



AUSTRALIAN SENATE

SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF
INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS

PARLIAMENT HOUSE
CANBERRA ACT 2600

The Hon Senator Calvert
President of the Senate
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Interim Report

Dear Mr President

Pursuant to Standing Order 38(7), I present an Interim Report of the Committee.

On 16 June 2004, the Senate appointed the Select Committee on the Administration of Indigenous Affairs to inquire into and report by 31 October 2004, on the following matters:

- (a) the provisions of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Amendment Bill 2004;
- (b) the proposed administration of Indigenous programs and services by mainstream departments and agencies; and
- (c) related matters.

The Committee has now received a total of one hundred and eighty-nine submissions (published submissions are listed at Attachments A), and has held the following public hearings:

- Canberra on 29 June
- Alice Springs on 20 July
- Broome on 22 July
- Darwin on 24 August
- Gove on 25 August
- Thursday Island on 26 August
- Cairns on 27 August

Due to the prorogation of Parliament, the Committee will not be able to complete its report as intended.

Senator Trish Crossin
Committee Chair

31 August 2004