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Senator Nigel Scullion
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Dear Mr Scullion

Availability of Legal Services

I refer to your letter dated 23 February 2004 and advise as follows:

1. Council has not received any complaints. Perhaps this is because we are one hour's drive from Darwin where there are law firms.
2. There has been a free legal consultancy service in Batchelor but this appears to be inactive perhaps through lack of demand for the service or lack of funding.
3. Yes. We have no data on rates of use.
4. Persons with cultural matters to address appear to have access to appropriate organisations skilled in that area.
5. No.
6. 6.- 9. Not known by this organisation.

Your questionnaire can only be answered to the degree of this Council's knowledge but I hope the information is of assistance.

Yours faithfully

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