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Capacity Building in Indigenous Communities

Terms of Reference

On 19 June 2002, the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs, the Hon Philip Ruddock MP, referred the following terms of reference to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs for inquiry and report:

"The Committee will inquire into and report on strategies to assist Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders better manage the delivery of services within their communities. In particular, the Committee will consider building the capacities of:

- (a) community members to better support families, community organisations and representative councils so as to deliver the best outcomes for individuals, families and communities;
- (b) Indigenous organisations to better deliver and influence the delivery of services in the most effective, efficient and accountable way; and
- (c) government agencies so that policy direction and management structures will improve individual and community outcomes for Indigenous people."

The Committee welcomes submissions on the terms of reference from individuals and organisations—both Indigenous and non Indigenous, urban and remote. For advice on making a submission see www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/atsia; or phone (02) 6277 4559; or email atsia.reps@aph.gov.au.