiian ecosystem anywhere, whether for "emergency," "experimental," or any other alleged justification.

For the following reasons, I stand against this project:

Every single fact referenced and filed as lawsuits by Hawaii Unites and Mike Yellen!

Project Success Criteria Analysis. I compared other projects proposed to other municipalities to verify that this type of project succeeds. I was unable to find a single proof-of-concept success. I then evaluated other project requirements to determine if the proposed project meets and exceeds enough factors to guarantee success here. What I found was that this project deviates from past tested failed projects in several ways, some of which predict project failure and even point to project design for failure:

Other municipalities required that zero females be allowed per release, as a metric for success to avoid invasive species population replacement. This project allows 3000 per week on Maui, which is more than necessary to guarantee population replacement, thus ensuring failure of stated goals, and since the project claims to have studied other projects, this metric points to design for failure.

Other municipalities required release population count ratio per acre many hundreds of times more dense than the proposed project on Maui (in flat low wind areas), but at that ratio, those

projects failed. Maui's terrain is far more vast, complex, windy, vertically diverse, and as such would require exponentially more population density to have a remote chance of success. Per this measure, this project is scaled too low for Hawaii's geography, thus guaranteeing failure of stated goals and indicating design for failure.

Exporting experimental mosquitoes from California where Bird Flu is rampant in the air exposes the project's experimental invasive mosquitoes to Bird Flu, a virus requiring quarantine and culling. After exposure from California, Hawaii's endangered bird's reproductive nesting areas will receive potentially Bird Flu exposed invasive mosquitoes directly over their head in large numbers. This point alone indicates such a severe lack of understanding of living systems that proves the project is designed to fail, whether due to intention, ignorance, or lack of informed safe and effective procedures.

This project claims to have sufficient knowledge of Hawaii's culture, ecosystems, and endemic species such that the project rules out any possibility of horizontal transfer to any significant species, ecosystem, or culturally important criteria. Published Wolbachia research found horizontal transfer to soil species, thus risking altering soil systems in unpredictable and potentially harmful, even catastrophic ways; rapid and highly morphological impacts to unexpected species; and, culturally vital to Hawaiians, Wolbachia has been found to transfer to crustaceans of similar type to the Opa'é freshwater shrimp. Soil and water being the lowest points under the drop zones, even low drop counts have high potential for horizontal Wolbachia transfer to soils and Opa'é. That this does not appear in the project playbook as declared indicates lack of disclosure, lack of due diligence, or design for failure.

The project claims to have sufficient knowledge of Wolbachia horizontal transfer to rule out all possible negative effects upon people and livestock. Although Wolbachia doesn't directly infect people, nor mammals, in published studies it has been found to inhabit parasites that do infect animals and people, such as filarial nematodes, and many parasites remain to be studied. Wolbachia produces chemicals to reward it's hosts, possibly for steering to favored spots in host anatomy. Wolbachia are extremely fond of testes and ovaries, and once inside human parasites, may accidentally or potentially migrate to reproductive organs as it does in other species. The project did not disclose that Wolbachia are proven to transfer to parasitic species. Perhaps because this is such a vast area with many questions that should have been acknowledged and answered. Certainly more studies are needed, but If the project gets this wrong, the project will have achieved a transmissible parasite borne STD that may partially or totally sterilize people. Maui visitors will carry it home, Maui's reputation will suffer. The question then arises, when in Hawaii it's finally proven, which it will be, that Wb transferred to human parasites which have an affinity for ovaries and testes, and as a result people have become sterilized, how will you compensate for loss of children?

As for the project's sudden introduction of Bti bacterial fungicide, you can build trust by submitting full transparency now, otherwise project secrecy needs to be subpoena'd. Because by introducing 'emergency' Bti spraying, the likely rationale and pattern is that the project has unleashed failure factors at best, or a monster at worst, they know it, and they're trying to cover it up before Hawaiian leadership, and all Hawaiians, and the world know about it. The project claims to have introduced Bti Bacterial Fungicide to enhance proofs of the project's success. In any new experimental test, according to test engineering professional standards, each factor must be tested fully, independently, before combination tests. Wolbachia is the first variable to pass engineering test evaluation, the invasive mosquito species is the second variable, because they are inseparable once in the field, they count as one field test with two test metric rollups. Preserving cohesive boundaries for field testing is essential. By introducing chemical drops of Bti Bacterial Fungicide, the projects claim that this makes their ecosystem engineering look better is entirely the opposite. Introducing the vast dynamics of Bti Fungicide drops into Hawaii's ecosystems, which is a deviation from the plan's playbook, strongly indicates project engineering failure sufficient to require a failover rescue of some sort. Introducing a failover so early in the project telegraphs that some failure known to the project was detected, but was unknown to the sponsors, for which some correction, coverup, or remediation became required to get the project back on track without attracting attention. Had I approved budget according to the original plan, then been told to fund Bti Fungicide, I would have winked at this proof of project failure, and immediately halted all further funding.

Last October my daughter and I hiked remote mountain trails in east Maui and I got 3 mosquito bites. One mosquito bite was entirely normal, but the other two bites were a horrific experience I've never had before. One bite swelled up to a 2 inch pus filled lump that oozed pus like a spigot for a week. The third bite swelled to a 3 inch lump that also leaked runny pus for a week. How does your project provide transparency linked to medical services so that I can investigate and verify each of my 3 mosquito bites? Once I was bit, I spoke with others with the same experience, what are you doing to protect us in terms of a data trail linking your project and medical services? The project appears to have failed any such protective measures, thus indicating design for failing critical safeguards. (pictures available upon request)

Please list each piece of legislation that allegedly allows exposing the human species, that is living men and women, to experimental invasive bacteria inside an invasive species of mosquitoes under the excuse of 'emergency authorization' for an avian species when the laws regarding emergency use clearly pertain to the human species? And if no one there can list that legislation, can you please have someone research and publish the full legislative sequence? Because so far your project demonstrates one over-riding mentality: assumptions that you already have voter approved powers to spray anyone, anywhere, at any time, with any substance that you so wish. Well your personal liability and worldwide laws stand firm witness against you. No one has an "emergency right" nor an "experimental right" to injure another at all, not by

contamination, not by low level biowar, not with any invasive exposure of potential injury to any living man, woman, or child. I and Aina are not for sale under "emergencies" nor for experiments. As for birds, what damage control could matter more than protecting them where they are from any further invasive species.

I've had anaphylaxis 4 times, I moved to Hawaii to avoid as many insects and chemicals as possible that could cause another anaphylactic reaction. So I have questions: How thoroughly will you notify every single person whenever you are going to expose people to Bti larval fungicide, or to invasive mosquitoes, and to all chemicals/contaminations in project deliverables that may harm people like me?

As far as solutions, we would like to require the following level of open transparency so as to guarantee that none of the problems that developed with Aedes mosquitoes in project P-268 ever happen in Hawaii. So before listing the solution, I would like to summarize the P-268 project, one that Colorado State University was involved in. Quoting from the project, "the use of Aedes mosquitoes as biological weapons, exactly the same ones operated by the U.S. military department, is recorded in the class action suit of Cuban citizens against the U.S. government and was submitted to the member States of the Biological Weapons Convention. The class action notes that the 1981 dengue epidemic in Cuba that contaminated 345 thousand people and resulted in the death of 158 persons was the result of the spread of the second dengue virus serotype that had not previously been recorded in the Caribbean and had clear signs of a deliberate nature. Thus, the time of the attack (late January) was chosen in consideration of biological features of the life cycle of mosquito vectors and was optimal for the subsequent development of the epidemic process. In addition, the only place on the island where no cases have been reported was the U.S. Naval Base at Guantanamo due to pre- vaccination of soldiers against the dengue virus type 2."

