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On 19 December 2014, the Standing Committee on Social Policy and Legal Affairs resolved to inquire into a matter arising from the 2013-14 Annual Report of the Department of Human Services, namely the provision of services to South Sea Islanders.

List of recommendations

1 Revisiting recognition

Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that the Australian Government establish an interdepartmental working group to liaise with Australian South Sea Islander groups, so as to identify priority areas to address disadvantage, improve coordination with State governments, and address problems in the provision and delivery of culturally aware and appropriate Government services to Australian South Sea Islanders.