SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

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Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 20 October 2008

Provide details of the terms of reference for the Working Group on Native Title Payments?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

The Terms of Reference for the Working Group on Native Title Payments are:

To develop tangible suggestions for ensuring that the benefits accruing to Indigenous interests under native title agreements contribute to addressing the economic and social disadvantage facing the Indigenous community and are delivered to current and future generations.

In particular, the group should consider:

- i. the type of benefits to be provided;
- ii. the manner in which benefits should be provided;
- iii. the manner in which benefits should be administered; and
- iv. the potential for use of template agreements and specified principles to guide the making and implementation of agreements.