

APPENDIX 2

Public hearings

Friday, 1 April 2011 - Perth

Witnesses:

Ms Judith Hendriksen - Private capacity

Ms Anita Welsh - Private capacity

Adoption Jigsaw

Ms Ann Allpike, Administrator and Researcher

Ms Isabel Andrews, Coordinator/Counsellor

Adoption Research and Counselling Service

Mrs Jennifer Newbould, Counsellor/Manager

Mrs Lisa McDonald, Committee Member

Apology Alliance

Ms Christine Cole, Convenor

Ms Suzanne MacDonald - Private capacity

**Association Representing Mothers Separated from their Children by Adoption
WA**

Ms Shirley Moulds, Founding Coordinator

Ms Carmel Ipock, Coordinator

Ms Lynne Devine, Secretary

Wednesday, 20 April 2011 – Melbourne

Witnesses:

VANISH Inc

Mr Leigh Hubbard, Chair

Mr Ian Coles, Manager

Origins Victoria

Mrs Jean Argus, Secretary

Mrs Elizabeth Edwards, Convenor

Mrs Patricia Gall, Committee Member

Ms Lynette Kinghorn, Treasurer

Apology Alliance

Mrs Barbara Maison, Member

June Smith – Private capacity

Mrs Mary Wood – Private capacity

Mr Michael O'Meara – Private capacity

Care Leavers Australia Network

Mr Michael Bamfield, Member

Monash University

Professor Denise Cuthbert, Professor of Sociology

Professor Marian Quartly – Private capacity

History of Adoption Project

Professor Shurlee Swain, Chief Investigator

MacKillop Family Services

Ms Jenny Glare, Manager, Heritage and Information Service

Ms Brenda Coughlan – Private capacity

Women's Electoral Lobby Australia

Dr Kathleen MacDermott, Member, Victoria Executive

Forum

Ms Lily Arthur, Coordinator, Origins Inc.

Ms Alexandra Bird, Private capacity

Ms Spring Blossom, Private capacity

Ms Susan Bryce, Private capacity

Ms Isabell Collins, Private capacity

Ms Leonie Horin, Private capacity

Mrs Dorothy Kowalski, Treasurer, ARMS (VIC) Inc

Mr Roy Legro, Private capacity

Ms Kim Menta, Private capacity

Mrs Pru Murphy, Private capacity

Mrs Marilyn Murphy/Webse, Private capacity

Ms Lynnette Newington, Private capacity

Mrs Catherine O'Dwyer, Convenor, ARMS (VIC) Inc.

Ms Charlotte Smith, Private capacity

Wednesday, 27 April 2012 – Brisbane

Witnesses:

Ms Kathryn Rendell – Private capacity

Mrs Bernadette Wallman – Private capacity

Link-Up, Queensland

Dr Melisah Feeney, Chief Executive Officer

Miss Ruth Link, Social and Emotional Wellbeing Counsellor

Mrs Rosemary Rennie, Family Research Officer

Stolen Generations Alliance Inc

Ms Gillian Brannigan, National Coordinator

Mrs Rosemary Baird, Executive Secretary

Ms Leonie Pope, Convenor, SGA Adoption Subcommittee

Ms Heather Shearer, South Australian Aboriginal Delegate

Adoption Loss Adult Support (ALAS)

Miss Patricia Large, Co-Founder and Coordinator

Mrs Margaret Hamilton, Member

Mrs Therese Hawken, Member

White Australian Stolen Heritage

Ms Kerri Saint, Chair

Origins Queensland Inc

Ms Linda Bryant, Coordinator

Mr Matthew Cotterell – Private capacity

Ms Susan Treweek – Private capacity

Jigsaw Queensland Inc

Dr Trevor Jordan, President

Forum

Ms Angela Barra, Private capacity

Mrs Rhonda Grant, Private capacity

Ms Susan Kelly, Manager, Post Adoption Support, Queensland

Miss Patricia Large, Co-Founder and Coordinator, Adoption Loss Adult Support

Ms Julie Morgan-Thomas, Member, Origins

Mr William North, Private capacity

Ms Susan Treweek, Private capacity

Ms Aleisa Woodward, Private capacity

Friday, 29 April 2011 – Sydney

Witnesses:

Mr Erik Spinney – Private capacity

Mrs Gabrielle McGuire – Private capacity

International Social Service Australia

Mr Damon Martin, Manager, New South Wales Office

The Benevolent Society

Ms Maree Walk, General Manager, Operations

Ms Sarah Fogg, Senior Policy Manager

Ms Janet Henegan, Team Leader, Post Adoption Resource Centre

Origins Inc

Mrs Lily Arthur, Coordinator

Mrs Lizzy Brew, Member

Ms Valerie Linow, Committee Member

DES Action Australia, New South Wales

Mrs Carol Devine, Coordinator

Apology Alliance

Ms Christine Cole, Convenor

Ms Cassandra Cooke, Secretary, Stolen White Generation

Ms Robin Turner, Member

Family Inclusion Network, New South Wales (FIN NSW)

