



## **Australian Government**

Australian Government response to the  
The Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Recognition relating to  
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples report

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## OVERVIEW

On 19 March 2018, the Parliament agreed that a Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Recognition relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People be appointed to inquire into and report on matters relating to constitutional change, including the proposal for the establishment of a First Nations Voice. The final report was presented 29 November 2018.

## GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

The Government notes the recommendations. Given the passage of time since the report, the Government provides the following update:

The Government delivered on its commitment to hold a referendum on constitutional recognition through a Voice to Parliament on Saturday 14 October 2023.