

## **Senate Select Committee on COVID-19**

### **ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

#### **Australian Government Response to COVID-19 Pandemic**

##### **Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** National Indigenous Australians Agency

**Topic:** Consideration of constitutional recognition – this term of parliament

**Senator:** Gallagher

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**Type of question:** Written

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#### **Question:**

Has the Agency provided advice to the Government in relation to holding a referendum on constitutional recognition in this term of Parliament, including in relation to the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic? When was the advice provided? What was the nature of the advice?

#### **Answer:**

The Agency has advised the Government on the constitutional and legal timeframes and requirements for holding a referendum to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians in the Constitution in this term of Parliament.