Human rights: where are they? It has now been over 10 years since the Northern Territory Intervention was forced on communities in the NT and Racial Discrimination Act was suspended in order to roll it out.

This so-called ‘Emergency Response’ saw the military sent to remote Aboriginal communities, Aboriginal land compulsorily acquired by the state, dramatically increased policing, the abolition of CDEP jobs and the introduction of welfare quarantining, among many other brutal and paternalistic measures.

Indigenous health expert Pat Turner has described the Intervention as a “complete violation of the human rights of Aboriginal people”. Now, this punitive policy continues under the guise of ‘Stronger Futures’, and continues to fail First Nations people.

Rosalie Kunoth-Monks OAM from the Eastern Arrernte describes the intervention as an abusive assault, done with impunity, on our people. ‘How long,’ she asked, ‘are we – collectively as Australians – going to tolerate this outrage, these unmentionable crimes committed against my people?’

Aboriginal children continue to be removed from their families at an alarming rate, incarceration of Indigenous people has more than doubled, and the rate of suicide for Indigenous people in the Northern Territory has increased sixfold since the commencement of the Intervention.

And yet despite this disastrous failure, we can begin to see the spread of some of these policies to other areas under the guise of Healthy Welfare Card. The Government does not feel any shame in continuing the Intervention and expanding these draconian policies to other underprivileged (especially to high Aboriginal populated) areas in Australia.

So we ask; where are the human rights?

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Friday 8 Dec 2017 5.30 for 6pm start
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