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Submission to the Parliamentary inquiry into the growing presence of inauthentic Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander 'style' art and craft products and merchandise for sale across Australia.

Question 1 - How does Fake Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art effect you and your community? Why is it important to do something about this?

It is taking potential earnings away from the original people.

Question 2 - Should the Federal Government change the laws relating to Fake Art? What changes do you suggest?

Yes.

Impose big taxes on fake imports to make originals affordable by contrast.

Question 3 - What can we do to better promote and support the creation of authentic Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts?

Advertising campaign - to be shown on the planes to let visitors know the real situation

Question 4 - What else can we do as a community to stop Fake Art?

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