So for solutions, transparency then must include full state-of-the-art analysis of the following:

- toxicological tests on each batch of feedstock for WB, mosquitoes, and all growth/medicinal inputs at each stage of incubation through to final placement fully auditable
   reporting of all treatments such as growth or sanitization lights, sterilization materials,
- reporting of all treatments such as growth or sanitization lights, sterilization materials, antibiotic treatments, hormone treatments, mold identification and remediation, production, transport, and packaging substances
- all accidents, cross-contamination, anomalies in female placements,
- long-term tracking of all ER adverse episodes, long-term teratogenic population data,
- long term monitoring of key points in the environment for Bti fungicide harms like those found in earlier research of how Bti fungicide is poisoning the environment. See "Study of the environmental impact of insecticides by metabolomic foot-printing approach"
- all reports regarding Hawaii's Biosystematics, Informatics and Genetics as gathered from Hawaii or introduced to Hawaii

- All project, project partner, and spinoff funding must declare and make transparent all genetic related studies and revenue. According to documents produced by the mosquitoes industry, funding surveillance of mosquitoes, their bacteria, and the environment includes, as a major goal, plumbing the riches of the various protein species internal to mosquitoes in order to "establish a pipeline for generating genetic mutants (protein mutants)." Therefore all genetic mutants gathered from the project including all the various protein species internal to mosquitoes and to WB the entire PHIST family that develops in Hawaii be open and transparent to all Hawaiians, and it should include accurate phenotypic analysis for any and all proteins or lipoproteins that may be introduced to a body as alien and potentially. harmful and or teratogenic, mutagenic, etc. Transparency must also include all antidotes for any adverse effects to any living species due to WB or aedes project contamination and injury.
- All imitator antigens, immune priming, and immune intolerance that are found to develop from WB or aedes found within any livestock, wildlife species, or people.
- Monitoring and reporting of chronic illness among livestock and people.

Every species of mosquito are simply akin to an empty gun's bullet chamber that can be loaded with any desired caliber of bullet. In the case of mosquitoes, their system, their proboscis, can transfer varying kinds of pathogens. Hawaii presently has 5 species of mosquitoes with a known and limited pathogen list. You're bringing in a new species of mosquitoes, which historically would certainly be considered an invasive species, and one which is already known to be capable of carrying MORE pathogens that what we have in Hawaii. In addition, Hawaii's environment is a tropical incubation chamber for pathogens throughout our ecosystems. And we have streams, offal piles, septic areas and ditches, and agricultural resources, any of which may incubate and harbor pathogens that prior to now have never had a vector bridge into humans. But you're bringing in an empty gun chamber in the way of the females that could uptake novel pathogens from Hawaii's tropical incubator and, because this species is capable of carrying many pathogens, may act to bridge pathogens from Hawaii's environment to our people. What will you be doing in the field to identify and remediate such injuries? What will you do when your invasive species of mosquitoes and bacteria take some new bacteria from the environment and introduce it to far more species of birds?

How much are you putting in a trust fund to protect Hawaii's tourism and Hawaii's agriculture once word gets out that novel bacteria inside novel mosquitoes made their way into populated areas, because they will with 3000 fertile females allowed per week. What will our new tourism promote: "Come see Maui, world's largest experimental bacteria laden mosquito farm! Free bites and pestilence for all, all inclusive thrills! Take home a memory!"

How much are you putting in a trust for Mollusks and crustaceans, such as the sacred "Ōpae" ula shrimp, can host Wolbachia, once they are contaminated? These crustaceans will for

sure eat infected sterilizing novel mosquitoes and likely their larvae in streams and ponds thus setting them on a sterilization-injection-by-lab- experiment-gone-wrong crash course.

Legislature should insist upon full factory process transparency so we can verify that the factory process that separates females from males has never screwed up, never reversed sorting, never accidentally filling helicopters full of dangerous fertile females let loose in the wilds of Maui and Kauai instead of sterilizing males. (This would seed invasive novel mosquito species (which carry more pathogens) into the islands and might even replace the less pathogenic mosquitoes already here.)

How much will you put in a trust for mold or fungal contamination that would harm Hawaii's crops with dangerous mycotoxins. Plants, molds, and soils, especially in a complex tropical climate with 10,000 endemic species, can interact with lab grown insects in unpredictable ways. Hawaii's many microclimates make for runaway incubators, especially in our commercial agriculture. The project should produce full transparency of male genetics and surface microbes. Males with a novel infection, mold, or bacterial contamination would pose a huge problem and must be fully traceable and transparent.

What safeguards and remediation processes are in place in case lab mosquitos or WB are found to depopulate other insects that are a food source for many birds such as moths. Endangered birds don't replenish their populations very well when they are starving.

How will the project remediate damage control for WB spread to Hawaii's tiny creatures such as lice and bird mites, which are certain to acquire the novel sterilizing Wolbachia and who knows where the experiment will go once it's loose in the mite and lice populations. Most wild chickens for example, carry mites, as do mynah birds, which are everywhere and will bring the "emergency" experiment into our neighborhoods. We need to be able to track and remediate Wb in all HI impacted arthropods including tiny creatures and soils.

Project research traceability & audit: Please provide all prior industry research (your own proprietary research is optional, but is desired and can be redacted) in your archives and correspondence surrounding and supporting your research and production goals regarding wolbachia, Bti bacterial larvicide, mosquitoes, all genetic research, protein species internal to mosquitoes and WB, sterilization research, generational research, terminator research, and field application planning and project management calculations, safeguards and remediation measures.

Throughout my entire career as a systems test engineer, one of the professional sub-tasks I frequently performed was evaluative analysis of the body of systems analysis supporting a project, it's playbook, plans, and project success criteria supports. That left a deep sense filter toward any project I encounter. This project is designed to fail, to be terminated, or to be parlayed, harvested, acquired or transmuted. It cannot succeed as stated, and top level mosquito-as-an-industry promoters know it. One thing is clear: the declared goals, methods, data collection, and knowledge base of this project are not what's advertised. If it were, for one, project supports of success determinants that are missing would be there, and they'd be extensive.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 10:01:18 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Robert Holm-Kennedy	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Family planning is crucial for a healthy society, reduces death and debility, and ultimately saves the government money. I urge you to provide proper access to contraception and family planning for all, regardless of their socioeconomic status. Thank you.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 10:13:26 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Donna Dufault	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

As long time resident of Hawaii island, I request this Bill300 be Stopped. We are not science experiments to be poked, stung, jabbed by some man-made creature.

Allow Mother Nature to do her thing.



## March 17, 2025

Senator Donavan Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Sharon Moriwaki, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

RE: HB 300, HD 1 - RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Hearing Date – March 18, 2025 at 10 a.m.

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to submit testimony in support our budget appropriation requests set forth in HB 300, HD 1 for the 2026 and 2027 fiscal years. Act 103, SLH 2015, codified as HRS Chapter 323F, Part IV ("Act 103") provides for operating and capital subsidies for Maui Health System ("MHS") in connection with its operation of the hospitals. Under HRS §323F-58 and the terms of the Transfer Agreement signed January 14, 2016 between MHS and Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation, the State of Hawai'i, and the Maui Region of Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation (the "Transfer Agreement"), MHS may request operating support payments annually based upon the amounts needed to cover any operating losses of the Hospitals plus a 2% margin, but the amount requested in any year may not exceed the amount appropriated to subsidize the operating costs of the Maui Regional System for the 2014 fiscal year, which was \$38 million. Under HRS §323F-59 MHS may also request support payments for its capital expenditures during the first ten (10) years of MHS' operations of the hospitals in an amount not less than \$6 million.

As you may be aware, I officially joined MHS as the Chief Executive Officer on January 1, 2024. I have worked closely with our team over the last 14 months to understand the terms of the Transfer Agreement and the current financial position of Maui Health. I am honored to be here and serving the Maui and Lana'i communities.

We are grateful for the support provided by the Governor and the State Legislature in sustaining the health care system on Maui and Lana'i. Since our public/private partnership began, we have reduced our total state funding by over \$125 million.

Unforeseen challenges, including the global pandemic, the devastating wildfires on Maui and two labor strikes, have impacted the speed of our progress. While our pace has been slow, the goal remains to provide high quality, reliable and accessible health care on Maui and Lana'i without taxpayer support.

