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Indigenous alcohol inquiry to hear from Woolworths

The House of Representatives Indigenous Affairs Committee will hold a public hearing on Thursday as part of the Committee's inquiry into the harmful use of alcohol in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Representatives of Woolworths Liquor Group, Australia's largest retailer of alcoholic beverages, will appear before the Committee. The Committee will also hear evidence from Dr Shelley Bielefeld, a lecturer of the School of Law at the University of Western Sydney.

The Acting Chair of the Committee, Mr Warren Snowdon MP said: "The Committee continues to gather evidence on patterns of supply and demand for alcohol in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, and ways that we can better address the determinants and prevalence of harmful alcohol use in those communities. We are particularly looking forward to hearing the views of representatives of the alcohol industry this week."

Details of the hearing are as follows:

When Thursday, 27 November 2014

Time 11.50am – 1.30pm

Where Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra

Program

11.50am Dr Shelley Bielefeld (Submission 67)

12.30pm Woolworths Liquor Group

The full terms of reference are available at www.aph.gov.au/indigenousaffairs

The proceedings will be audio webcast live on:www.aph.gov.au/live

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