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The Secretariat
Senate Legal and Constitutional Committee
Dear Senators,

We submit that there is a pressing need for :

1. Special Federal Government funding to reinstate the Council for Reconciliation or similar organisation to further the vital cause of reconciliation;
2. A national apology from the Prime Minister on behalf of non indigenous Australian people for past injustices inflicted on indigenous Australian peoples and a promise to stop present injustices continuing;
3. The implementation of the recommendations of the "Bringing Them Back Home" and "Black Deaths in Custody" Reports;
4. A Treaty or Agreement with our indigenous peoples, which should include provision for reparation for past injustices; and
5. The general implementation of other recommendations contained in the ANTaR submission to the Inquiry.

Yours faithfully,
Phil Bradley and Annie Nielsen.