Each year we care for over 50,000 patients in our emergency departments across central Maui, upcountry Kula, and Lana'i. In addition, Maui Health is the sole provider of inpatient psychiatric care on the island and absorbs the cost of those services. Despite progress, we face ongoing economic challenges and seek your continued support as we continue to move towards economic self-reliance and sustainability.

Our commitment extends to caring for over 100 kupuna in long-term care and skilled nursing in Kula and Lana'i, managing both hospitals at near full capacity. Our team continues to work with our community partners to reduce the number of kupuna waiting for access to long-term care or skilled nursing beds but continue to have over 25 patients living in the hospital, utilizing an acute care bed when they need long term care. On Maui, adequate long term care beds are available but remain empty, reportedly because there are not staff available to provide care. We absorb approximately \$4 million in costs while awaiting long-term care availability.

Extended lengths of stay for individuals without a safe discharge plan increase the cost of care in Maui by \$7 million per year. These patients include those who are houseless, have co-occurring substance use disorders, under treated mental illness, those needing an inpatient hospice bed, short term rehabilitation or those who simply need access to life saving antibiotic infusions that are unavailable in remote eastern Maui.

Looking ahead to State Fiscal Year 2026, hospital reimbursement from Medicare, Medicaid and Commercial Insurance companies is increasing by less than 3% while the cost of labor, medical supplies and drugs are forecasted to continue to outpace reimbursement. These facts require that we become more efficient to continue to progress toward our goal.

While these challenges are substantial, we believe they are solvable with sustained effort, funding, and collaboration with other agencies. Maui Health is committed to doing our part in this ongoing work to solidify health care services for our community. Your continued support is appreciated as we navigate these challenges and strive for a sustainable and self-reliant health care model.

Given the information noted above, Maui Health respectfully requests the state's assistance in continuing to provide care to the people of Maui and Lana'i by providing an operating subsidy of \$12 million for Fiscal Year 2026 and \$6 million for Fiscal Year 2027. We appreciate your consideration.

In kindness and appreciation,

Lynn Fulton

Chief Executive Officer

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 10:16:32 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kalawai?a Moore	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Kalawai'a Moore Honolulu, HI 96822 peterm@hawaii.edu 808-778-3808 03/17/2025

Senate Ways and Means Committee Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair and Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee,

Aloha,

I am writing to express my strong support for the inclusion of \$5.5 million for the Waimānalo CARES Center and \$6 million for the Magoon Research and Teaching Station in the state budget bill, HB 300, HD1. These allocations are crucial for our community and will have a significant positive impact on both the residents of Waimānalo and the broader educational and research efforts in Hawaii.

## Waimānalo CARES Center:

The Waimānalo CARES Center plays a vital role in providing essential services and support to the local community. This funding will enable the center to enhance its programs, expand its reach, and improve the quality of life for residents. By investing in this center, we are investing in the well-being and prosperity of our community.

## Magoon Research and Teaching Station:

The Magoon Research and Teaching Station is an important educational and research facility that contributes significantly to Hawaii's academic and environmental initiatives. This funding will support critical research projects, educational programs, and community engagement activities, ultimately benefiting both students and the broader community.

I urge you to approve these allocations as they represent a wise investment in our state's future. These projects align with the values of community support, education, and environmental stewardship that are essential to Hawaii's growth and prosperity.

Thank you for considering my testimony	. I look forward to	o your support	for these important
initiatives.			

Mahalo,

Kalawai'a Moore

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 10:19:25 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Judith Ann Armstrong	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

## Comments:

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 10:37:02 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Diane Ware	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Diane Ware, and I live in Volcano. I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in **HB300** that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail. Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your time and consideration."

Diane Ware Volcano 96785



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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism before the

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00 AM State Capitol, Conference Room 211

In consideration of HB300. HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki and members of the Committee.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism strongly supports HB300, HD1 which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027. DBEDT notes the following concerns with HD1, for your consideration.

## Foreign Trade Zone (BED107/BA)

BED107 CIP- Reinstatement of Hilo AgTech facility removed in HD1. Request of \$6.070M Reimbursable G.O. CIP funds as working capital to construct the Hilo Tropical AgTech facility. The goal of this multiuse innovation center will be to improve small farm competitiveness and profitability, increase food security and resiliency, develop ag related products and intellectual property for export, create higher paying STEM related jobs, and keep local talent in Hawaii. The FTZ has a \$6.1M federal earmark for this project but needs working capital to move the project forward.

## Land Use Commission (Proposed BED103/BED144DA)

• BED103/BED144DA SEQ #30-001 – Typo correction. The salary amount for the Executive Officer (Position No. 100982) is incorrect (\$159,713) and should be corrected to \$164,208.

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## Hawai'i Community Development Authority (BED150/KA)

- BED150 Operating Reinstatement of 1.00 Program Specialist V and funds of \$100,000 each year. Act 97, SLH 2023 established the ninety-nine leasehold program, which included two temporary positions through June 2025. The multiyear endeavor required HCDA to promulgate rules for the sale of the leasehold interest of residential condominium units and develop one project on non-ceded lands within an urban redevelopment site. The project is well underway, and the position is needed to administer the program.
- BED150 CIP Reinstatement of \$30,000,000 total. Appropriated over two years FY2026: \$12,102,000 and FY2027: \$17,898,000 in GO Bonds to design and construct one low-cost residential condominium building of leasehold units for sale to Hawai'i residents on non-ceded state-owned land, withing an urban development site, for 99-Year Leasehold Program Phase 2 (Act 97, SLH 2023).
- BED150 CIP Reinstatement of \$50,000,000 in FY 2027 in General Obligation Bonds for Iwilei-Kapālama Community Development District to construct infrastructure improvements (sewer, water, drainage, transportation, and electric) to support future development at Liliha Civic Center and Mayor Wright Housing. Design will be done with FY 2026 funds.

## Hawai'i State Energy Office (BED120/SI)

- BED120 SEQ#100-001 Reinstatement of \$20,432 to increase the base budget for PN 124584. An increase in the base budget is needed to attract qualified candidates to fill the position. This position is currently vacant. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the mean salary for an economist in Hawai'i is \$100k. The current budgeted salary is \$77,521, this increase would raise the base budget to \$98,000. To attract and retain a qualified employee an increase in the budgeted salary is necessary to be competitive in the current market.
- BED120 SEQ#101-001 Reinstatement of \$97,094 to appropriately fund the
  position of the Chief Energy Officer, established by the Legislature under Act
  122, SLH 2019. Additional funds are needed to cover a payroll shortfall from the
  salary amount currently provided for the position that places the agency's
  statutory head among the lower half of paid positions in the agency at \$80,625.
  The requested salary adjustment will realign the budget with actual costs and
  allow the program to utilize OCE funds now covering the shortfall to support
  critical operational expenses.

DBEDT kindly requests consideration of the following Operating and CIP line items.

## **Operating Requests**

Business Development and Support Division (BED100/SM)

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- \$1,450,000 each year to be used for the Healthcare Workforce Development Program to provide funding for two programs: 1) High School Healthcare Workforce Certificate and 2) CNA to LPN Glidepath Program. Funding for the High School Certificate Program would address the entry-level healthcare workforce shortage by certifying high school students in high-demand healthcare professions. The Glidepath Program is an earn-and-learn pathway that further addresses the healthcare workforce shortage which enables employers to retain employees as they pursue education and career advancement.
- \$1,595,000 each year to be used for the following purposes a) increase workforce capacity and market access for locally made products by supporting training programs that integrate workforce skills with pathways to commercialization, including product development, branding, and sales strategy as a means to enhance economic opportunities for Hawaii-based entrepreneurs and small businesses; b) upskilling opportunities for adult learners, focusing on industry-relevant skills to enhance employability and career transitions (partner with McKinley HS Adult Education); c) provide professional training for school meal development by equipping culinary professionals with the skills needed to develop nutritionally balanced, locally sourced menus for Hawaiii's public schools (in partnership with the University of Hawaii's College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources (CTAHR), the Department of Education (DOE), and the Culinary Institute of America).

