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## Submission to Inquiry into Indigenous Workers Whose paid Labour Was Controlled by Government.

I would like to submit that resolvving the issue of paying reparation is urgent.

For the following reasons I make this submission -

- Many claimants are elderly and infirm.
- Many have already died so their families must be allowed to receive the reparation.
- The pastoral industry in many country areas was built on the unpaid work of Indigenous stockmen and domestic workers.
- The Indigenous people who were confined to missions had their money held in trust by Government and this has never been paid to them.
- As Stolen Children, many Indigenous people worked for little or no pay in domestic and labouring situations. They are victims of Government Stolen Generations and Stolen Wages policies.