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Dear Sir/Madam

In 2012 my depressed mother was killed by euthanasia activist Wim Distelmans who gave her a lethal injection. Distelmans who is the co-chairman of the Belgian Federal Control and Evaluation commission used the Belgian act on euthanasia to kill my mother.

Since the death of my mother I have been questioning the Belgian euthanasia law. The story of my mother was published in The New Yorker (<http://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2015/06/22/the-death-treatment>).

I have 'experienced' the Belgian law and I saw how it was initially meant for people who were terminally ill. However, in Belgium nowadays euthanasia is granted for non-terminally ill people having autism, depression, borderline disorder, blindness etc.

An euthanasia law is really a Pandora's box. It will lead to many unexpected unresolvable problems. I urge the Parliament of Victoria not to choose for the Belgian path.

Sincerely

Dr. Tom Mortier

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