Inquiry: The Constitutional Recognition Relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

Individual Submission:

My submission comes from a 71 year old Caucasian Male, who has lived in Australia for 43 years, after migrating here for work reasons and retiring here. I have worked in a business advisory capacity in Vanuatu on a remote island and appreciate the people's connection with the land. I hold a Masters Degree from Sydney University and other qualifications from English Universities.

I maintain that collective Australia is committing Genocide on our Native People. I fail to understand the reasons behind the rejection of the Uluru declaration for two main reasons.

- 1. Human Rights, where Australia is a signatory at the UN.
- 2. Future Value to Australia.

The native peoples of Australia are being systematically exterminated by being forced to assimilate. Part of this process is the staged separation of the native people from their land. First they were killed off in the city areas and now they are being forced off their land outside the city areas. The collective we of Australia are losing their culture as a result.

For the same reasons that I want to see 50% representation of Women in Parliament - I want to see suitable representation of the Native people of Australia in our parliament. Until we get meaningful representation for the Native People of Australia we cannot begin to reverse the painfully slow Genocide of our Native People.