Dr Frank Ainsworth, President

Dr Patricia Hanse, Secretary

Ms Meryanne Bonnici, Parent Member

Forum

Ms Kellie Beuganey, Private capacity

Mrs Allison Bosley, Private capacity

Ms Jennie Burrows, Private capacity

Mrs Louise Greenup, Private capacity

Mrs Christine Hamilton, Private capacity

Mrs Carol Helmrich, Member, Origins

Ms Hanet Henegan, Team leader, Post Adoption Resource Centre, The Benevolent Society

Ms Kate Howarth, Private capacity

Mrs Irene Knight, Private capacity

Ms Vikki Lewis, Private capacity

Ms Maureen Melville, Private capacity

Miss Gabrielle Mittermayer, Private capacity

Ms Heather Painter-Williams, Private capacity

Ms Therese Pearson, Member, Origins Newcastle

Mr Erik Spinney, Private capacity

Ms Kim Taylor, Private capacity

Ms Pamela Vernon, State Ward Representative, Origins, New South Wales State Representative, Alliance for Forgotten Australians

Thursday, 22 September 2011 – Canberra

Witnesses:

Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

Ms Cate McKenzie, Group Manager

Ms Helen Bedford, Branch Manager, Children's Policy

Ms Karen Wilson, Former Branch Manager, Children's Policy

Tuesday, 27 September 2011 – Canberra

Witnesses:

Ms Marie Coleman PSM – Private capacity

Wednesday, 28 September 2011 – Canberra

Witnesses:

Attorney-General's Department

Dr Albin Smrdel, First Assistant Secretary, Access to Justice Division

Ms Kerri-Ann Smith, Acting Assistant Secretary, Marriage and Intercountry Adoption Branch

Australian Institute of Family Studies

Dr Daryl Higgins, Deputy Director, Research

Dr Thomas Graham – Private capacity

Department of Social Work, James Cook University

Dr Susan Gair

Department of Health and Ageing

Mr Shane Porter, Assistant Secretary, Medicare Financing and Analysis Branch

Mr Alan Singh, Assistant Secretary Mental Health System Development Branch

National Archives of Australia

Dr Stephen Ellis, Acting Director-General

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Ms Joan Sheedy, Assistant Secretary, Privacy and FOI Policy Branch

Mrs Janice Kashin – Private capacity

Catholic Health Australia

Mr Martin Laverty, Chief Executive Officer

Forum

Mrs Lily Arthur, Coordinator, Origins Inc

Ms Gillian Brannigan, National Coordinator, Stolen Generation Alliance

Mrs Lizzy Brew, Secretary, Origins Inc

Ms Jennie Burrows, Private capacity

Ms Christine Cole, Private capacity

Ms Judith McPherson, Private capacity

Ms Robin Turner, Private capacity

Wednesday, 26 October 2011 – Adelaide

Witnesses:

Family Voice Australia

Mr David D'Lima, State Officer

Mrs Roslyn Phillips, National Research Officer

Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

Ms Marsha Milliken, Group Manager, Income Support Group

Ms Christen Coralive – Private capacity

Ms Evelyn Robinson – Private capacity

National Council for Single Mothers and Their Children

Ms Terese Edwards, Chief Executive Officer

Dr Elspeth McInnes, Policy Advisor

Ms Kathryn Rendell, Member, Advisory Committee

Mrs Lorraine Hassett – Private capacity

Stolen Generations Alliance

Ms Heather Shearer, South Australian Aboriginal Delegate

Thursday, 15 December 2011 – Sydney

Witnesses:

Dr Denise Nisbet Wallis – Private capacity

Forum

Ms Lily Arthur, Private capacity

Mrs Lizzy Brew, Private capacity

Ms Jennie Burrows, Private capacity

Ms Christine Cole, Private capacity

Ms Pauline Egan, Private capacity

Ms Jennifer Harman, Private capacity

Mr Mark Hartley, Private capacity

Ms Monica Jones, Private capacity

Mrs Gabrielle McGuire, Private capacity

Mr Michael O'Meara, Private capacity

Ms Loma Pincham, Private capacity

Ms Orla Shield, Private capacity

Mr Erik Spinney, Private capacity

Ms Robin Turner, Private capacity

Friday, 16 December 2011 – Hobart

Witnesses:

Australian Association of Social Workers

Ms Carol Dorgelo, President

Salvation Army

Major Graeme McClimont, Divisional Commander, Tasmanian Division

Centacare Tasmania

Mrs Georgina McLagan, Principal Officer, Catholic Private Adoption Agency

Forum

Ms Cherry Blaskett, Private capacity

Mrs Robyn Cohen, Private capacity

Mrs Barbara Pendrey, Private capacity

Mrs Virginia Perry, Private capacity

Ms Margaret Singline, Private capacity

The Hon. Frances Bladel – Private capacity**Tasmanian Department of Health and Human Services**

Mr Timothy Vaatstra, Manager, Adoption and Permanency Services

Ms Jane Monaghan, Coordinator, Adoption Information Service

Forum

Mrs Christine Burke, Private capacity

Mr Murray Legro, Private capacity

Ms Jane Lunt, Psychologist, Relationships Australia

Miss Carolyn McGrath, Private capacity

Mrs Patricia MacPherson, Private capacity

Ms Isabel Morris, Private capacity

Ms Evelyn Mundy, Private capacity