## Office of International Affairs (BED101/IA)

\$2,000,000 each year to be used for the East-West Center (EWC) to provide Hawai'i residents with the opportunity to participate in various activities related to the Asia-Pacific region. The East-West Center will expand its outreach activities so that an exponential number of Hawai'i residents can benefit from the outcomes of its work. Funding would result in EWC's ability to convene more conferences in Honolulu, which will foster an infusion of additional funds into the Hawai'i economy by individuals who will travel from out of state to participate in its conferences.

## Land Use Commission (Proposed BED103/BED144DA)

- 7.00 Permanent FTE; 1.00 Temporary FTE, and \$786,875 each year. The Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD) has requested a change to the DBEDT program structure to add (restore) BED 103 from BED144DA, State Land Use Commission, to DBEDT program IDs to promote transparency and accountability to the public and to better align two separate programs with their separate missions within the state program structure. This request would transfer all our LUC budget line items from BED144DA and transfer into BED103. This does not include funding for the existing Land Use Development Coordinator and request the following:
  - \$186,456 (\$93,226 annually) to allow funding for the existing Land Use
     Development Coordinator position (Position No. 125210) which has been

- instrumental in assisting legacy workforce housing projects to address barriers in the development process.
- The salary amount for the Executive Officer (Position No. 100982) is incorrect (\$159,713) and should be corrected to \$164,208.

## Creative Industries Division (BED105/CI)

- 1.00 Program Specialist V (FY26: \$71,016 / FY27: \$71,016).
   Lead position for CID and DBEDT's primary workforce development liaison, integrating industry and education partners, ensuring alignment with the state's economic diversification goals, accelerating job creation and career placement. Responsible for department specific industry cluster pipelines development and implementation. Key position to represent DBEDT on the Workforce Development Council (WDC) and will serve as workforce lead for the Business Revitalization Task Force (Permitted Interaction Group Workforce).
- 1.00 Film Industry Development Specialist V (FY26: \$35,508 / FY27: \$71,016 + fringe). Restores film permitting statutory position, critical to intra state, inter departmental film permitting unit. Reduction of position in SLH 2024 impacts productions coming into state, local productions and the inter-departmental approval process, as the elimination of position reduced a two person team to one position only.

## Foreign-Trade Zone (BED107/BA)

 \$120,000 Special Fund ceiling increase each year to allow for the procurement of one (1) additional forklift to complete fleet replacement and to cover costs of deferred maintenance projects, and other expenses due to inflationary increases.

## Hawai'i Tourism Authority (BED113 – BED118)

- BED114/BM: \$2,773,676 each year. This program globally markets and brands the state of Hawai'i and its islands as a globally competitive leisure and business destination to strengthen tourism's overall contribution to Hawai'i economy. HTA will continue to be present in the major market areas of U.S., Canada, Japan, Korea, Oceania, Europe and China. In addition, HTA seeks to grow the meetings, conventions and incentives (MCI) market. Demand from domestic and international markets is expected to be soft, and there is a continued need for activities for quick return generation of demand, such as market saturation activations and co-op programs. Strong marketing is needed to stabilize the domestic market and rebuild the international markets. The current FY 25 marketing budget is only able to maintain interest and awareness levels.
- BED 114/BM: \$3,000,000 in FY26 for brand marketing, per Governor's Message 4. There is expected softness further into 2025 and 2026. Overcoming market hesitancy to visit Maui can only be accomplished through continued contact, frequent viewership, and relationship building. Activities will focus on short-term activities to increase demand, such as coop programs and in-market activations, and campaigns to show what to do and see.

 BED 114/BM: \$3,000,000 each year for Japan marketing, per Governor's Message 4. Japan market demand will continue to be down through 2027. Activities will focus on short-term activities to increase demand, such as coop programs, in-market activations, and campaigns to show what to do and see.

## Hawai'i Green Infrastructure Authority (BED138/GI)

 1.00 Investment Fund Manager (FY 26: \$211,150 / FY 27: \$217,485) in special funds to include position #125606 (authorized by Act 40, SLH 2024) in HGIA's base budget.

## Director's Office (BED142/AA)

- 1.00 Sports Tourism Manager and funds of \$149,000 each year. This position will play a vital role in promoting Hawai'i as a premier sports tourism destination. The position will be responsible for developing and implementing marketing strategies that attract sporting events, athletes, and spectators to the Hawaiian Islands. Further, this position is critical to promote sport events and activities within the State of Hawai'i and to establish and continue sports networking with our sister states, like Las Vegas, California, and others.
- \$650,000 each year for MACRO will be used for critical workforce development initiatives that equip high school and college students with hands-on experience in defense, cybersecurity, and other high-demand fields. By building the ecosystems that can lead to mentorship, internships, and real-world training, MACRO will work towards strengthening Hawai'i's talent pipeline, ensuring students are prepared for competitive careers that support both the local economy and national security. This ecosystem will not only benefit students but also reinforces Hawai'i's role in innovation and economic growth within the defense sector.
- \$50,000 (FY26) and \$50,000 (FY27) for travel related expenses The Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism (DBEDT) and its attached agencies are responsible for project management of various economic development initiatives, including facilities, infrastructure, and equipment investments across multiple sectors. As part of this responsibility, travel is essential to tour and assess established facilities, meet with industry leaders, and learn best practices that can be applied to projects in Hawai'i. Over the past year, the demand for travel has increased significantly as DBEDT expands its economic development portfolio. Site visits and in-person meetings are critical for evaluating infrastructure projects, engaging with potential partners, and ensuring that investments align with industry standards. This funding will enable DBEDT staff to participate in necessary site visits, conference engagements, and stakeholder discussions, which are essential for the successful implementation of economic development projects statewide.

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> \$8,508 (FY26) and \$8,856 (FY27) in general funds for salary adjustment of Position #42670 from a Program Budget Analyst IV to V. This position is the sole Budget Analyst for the department and processes all budget-related matters. With the addition of the Agribusiness Development Corporation, Stadium Authority, and the Military and Community Relations Office in recent years, as well as the breakout of the Hawai'i Tourism Authority into multiple program IDs, the increased workload and complexity of task assignment warrants a level V position. This position can be readily offered a higher level Budget Analyst in other state agencies due to the demand in the skills and expertise of this position.

# Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation (BED143/TE)

 \$1,000,000 each year for the Manufacturing Assistance Program, Hawai'i Small Business Innovation Research Program, and the Small Business Training / Accelerator program. HTDC firmly believes that these grant programs play a crucial role in leveraging resources and fostering positive economic development throughout the State of Hawai'i which will lead to job creation, sustainable development, and a more resilient and diverse economy for Hawai'i.

# Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (BED144)

- BED144/DA Transfer out 7.00 Permanent FTE; 1.00 Temporary FTE, and \$786,875 each year to BED103/DA. The Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD) has requested a change to the DBEDT program structure to add (restore) BED 103, State Land Use Commission (LUC), to DBEDT program IDs to promote transparency and accountability to the public and to better align two separate programs with their separate missions within the state program structure.
- BED144/PZ \$255,964 each year for Coastal Zone Management Federal Fund Ceiling Increase. Increase appropriation ceiling due to Federal Grant continuing support and inflation.
- BED144/PL 1.00 Special Funds Project Coordinator and administration costs for the second year (FY 2026) of the Hawai'i State Planning Act Phase 2. Additional funding is required to continue this multi-year process to update HRS 226 pursuant to Act 36, SLH 2024.
- BED144/PL 3.00 exempt, filled, temporary FTE and \$282,060 each year.
  Personnel funds are needed to retain staff to continue to support an Economic
  Development District (EDD) designation to unlock additional federal dollars and
  support for economic development and resilience projects across the state.
  Failure to fund these positions will result in the loss of staffing required to
  maintain the EDD designation and benefits.
- BED144/PL 1.00 Permanent FTE (FY 26: \$35,508 / FY 27: \$71,016) for the Statewide Sustainability Branch to support statewide climate and sustainability

coordination/implementation. Established by HRS §225M-8 (Act 45, SLH 2020), the Branch coordinates and implements policies, evaluates legislation, and advises the Governor, Legislature, and agencies on sustainability and climate resilience. Currently, the Branch has only 1.00 FTE (State Sustainability Coordinator). This request would expand capacity to meet climate resilience demands.

