

I received your and email and would like to submit that the work Aboriginal people had to do and the place where it was performed was controlled by the Government and the money was spent on major infrastructure like the Princess Alexandra Hospital and other major works. Many older Aboriginal people complain to me that their parents were never able to get that money while they were alive and the family lived in poverty as a result but they want to know why they cannot pursue that right because they are the next of kin. They believe the Government deliberately waited until many of the claimants were dead to deal with the issue.

Recommendation: the next of kin of Aboriginal workers who have died before their claims were resolved, either be entitled to claim on their kin's behalf or should be granted shares in the major infrastructure their kin's wage was used to build.

Best Regards
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