

Northern Territory Coroner's Court
Alice Springs Court House
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Via email: [REDACTED]@nt.gov.au

Dear Judge

IN THE MATTER OF THE INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF KUMANJAYI WALKER – SUMMONS TO PRODUCE A DOCUMENT OR MATERIALS – CASE No A0051/2019

I write in response to the Summons to Produce issued in Case No A0051/2019, dated 3 March 2023, in relation to the Coronial Inquest into the Death of Kunamjayi Walker.

I enclose (*) the following document:

1. The report of Professor David Hollinsworth entitled "*Campaign to Combat Racism: A Report Reviewing Persistence of Racism within the Northern Territory Government and Strategies to Eliminate Racism.*" (the Report)

A commitment under Aim Three of the Northern Territory Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA) (which is available here <https://justice.nt.gov.au/attorney-general-and-justice/northern-territory-aboriginal-justice-agreement>) is to identify and eliminate systemic racism in government agencies and contracted service providers that directly or indirectly discriminate against Aboriginal Territorians engaged in the justice system.

One of the two actions as outlined in the AJA Action Plan 2021-2022 was to develop a Northern Territory-wide campaign against racism that impacts on Aboriginal people engaged in the justice system.

The Department of the Attorney-General and Justice's Aboriginal Justice Unit (AJU) engaged the services of Professor Hollinsworth, to provide the Report with recommendations to deliver on this commitment.

The Report is yet to be considered by the Northern Territory Government. In accordance with usual processes and governance structure for the AJA, the Report is currently under consideration by the Aboriginal Justice Agreement Governance Committee (AJAGC) and a workshop is planned for late March 2023 to consider the recommendations in the report in detail and decide how the AJAGC will recommend they be progressed.

Yours sincerely,

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Gemma Lake
Chief Executive Officer

6 March 2023

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