- BED144/PL \$45,570 each year to restore full-year funding for 1.00 FTE permanent Planning Program Manager #11310. The personnel costs for this permanent civil service position were reduced by five months of salary when the incumbent was appointed by Governor Green to serve as the Director of the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development for a term-limited appointment with return rights to the position. The salary needs to be restored to 12 months' salary in order for the incumbent to exercise return rights.
- BED144/PZ Convert 5.00 Permanent FTE from federal funds to general funds. This would include an increase of General Funds of \$411,408, and a decrease of Federal funds of \$663,629 each year for the Coastal Zone Management Program (CZM). From 1975 to approx. 2009, the positions were general funded. In 2009, the positions were converted to federal funding following a decline in State revenues. The provision of federal funds from NOAA was temporary, with a condition that the State take active steps to restore State funding for the positions. The restoration of general funds for the positions ensures that the State can satisfy the condition(s) of the federal cooperative agreement to maintain eligibility for CZM to receive its annual award of \$2.5 million.

# Agribusiness Development Corporation (BED170/KB)

\$120,000 revolving fund ceiling increase in FY26 for Attorney General support. The requested position is designed to address the encumbrances associated with the acquisition of the Mililani Tech Park by the ADC. The work will identify if any alternatives to a bridge exist, and address the extensive electrical, sewer and expanded freeway access to the park that are associated with the single lot. With new economic pressures, current tenants are requesting new and expanded use of ceded lands. ADC needs an additional AG to determine if these new uses are within the Executive Orders that came with the ceded lands, implication to ceded land revenues and work with DLNR in developing new precedent governing the use of ceded lands. Some of these queries have included the ability to crush rocks that are found when tilling up soil, the ability to sell sand, and dirt, and the ability to use the lands for purposes outside of agriculture which benefit the economic, environmental and social benefit of the people of Hawai'iin the ADC Statute. Tenants are asking if grant money earned for modifications or permanent changes to the land are revenues shared with OHA & DHHL. ADC is needing expertise in reviewing a Memorandum of Agreement that is in year 18

of a 20-year term to determine what if any liability exists in completing the term for both parties and in determining a strategy moving forward. There is no alternative for this request.

- (1) PERM FTE Crop Commodity Coordinator Salary \$85,765 (FY26) and \$83,315 (FY27)
  - The requested full-time permanent position of Crop Commodity Coordinator will support Hawai'i's agricultural sector by providing strategic guidance, coordination, and market expansion for local crop commodities. This position will focus on identifying high-value crops, improving supply chain efficiencies, and developing strategies to enhance Hawai'i's agricultural competitiveness in both local and export markets. With the state's goal of doubling local food production, there is an urgent need to strengthen coordination among farmers, processors, and distributors. The Crop Commodity Coordinator will play a critical role in supporting growers, facilitating market linkages, and addressing production challenges such as pest and disease management, mechanization, and sustainability practices. This position will also assist in leveraging federal and state programs to support crop innovation and market access, ensuring a stable and resilient agricultural economy for Hawai'i.
- \$500,000 revolving fund ceiling in FY26 for special counsel costs. The Special Counsel is requested for immediate and specialized expertise in the Clean Water Act, NPDES, EPA and environmental litigation not available in the existing AG office. The counsel needs to define a strategy and drafting a response to the HDOH NPDES draft permit by 5/12/25. The response is critical in countering the exponential increase in sampling, testing and monitoring, potential fine of \$60,000/day for noncompliance, inclusion of Kaua'i County with ADC in the permit and upholding exemptions available to agriculture. If the draft permit remains as written, it will be the new level of performance required for HDOA, DHHL, DLNR and all large land owners across the state and significantly increase the cost of local food production while hampering the state's goal of increasing diversified agriculture.
- \$11,591,397 revolving fund ceiling in FY26 for compliance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permits.
   These are the costs for the water sampling, testing and monitoring in order to comply with the conditions of the HDOH NPDES Permit draft as written. The state can expect similar costs for all state-owned water systems across the state.

### Stadium Authority (BED180/SA)

• \$49,500,000 in FY26 to increase the Stadium Development Special Fund (SDSF) ceiling to allow Stadium Authority to allot and expend the funds appropriated in Act 248, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2022, and authorized by proviso 17.3, which

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permitted the deposit of a \$49.5M appropriation into the SDSF. The ceiling increase would enable the Stadium Authority to expend funds toward advancing the New Aloha Stadium Entertainment District (NASED) project. Failure to secure this increase could delay the execution of the stadium development and operation agreement and other NASED project documents.

# **CIP Requests**

# Office of International Affairs (BED101)

 \$5,000,000 in General Obligation (GO) Bonds in FY26 for the East-West Center. Essential/Critical upgrades to address emergencies to remedy dangerous health or safety conditions of facilities that pose significant risk or liability issues, support EWC operations related to asset condition and longevity, and enhance the EWC residential or convening experience.

# Hawai'i Tourism Authority (BED113)

 For the fiscal biennium, HTA initially submitted a \$20,000,000 CIP request to the Governor through DBEDT. However, following the lapsing of \$13.7 million in CIP funds appropriated under Act 248, SLH 2022, and revised project estimates, HTA now requests \$52,000,000 in CIP funds for FY 2026 to fully fund all R&M projects. This increase will support planned Hawai'i Convention Center (HCC) renovations scheduled for completion in calendar year 2026, during the center's modified operating schedule for its roof repair project.

## Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (BED144)

- \$500,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for East Kapolei Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Infrastructure. Funds will be used to prepare a programmatic EIS for the East Kapolei TOD Infrastructure Implementation Plan currently being prepared by OPSD. The Implementation Plan and programmatic EIS will expedite predevelopment work for individual development projects, including housing.
- \$2,000,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for State TOD Planning, Statewide. Plans, feasibility and cost studies, and coordination of TOD projects, TOD public infrastructure requirements, and related environmental review documents for TOD projects in State TOD strategic plan.

# Hawai'i Community Development Authority (BED150)

- \$50,000,000 (\$5,000,000 FY2026, \$45,000,000 FY2027) in General Obligation Bonds for UH West O'ahu Infrastructure Phase 2 to construct roadways and related improvements to support the University of Hawai'i West O'ahu developments.
- \$12,000,000 FY 2026 in General Obligation Bonds for Iwilei-Kapālama
   Community Development District to design infrastructure improvements (sewer, water, drainage, transportation, and electric) to support future development at

Liliha Civic Center and Mayor Wright Housing. The construction funds were requested for FY 2027, but removed in HD1. Respectfully requesting the restoration of \$50,000,000 construction funds for this vital project.

- \$1,000,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for Kaka'ako Makai Planning to facilitate community engagement and help to promote more coordinated development and appropriate urban design among the major landowners and tenants.
- \$2,000,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for Climate Change Impact Assessment to consider the impacts of sea level rise in the Kaka'ako and Kalaeloa community development districts (Act 221, SLH 2023). The HCDA will commence rulemaking that considers the impacts of climate change, sea level rise, climateresilient development, and duty to preserve and protect customary and traditional rights of Native Hawaiians, in the design and siting of buildings in the Kaka'ako and Kalaeloa community development districts.
- \$1,000,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for Kalaeloa Infrastructure EIS District Wide to prepare a programmatic environmental impact statement and archaeological/historical/cultural analyses (ka pa'akai) to cover infrastructure projects, development, and master plan implementation in Kalaeloa.

# Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation (BED160)

- \$20,000,000 in GO Bonds in FY 26 and FY 27 for Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund (DURF) infusion, statewide. DURF funds are used for the acquisition of real property, development, and construction of residential, commercial, and industrial properties, providing loans to the county and private developers as well as loans or grants to other state agencies for infrastructure improvements that are needed to facilitate housing development.
- \$50,000,000 in GO Bonds in FY 26 and FY 27 for Rental Housing Revolving Fund (RHRF) infusion for affordable rental housing, statewide. RHRF provides loans or grants for development, pre-development, construction, acquisition, preservation, and substantial rehabilitation of rental housing units, primarily for households earning up to 60% of area median income (AMI).
- \$75,000,000 in GO Bonds in FY 26 and FY 27 for RHRF Tier II affordable rental housing, statewide. The RHRF Tier II funding will support the development of affordable rental units for households earning over 60% AMI as well as the preservation of naturally occurring affordable housing units.

# Agribusiness Development Corporation (BED170)

• \$4,000,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for Small Animal Slaughterhouse, Oʻahu. For Plans, Design, Construction, and Equipment for establishment of a slaughter facility to meet the growing demand of local grown meat. The facility will help to fulfill the needs of agriculture operations that produce small animals for meat,

such as lamb, goat, hog, which currently have limited access to slaughter facilities.

- \$350,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for Plans, and Design for a statewide Food and Product Innovation Network. These funds support the development of Hawai'i made products to maximize agricultural production. The objective of this project is to create infrastructure where research, development, and innovation can occur and be shared to accelerate the development of Hawai'i made agricultural products. The project will create a network of facilities and expertise in each county to enable acceleration of innovative value-added products for local and export markets.
- \$6,500,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for construction of a postharvest facility on O'ahu. The funds will be used to support active area farm operations. The project will develop significant opportunities for small farmers and farm related businesses to expand. The expansion will trigger demand for food safety and certified washing, packing, and dry/cold storage facilities.
- \$3,000,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for the acquisition of land. TMK (4)3-8-018-001 portion. The funds will be used for the acquisition of actively farmed lands on Kaua'i, preserving the productive lands for agriculture into the future. The lands contain significant irrigation infrastructure owned and operated by the ADC as part of the East Kaua'i Irrigation System.
- \$6,470,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for the Plans, Design, Construction, and Equipment to improve the Kekaha irrigation system on Kaua'i. The funds will be used for development of an irrigation system that will support active farming on over 1,000 acres of highly productive land. The system will also provide infrastructure to support fire mitigation resources in the area.
- \$1,300,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for the acquisition of land and plans for the
  development of a value-added product center in Kohala, Hawaii. TMK (2)5-4009-016. The land is located near existing area farmers and is suitable for
  agriculture production. The acquisition will preserve the property for agriculture
  use.
- \$9,200,000 in GO Bonds in FY26 for the development of plans, design, construction, and equipment for the improvements to agricultural infrastructure in Wahiawa and Waialua, Oʻahu. The state has expanded its agricultural footprint around the Galbraith agricultural lands to increase local food production. The funds for this project will be used to improve connections to well water to provide water for irrigation and food safety water infrastructure to support the utilization of over 500 acres of land.
- \$5,575,000 (FY26) for Land Acquisition, Plan, and Design for a Liquid Egg Facility. The requested funding will support the land acquisition, planning, and

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design of a liquid egg processing facility to strengthen Hawai'i's food security and self-sufficiency. This facility will play a crucial role in addressing the state's fragile egg production infrastructure by processing and distributing locally sourced eggs in a scalable and efficient manner. The recent closure of local egg farms and the impact of avian influenza have highlighted the vulnerability of Hawai'i's egg supply chain. The state's heavy reliance on imported eggs has created a supply bottleneck that makes local food security highly susceptible to external disruptions. A prime example of this challenge is the Hawai'i Department of Education's (DOE) school meal program, which imports significant quantities of liquid eggs to meet nutritional needs for students. According to DOE procurement data, multiple schools purchase liquid eggs from mainland suppliers, demonstrating a continued demand that could be met with local production. The lack of a processing facility prevents local farmers from competing in this market, forcing the state to depend on costly imports. By investing in a liquid egg facility, Hawai'i can:

- o Increase local egg production capacity and processing efficiency.
- o Reduce dependency on mainland imports and enhance food security.
- Provide a stable market for local poultry farmers, creating economic opportunities.
- Support state agencies like DOE in sourcing local, high-quality eggs for school meals.

This investment aligns with Hawai'i's broader agricultural strategy to enhance local food production, reduce costs, and build resilience in the state's food supply chain.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 12:04:22 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Erica Lodahl	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/17/2025 12:18:31 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Tam Dang	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Sexual and reproductive healthcare and education is one of the most effective--monetarily and physiologically--investments that Hawaii can make. Understanding how our bodies and minds work can help us recognize possible signs of disease progression, including reproductive cancers and STIs, prevent unwanted pregnancies and bodily harm, and destigmatize uncomfortable topics, such as sexual dysfunction, infertility, contraception, abortion, and violence against women. The lack of investment can exacerbate disparities between working class individuals and families by continuing the cycle of disadvantage. Without proper education and resources, an individual may not see the signs of disease progression, menstrual cycle phases, and violence, keeping them in a disadvantaged place, where they may require more funds and resources to manage or treat. Preventative care, starting at education and advocacy, can save years of confusion, pain, and frustration for the individual and millions of dollars for the state. Starting with sexual and reproductive health is a paramount step to bettering the whole of women's health.



Testimony Before the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

By David Bissell
President and Chief Executive Officer
Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative
4463 Pahe'e Street, Suite 1, Līhu'e, Hawai'i, 96766-2000

Tuesday, March 18, 2025; 10:00 am
Conference Room #211 & Videoconference

#### House Bill No. 300 HD1 - RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

To the Honorable Chair Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Sharon Y. Moriwaki, and Members of the Committee:

Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative (KIUC) is a not-for-profit utility providing electrical service to more than 34,000 commercial and residential members.

**KIUC strongly supports** continued funding through HB 300, program number LNR404, SEQ # 104-001 (Executive Request: Add Funds for Water Resources LNR404/GC), for the Hawai'i Mesonet, a network of advanced weather stations providing real-time data essential for wildfire prevention, infrastructure protection, and public safety.

As Kaua'i's electric cooperative, KIUC faces growing wildfire risks due to dry, windy conditions exacerbated by climate change. Reliable weather data is critical for assessing fire danger, managing vegetation near power lines, and making informed decisions about de-energizing lines when necessary. The 2012 Kōke'e wildfire, which burned over 3,000 acres, and recent brush fires in West Kaua'i highlight the urgent need for better localized fire weather data. Hawai'i Mesonet stations help track wind speed, humidity, and fuel moisture—key factors in wildfire behavior and prevention.

Severe rainfall events also threaten our infrastructure. The historic April 2018 floods, which dropped nearly 50 inches of rain in 24 hours, demonstrated the need for accurate precipitation and streamflow monitoring to protect substations, power poles, and hydroelectric facilities.

The Hawai'i Mesonet directly supports KIUC's mission by enhancing wildfire prevention and response in a number of ways:

- Enhancing Wildfire Prevention and Response: Real-time fire weather data helps KIUC assess risks and adjust power operations, reducing the need for precautionary shutoffs;
- Protecting Critical Infrastructure Advanced weather monitoring allows KIUC to anticipate and mitigate flooding impacts on substations and power lines; and
- Supporting Renewable Energy Planning Data on wind speeds, cloud cover, and precipitation informs efficient integration of Kaua'i's renewable energy resources.

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As Kaua'i moves toward a more resilient and sustainable energy future, accurate weather data is essential to safeguarding our grid. We urge the Legislature to support continued funding for this vital program.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 12:35:56 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Cassandra Sylvester	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I support maintaining increased QUEST provider payments for applied behavior analysis.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 1:02:39 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Karissa Rowe	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

Jail expansion is the last way we should be using our budget. Incarceration benefits no one. Invest in the people, not in jails.



Submitted on: 3/17/2025 1:30:42 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Noel Shaw	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committee Members:

My name is Noel and I live in Honolulu.

