

## NORTHERN TERRITORY: KIDS DON'T BELONG IN PRISON CELLS

Youth justice in the Northern Territory is in crisis – the Country Liberal Party (CLP) has lowered the age of criminal responsibility to 10, reintroduced spit hoods and continues to detain children in overcrowded youth detention centres and adult watch houses, with Aboriginal children disproportionately affected. The refusal to allow UN OPCAT inspectors signals a retreat from international obligations.

We are calling on the CLP to immediately raise the age of criminal responsibility, permanently ban the use of spit hoods, and ensure all youth justice policies adhere to human rights standards — children cannot wait any longer.

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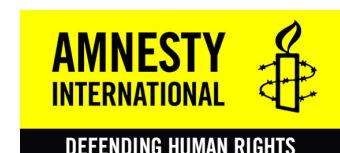
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