

### Summary of findings

66. In relation to term of reference (1)(a) (resolution of 23 May 1988), the Committee has found that the resolution was not passed by the Aboriginal Development Commission with the intention of interfering with witnesses proposing to give evidence to a Senate committee. Therefore, no contempt of the Senate has been committed. (paragraph 39)

In relation to term of reference (1)(b) (presentation of papers and submissions), the Committee has found that, on the basis that members of the Aboriginal Development Commission were not sufficiently aware of the implications and ramifications of the resolution, no contempt of the Senate has been committed and that the explanation and apology, contained in a further resolution of the Commission tabled by the President of the Senate on 20 October 1988, should be accepted. (paragraph 41)

In relation to term of reference (1)(c) (resolution of no confidence in Mrs S. McPherson), the Committee has concluded that, in the particular circumstances of the case, a finding that a contempt of the Senate has been committed should not be made. (paragraph 57)

In relation to paragraph (1)(d) (proposed transfer of Mr M. O'Brien), the Committee has found that no contempt of the Senate has been committed, in that any penalty or injury caused to Mr O'Brien was not inflicted in consequence of his giving evidence to the Select Committee. (paragraph 65)

Patricia Giles  
Chair

COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

LIST OF DOCUMENTS

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63rd Meeting	20 October 1988
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66th Meeting	5-9 December 1988
Queensland Housing Conference	15-16 September 1988

2. TRANSCRIPTS OF EXTRACTS FROM TAPE RECORDINGS OF MEETINGS OF THE ABORIGINAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

[Prepared by Senate staff]

58th Meeting

60th Meeting

VOLUME 2

1. SUBMISSIONS

Mrs S. McPherson and Mr M. O'Brien, dated 2 December 1988

Members of the Aboriginal Development Commission, received  
20 February 1989

On behalf of Mr C. Perkins from Mr R.J. Ellicott, Q.C. and  
Professor J.E. Richardson, dated 22 February 1989

On behalf of Commissioners (except Mrs McPherson and  
Mr Perkins) from Mr M. Adams, Q.C. dated 28 March 1989

Commentary by Counsel for Mr C. Perkins, dated 31 March 1989

Mrs S. McPherson and Mr M. O'Brien, dated 17 April 1989  
with covering letter from Crossin Power Haslem, dated  
17 April 1989

VOLUME 3

1. COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE

letter to Chairman ADC, from Chair of Committee of Privileges, dated 4 November 1988  
letter from Chairman ADC to Committee, dated 7 November 1988  
letter to individual Commissioners and M. O'Brien from Chair of Committee of Privileges, dated 7 November 1988  
letter from C. Wyatt to Chair of Committee of Privileges, dated 21 November 1988  
letter from Minter Ellison to Secretary of Committee of Privileges, dated 22 November 1988  
letter from Macphillamy Cummins & Gibson to Secretary of Committee of Privileges, dated 23 November 1988  
letter from Minter Ellison to Secretary of Committee of Privileges, dated 24 November 1988  
letter to Macphillamy Cummins & Gibson from Secretary of Committee of Privileges, dated 28 November 1988  
letter to Minter Ellison from Secretary of Committee of Privileges, dated 28 November 1988  
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letter from Minter Ellison to Secretary of Committee of Privileges, dated 9 December 1988  
letter from President to Chair of Committee of Privileges, dated 12 December 1988, enclosing letter from Minter Ellison to President, dated 12 December 1988  
letter to Minter Ellison from Secretary of Committee of Privileges, dated 15 December 1988  
letter to President from Chair of Committee of Privileges, dated 15 December 1988  
letter from President to Chair of Committee of Privileges, dated 12 January 1989, enclosing letter from Macphillamy Cummins & Gibson to President, dated 9 December 1988  
letter to Macphillamy Cummins & Gibson from Secretary of Committee of Privileges, dated 3 February 1989  
letter to Minter Ellison from Secretary of Committee of Privileges, dated 3 February 1989  
letter to M. O'Brien from Chair of Committee of Privileges, dated 3 February 1989

letter to S. McPherson from Chair of Committee of Privileges,  
dated 3 February 1989  
letter from Minter Ellison to Secretary of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 23 February 1989  
letter to Minter Ellison from Secretary of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 10 March 1989  
letter to Macphillamy Cummins & Gibson from Secretary of  
Committee of Privileges, dated 10 March 1989  
letter to Crossin Power Haslem from Secretary of Committee of  
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letter from Crossin Power Haslem to Secretary of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 17 March 1989  
letter from Crossin Power Haslem to Secretary of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 5 April 1989  
letter to Crossin Power Haslem from Secretary of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 6 April 1989

2. OTHER COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS

Letter from Chair of Committee of Privileges to Clerk of the  
Senate, dated 15 December 1988

Advice from Clerk of the Senate to Chair of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 18 January 1989

Letter from Chair of Committee of Privileges to Clerk of the  
Senate, dated 31 January 1989

Advice from Clerk of the Senate to Chair of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 1 February 1989

Letter to President from Chair of Committee of Privileges,  
dated 16 February 1989

Letter to Clerk of the Senate from Chair of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 2 March 1989

Advice from Clerk of the Senate to Chair of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 6 March 1989

Letter to T. Simos, Q.C. from Secretary of Committee of  
Privileges, dated 7 April 1989

Memorandum from Mr T. Simos Q.C., dated 2 May 1989

Supplementary Memorandum from Mr T. Simos Q.C., dated 3 May  
1989

Covering letter to Committee members relating to Mr Simos'  
memoranda, dated 4 May 1989