I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in HB300 that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new OCCC, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail.

Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, diversion infrastructure, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your consideration.



Submitted on: 3/17/2025 2:11:36 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Shana Laririt	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

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Submitted on: 3/17/2025 2:53:13 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Andrea Staley	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

Aloha,

My name is Andy and I live in Honolulu. As a member of the Reimagining Public Safety in Hawai'i Coalition, I support a state budget that increases investments in services and programs that build safe and healthy communities.

We are respectfully requesting that you significantly increase investments in the following areas, which are proven by research and data to dramatically increase safety by diverting residents out of the criminal justice system and addressing the root causes of poverty, crime, and violence.

- Permanent supportive housing and transitional housing
- Community-based mental health services
- Youth programs
- Vocational/employment training for living wage jobs
- Restorative Justice and Ho'oponopono

At least 40% of all people in jail in Hawai'i are homeless. There is consensus among justice system actors - including judges, prosecutors, and service providers - that people suffering from mental illness and substance abuse disorder should be diverted out of jail and into treatment and housing. This would dramatically shrink the jail population, *but to succeed, the state must fund diversion infrastructure*.

We are also in a time of fiscal crisis, and the state cannot afford to adequately fund diversion while also spending enormous amounts on expanding jails and prisons. Given this reality, *please* remove appropriations for the following projects.

- \$30 MIL for planning and design of OCCC jail
- \$10 for DCR Statewide Master Plan
- Millions more for jail and prison expansion

As our elected representatives, you have the opportunity to finally move our state past the failed approach of funding more policing and incarceration which has not made us safer, toward the proven strategy of funding services and programs that address the root causes of poverty, crime, and violence.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 3:15:26 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Glorianne Garza	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

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Glorianne Garza

Volcano, HI

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 3:37:43 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Bella	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

### Comments:

My name is Bella Lynch and | live in Honolulu.

I'm testifying in opposition to provisions in HB300 that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building of a new occc, but we don't need a new, \$1 billion jail.

Hawai'i currently does not have adequate funding or resources allocated for reentry programs, which are essential to get individuals set up for success to live long, healthy lives. As it stands, tax payers pay \$112,000 anually per incarcerated individual, compared to the \$30,000 it costs to provide permanent supportive housing.

We need to prioritize funding youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, diversion infrastructure, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintegration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable.

Mahalo for your consideration.

# TESTIMONY FROM THE STONEWALL CAUCUS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF HAWAI'I

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

March 18, 2025

# Testimony in Strong Support of House Bill 300 HD1 RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET

Aloha Chair, Vice Chair, and esteemed Members of the Committee:

My name is Abby Simmons, Chair of the Stonewall Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and I am testifying on behalf of our Caucus in strong support of HB300 HD1, which appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

A critical component of this bill is the allocation of \$3,000,000 for each fiscal year to support reproductive health and family planning services. This funding is essential to maintain access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care for Hawai'i residents, particularly those served by safety net providers like Planned Parenthood.

Safety net providers play a vital role in delivering essential health services, including contraception, cancer screenings, STI testing and treatment, and prenatal care. They ensure that all individuals, regardless of income or insurance status, have access to necessary health care. The proposed funding will help these providers continue offering high-quality care and address the unique needs of our diverse communities.

Without this financial support, many safety net providers may face significant challenges, potentially leading to reduced services or closures. Such outcomes would have devastating effects on Hawai'i residents, especially those in underserved areas who rely heavily on these services. Ensuring stable funding for reproductive health and family planning is not only a matter of public health but also one of equity and social justice.

I urge the committee to approve the proposed funding in HB300 HD1 to safeguard access to essential health care services for all Hawai'i residents.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Abby Simmons (she/her)
Chair & SCC Representative
Stonewall Caucus
Democratic Party of Hawai'i
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Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

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IN SUPPORT of GIA funding for Catholic Charities Hawaii/

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Your support of the Grant-in-Aid request of Catholic Charities Hawaii for Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center helps seniors like me to remain independent and active in the community. Mahalo. PRINT Name: Maggia/ Win [-1. /hokolo]

My Zip Code: 9689

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to our overall well being

who live close by and servious accross the Island.

PRINT Name:	Linda	DR-		
City where I live:	Alena		My Zip Code:	96817

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as a retired state worker, Lanskela Senior Center gives me many opportunities to be with other kupuna. I'm learning to dance the hula, play whalele, line dancing, exercise with weights, american Sign Ranguage, Tai Chi, stretching and singing. We also go out to care fromes to entertain the residents with whalele music, singing and hula.

In 2020 COVID kept us in our homes. But I deln't ful in isolation because handled offered classes on From and felt connected.

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PRINT Name: Lynne Howells

City where I live: Honoluly

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PRINT Name: JEAN SUGIHARA		
City where I live: HonoLul	My Zip Code: <u>96817</u>	

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PRINT Name: Mae Hong	
City where I live: Honolulu	My Zip Code: 96817

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PRINT Name: Elizabeth Tyrine

City where I live: Hanlulu

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My Zip Code: 96826

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The appreciate all the activities they provide which we enjoy & heeps us healthy!

Mahalo!

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PRINT Name: SHARON NAKAI

City where I live: HONOLULU

My Zip Code: 26817

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PRINT Name: Myunghee	Sweno
City where I live: Honolulu	My Zip Code: 96818

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PRINT Name: JOSHIKO KUMURA

City where I live: Worpottu My Zip Code: 96797

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PRINT Name: Yoi Endo	
City where I live: Honolala	My Zip Code: <u>96818</u>

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PRINT Name:	Yvonne Chi	n .	
City where I live:	Honolula	My Zip Code:	96821

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active in the community. Mahalo.

PRINT Name: Randa/ M. C. Lay

City where I live: Honolala

My Zip Code: 9682/

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activities to help them cope with their daily activities.

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be very devastating or for many seniors this is the only

place they come to. This senior center keeps their lives

enriched, keeps them active a Young at heart!"

PRINT Name: Diana F	Kawaguchi		
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City where I live: Kachua		My Zip Code: _	96734

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City where I live: Mililaui My Zip Code: 96789

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City where I live: LANSOHY	My Zip Code:	96744

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PRINT Name: Parbora Sos attores

City where I live: #104

My Zip Code: <u>46781</u>

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Why is funding for Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center important:

After I refired, going to Lanatila Senior Center has been my main place for keeping busy and involved. I am so happy with all the classes and events and other special things the center provides to keep me happy and involved. I really feel this place has enriched my life tremendously. I love it here.

PRINT Name: _	Julie	Anne Tamey	1001	
City where I live	e: Hone	lulu	My Zip Code: _	96817

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PRINT Name:	Jun Murahami		
City where I live: _	1 Amplulu	My Zip Code: _	9682

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flex d'bit and club meetine opace.

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week to socialize and interact with other Seriore.

PRINT Name: _	Sandra	Lun	****	
City where I live	: Kanesh	e	My Zip Code:	96744

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Funding the Lanakila MP Senior Ctr. would benefit all the active seniors that participate in the programs the their offer. I look forward to coming here because I can find messages a fligers that I find will help me.

PRINT Name:	Elaine	Madrid		
City where I live:	Honola	lu	My Zip Code:	96819

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PRINT Name: Hoyd lasaler

City where I live: Kapole My Zip Code: 96707

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My Zip Code: <u>96819</u>

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Why is funding for Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center important:

It provides an essential service to the services — providing exercise, education, and social activities. With multiple and various activities, they provide services for many ethnicities. It is an important center for the seniors.

PRINT Name:	Satsuki	High	<u> </u>	
City where I live:	Honolula		My Zip Code:	96817

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Why is funding for Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center important:

Lanakela Multi-Purpose Senior Center provides invaluable classes and opportunities for social interaction and stimulation such a wonderful variety of physical exercise and informative speakers!

