APPENDIX 3



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Dear Mr Grundy

Thank you for your letter dated 7 August 2001 to my Chief of Staff concerning a proposed legislative amendment regarding the annual reports of the Indigenous Land Corporation.

The legislation comes within the Attorney-General's portfolio rather than mine but I am advised that this amendment is expected to be introduced into the Parliament during the week commencing 20 August 2001. It will be titled the *Native Title Amendment Bill* 2001 and is expected to be passed during the same sittings.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Yours sincerely

Philip Ruddock

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