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From: Katrina Haller <katrina.haller@righttolife.com.au>
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 9:23 AM
To: 'minister@border.gov.au'
Subject: The Right to Life Australia and Troy Newman

the Hon Peter Dutton
Minister for Immigration

Dear Mr Dutton,

The Right to Life Australia has invited Troy Newman as a speaker at our forthcoming conference on October 2nd. He is President of a leading anti-abortion group in the U.S. - Operation Rescue. Mr Newman and his group have been in the news in the U.S. and elsewhere very recently, as they have been able to reveal the actions of Planned Parenthood, the leading provider of abortion in that country in being involved in the lucrative sale of body parts from babies aborted late into pregnancy.

This has occurred through a very successful undercover operation and has led to much outcry in the U.S. resulting in legislative action in both the Congress and numerous State legislatures.

A small group of women M.P.s from the ALP are seeking to prevent the entry of Troy Newman to this country.

In so doing they are seeking to deny freedom of speech not only to Right to Life Australia but to all those in this country who oppose the burgeoning abortion industry that flourishes courtesy of taxpayers' monies.

For the record, Mr Newman is not a convicted criminal -rather a father of six adopted children who is on record as stating his opposition to the use of violence by those who oppose abortion.

Those who seek to prevent his visit to this country are on record as members of Emily's list, as being in favour of abortion on request. They have seized upon a statement in an earlier book by Mr Newman in which he equates an abortionist with those who invite the death penalty in the U.S. by the taking of a human life.

As we know, capital punishment is not allowed in this country. Right to Life Australia does not believe in capital punishment. However we are all aware that capital punishment in a majority of U.S. States (not all) is applicable to those who commit acts of homicide. It is obvious that this is the case in the U.S. because a majority of elected legislators agree with it. Would we prevent one of these politicians from visiting our country because they are in favour of capital punishment? Or because they fail to take action on badly needed gun control?

I trust that the government will not accede to the request of these women M.P.s which is purely an attempt to deny freedom of speech.

Yours sincerely,

Right To Life Australia Inc

From: Right To Life Australia Inc [rtl@rtlaust.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 1:54 PM
To: 'minister@border.gov.au'
Subject: Troy Newman's attitude to abortionists - Right to Life Australia

Dear Mr Dutton,

In the book "Abortion Free" by Troy Newman and Cheryl Sullenger, published in 2014, page 132 is the response to the shooting of abortionist George Tiller::

"Operation Rescue Denounces the Killing of Abortionist Tiller

May 31 2009

Wichita, KS – It has been learned today that George Tiller was shot and killed while entering his church on Sunday morning, May 31.

Operation Rescue releases the following statement:

We are shocked at this morning's disturbing news that Mr Tiller was gunned down. Operation Rescue has worked for years through peaceful, legal means, and through the proper channels to see him brought to justice. We denounce vigilantism and the cowardly act that took place this morning. We pray for Mr Tiller's family that they will find comfort and healing that can only be found in Jesus Christ."

Yours sincerely

Margaret Tighe, President

was listed as the one to contact for information about our prayer vigils and other activities, so such calls were routine.

Nothing we knew about Roeder could have tipped us off to what he had planned, though Cheryl was uncomfortable with him for reasons she couldn't quite pinpoint. If there were two people standing in the hallway outside the courtroom, she would go talk to the other person and not him. He seemed to her to be a bit on the creepy side.

Imagine our shock and dismay when a news camera recording the towing of Roeder's car after his arrest zoomed in on a piece of paper lying on the dashboard, which read, "Op Rescue Cheryl" and below it her cell phone number.

Instantly, Cheryl began receiving death threats literally by the hundreds. No one bothered to find out why Roeder had her number. It was just assumed that she was part of a conspiracy to murder Tiller, when in reality nothing could have been further from the truth. To this day, she still has to endure false accusations from radical pro-abortionists who routinely take to the Internet to spread their slander concerning her fictitious involvement in Tiller's death.

My cell phone as well as the office phones received hundreds of calls and voice mails with additional threats to our and our families' lives. Our website was inundated and crashed. It was a frightening time. We stopped all interviews and tried to let sanity prevail. We closed the office for a few days in the interest of safety.

After a few trying days, our website was restored and we began posting stories unrelated to Tiller's murder. We tried to continue with "business as usual," even though much of my time was spent on the phone with attorneys in the event we were questioned.

We never were. In fact, we were contacted by the Wichita Police Department out of concern for our safety. We were given tips on how to improve our security, and a phone number to call if we had any concerns.

Soon after Tiller died, we received some shocking news. We were

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Though the incident had just happened, news was spreading fast by word of mouth through this close-knit community. Phones were ringing all over the city. We didn't yet know all the details or who the suspect was, but we understood that people would want to hear from us.

We put out the following carefully worded and tasteful press statement, bearing in mind the need for sensitivity to the grieving Tiller family:

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Then we waited to hear more. It wasn't long before our phones started ringing, and they didn't stop for weeks.

Our first call was from a reporter from whom we learned that the man suspected of killing Tiller was Scott Roeder. Scott was a quiet loner who lived somewhere in the Kansas City area and was primarily interested in attending any legal hearings related to abortionists. He had taken a particular interest in the Tiller case and phoned Cheryl from time to time to inquire about the date and time of court proceedings, as did many people during the trial. Cheryl's cell phone number