PRINT Name: Gayle	Fukunaga		
<i>(</i> )			
City where I live: Hea		My Zip Code: _	96701

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PRINT Name: _	JOAN	KINA			
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City where I live	: HOA	10 LU LU		My Zip Code: _	968/7

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PRINT Name:	Dennis	Kono		
City where I liv	e: Honol	lulu	My Zip Code: _	96817

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Volunteering keep is busy,
We get to meet and make new friends;
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PRINT Name: Jean Sugil ama		
City where I live: +mo/u/4	My Zip Code: <u>16</u> বি	

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This is the best place to exercise, Stimulate my mind and nave lots of fun with other senior members my age A safe and well organized place.

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PRINT Name: Hope Hironaga

City where I live: Pearl City My Zip Code: 94782

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It is important because it keeps me active and keeps my mind stimulated.

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PRINT Name: Sarah Swisher

City where I live: Honolyly. My Zip Code: 96813

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extivities, lectures, community service to keep services hearthy, engaged, socialized, active, informed, and happy!

PRINT Name:	Irene Hino		
City where I live: _	Honolulu	My Zip Code:	96822

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City where I live:	HONDE	<i>able</i>	My Zip Code:	76817	

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LMPSC garvices hurdreds of kegena daily via classes, field trips, etc... Not only do us gain valuable information and originant, but first a foremost, the socialization is vital!

For many of us, LMPSC is a home away from home — contributes greatly to our physical a emotional wallness.

PRINT Name:	Rosie	Ramire		
City where I live:	Paul	CTLY	My Zip Code:	96783

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PRINT Namé:	Donald Chun		
City where I live:	Hono laly	My Zip Code: _	96817

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Submitted on: 3/17/2025 6:14:19 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Carol Taylor	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

The release of millions of *Wolbachia*-bacteria-infected mosquitoes on our fragile ecosystems on Maui and Kaua'i is irresponsible and dangerous. No studies have been done on the potential significant impacts of these projects or on the serious risks to the health of our islands' people, wildlife, and 'āina. No environmental impact statement (EIS) has been completed for any island. There are many concerns for this reckless and experimental program.

I urge you to use caution and do not implement this program.

Thank you.

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 7:18:49 PM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Marc-Anthony Gamboa	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Committe Members:

My name is Marc Gamboa and I live in Kaimuki. I'm tesityfing in opposition to provisions in HB300 that expand mass incarceration and the building of a new \$1 billion super jail.

Budgets reveal what and who we care about. The proposed budget includes an appropriation for the building fo a new OCCC, but we don't need a new \$1 billion jail. This amount of money for a jail would be a huge mistake and stain on Hawaii's identity.

Instead, we need to fund youth and education programs, affordable housing, job training, diversion infrastructure, family strengthening and violence interruption programs, community-based health, treatment and reintergration programs rooted in evidence-based practices, and restorative justice to help us build communities that are safe, healthy, and equitable. Let's address the root of this issue of crime by investing in actual solutions to crime. \$1 billion for a new jail would be a slap in the face of our population and would not address the root of crime in Hawaii.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Submitted on: 3/18/2025 12:39:15 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Shelley Hussey	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

#### Comments:

I am against releasing dangerous mosquito experiments on any of the Hawaiian Islands and I'm against sending any money towards this reckless experiment and want it stopped immediately before it harms our people and our ecosystem. It's foolish and should not be done on our island. How foolish to take such a dangerous risk. I hope they get the names of those that agree to doing this and announce it to the public so we know who are resposible for doing this.

Submitted on: 3/18/2025 5:54:54 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Ruben Ongos	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

# Comments:

I STRONGLY OPPOSE FUNNELING STATE BUDGET RESOURCES INTO CONTINUATION OF THIS RECKLESS ONSLAUGHT ON OUR ENVIRONMENT!!

I OPPOSE THIS BILL



#### DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY • COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

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March 18, 2025

TESTIMONY OF KAWIKA UYEHARA, DEPUTY DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY, COUNTY OF HAWAII

HEARING BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

DATE: Tuesday, March 18, 2025

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 211 & Videoconference

# HB 300 HD1 - RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET LNR404, SEQ # 104-001

Honorable Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Moriwaki, and committee members,

The enhancements to Hawai'i's climate and hydrologic monitoring capacity proposed in this bill will greatly assist us in fulfilling our mission as stewards and stakeholders associated with managing water and environmental resources effectively. Therefore, the County of Hawaii, Department of Water Supply (DWS) strongly supports HB 300 HD1, LNR404, SEQ #104-001.

Reliable, real-time weather data is essential for managing Hawai'i Island's vast and diverse water systems. The Hawai'i County Department of Water Supply (DWS) depends on accurate climate monitoring to address the island's highly variable rainfall, prolonged droughts, and extreme weather events. The Hawai'i Mesonet provides the detailed environmental data necessary to safeguard our water supply, support conservation efforts, and strengthen infrastructure resilience. The Hawai'i Mesonet is critical to DWS operations, providing data that helps:

- Enhance Water Conservation & Supply Management Real-time rainfall and soil moisture data improve groundwater recharge assessments, ensuring responsible aquifer use and reducing unnecessary pumping.
- Improve Drought Preparedness Long-term precipitation and temperature trends inform adaptive water management strategies, helping DWS anticipate shortages and allocate resources effectively.
- Support Infrastructure Resilience Temperature and soil moisture data help identify areas where aging pipelines are at greater risk of leaks or breaks, allowing for targeted maintenance and upgrades.
- Manage Wildfire Risk Many of DWS's sources and infrastructure are in fire-prone areas.
   Mesonet stations track wind, temperature, and humidity conditions, aiding in wildfire risk mitigation and emergency planning.

With 27 Mesonet stations already operating on Hawai'i Island, this network has proven invaluable in monitoring changing weather patterns and protecting our water supply. Continued investment in the Hawai'i Mesonet will ensure that DWS has the data needed to plan for future challenges, maintain critical infrastructure, and safeguard water resources for generations to come.



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We urge the Legislature to support continued funding through bill HB300 HD1, program number LNR404, SEQ #104-001 for this vital program.

Please feel free to contact me at (808) 961-8050 or via email at <a href="mailto:dws@hawaiidws.org">dws@hawaiidws.org</a> with any questions you may have regarding DWS' comments. Thank you for your time and consideration of our testimony on HB 300 HD1.

Submitted on: 3/18/2025 7:18:11 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Teri L Skillman	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

Please fund \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. Please do NOT fund \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC and \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should be funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing, not a new prison.

Mahalo nui,



To: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Hearing Date/Time: Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 10:00 AM

Place: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 211 Re: Comments only regarding HB 300 HD1

Dear Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair, Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair and Members of the Committee:

Members of Indivisible Hawai'i thank you for this opportunity to submit comments on HB 300 HD1 Relating to the State Budget.

We support funding \$3 million in family planning to ensure low-income and underinsured patients can continue accessing reproductive healthcare. We do NOT support funding \$30 million for planning the proposed new jail to replace OCCC, nor \$10 million for a 10-year Department of Corrections Statewide Master Plan. We should prioritize funding healthcare, public education, free meals, and affordable housing vs. a new prison.

Sexual and reproductive health care is one of the most powerful and cost-effective investments Hawai'i can make. For every \$1 invested in family planning, Hawai'i saves at least \$7 on unintended pregnancy costs and long-term social costs – savings that can be directed towards other critical services.

Hawai'i's safety net providers are facing rising costs, workforce shortages, and increased patient volumes. **On Neighbor Islands, access to reproductive health care is especially dire**. On top of these challenges, we all know the hostile administration in Washington, D.C. is threatening to make devastating cuts to critical health care services. Please act now to protect Hawai'i women and families.

Sincerely, Indivisible Hawai'i

We're a grassroots movement of thousands of local Indivisible groups with a mission to elect progressive leaders, rebuild our democracy, and defeat the Trump agenda. In Hawai'i, we have ten groups across four islands, representing over a thousand prodemocracy citizens.

<u>HB-300-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/18/2025 7:59:44 AM

Testimony for WAM on 3/18/2025 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Kencho Gurung	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill