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It is the role of governments to protect the lives of its citizens, especially the most vulnerable - those who are old or sick or open to coercion.

There is enough direct and indirect pressure on the elderly now ("I am just a burden/You are just a burden"). With any legalization of euthanasia, can you imagine what the pressure will be then, especially if this is reinforced by any corrupt or selfish relatives?

I do not believe it is possible to create any safe legislation that will adequately control legalized euthanasia. We have already seen how so-called "safeguards" have been sidestepped in legislation overseas. Do we really want to become another Netherlands or Belgium where even children are subjected to assisted suicide? I certainly do not.

Please do not give anyone the legal power to kill another.

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