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The Chairman,
Maternity Services Committee,
Board of Health,
Health Dept., WELLINGTON

23th July 1930

Dear Sir,

re: Maternity Services Committee

You will have received a number of submissions from home birth groups and from midwives. We are concerned that the committee ~~Secretary~~ receive appropriate and adequate information setting out the benefits of birth at home. If we can be of any assistance with specific information, please let us know.

We would like to suggest that the Committee could be improved with further representation and would suggest that a domiciliary midwife presently in practice should be co-opted and that further consumer representation would be advisable. We have received support for this proposal from a number of members of parliament who are keen to see alternative birth options continue.

Perhaps we could assist by commenting on submissions received to date which oppose a domiciliary service.

Yours sincerely,

Barbara Macfarlane