

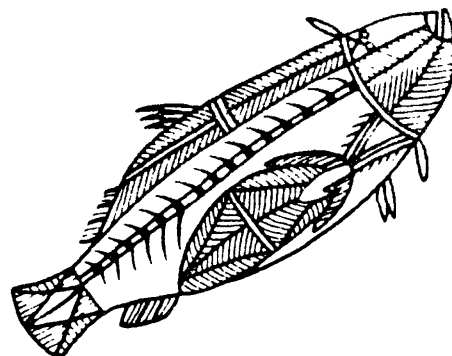
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Being notes on matters of current interest, concerning Aborigines and the Australian legal system, as reported to, or discussed at meetings of the Aboriginal Law Research Unit.

SYDNEY

Next Meeting: 5.30 - 7.00 p.m. Wednesday, 14 November, 1984.
Conference Room, Australian Law Reform
Commission, Level 7, 99 Elizabeth Street,
Sydney.

Guest Speaker: Paul Coe and Tony Simpson on recent develop-
ments at the international level.

For Discussion: Mining on Aboriginal Land.
Any other business.

Any member of the Advisory Council "network" is welcome to attend meetings.

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ABORIGINAL LAW BULLETIN

Issue No. 12 is rescheduled for December - deadline mid-November.

Funds are now available to cover production costs and also employment of an editorial assistant. Accordingly, it is expected that publication of the Aboriginal Law Bulletin will become more regular. It may even be possible to move to publication 6 times per year.

The position of editorial assistant was advertised on 27 October - closing date 9 November. Anyone qualified and interested in applying is urged to do so. Inquiries can be directed to Garth Nettheim (02) 697-2252, or Neil Rees (02) 398-6366.

RESEARCH

The A.L.R.U. application to the Australian Research Grants Scheme (ARGS) for funds to support a 1985 research project on Aboriginal Land Rights Law in South Australia has not been successful. ARGS did fund a study of Aboriginal Land Rights Law in the Northern Territory which is nearing completion.

There is another application for funds awaiting determination which, if successful, would permit work to proceed on Land Rights Law in South Australia and in other jurisdictions.

Meredith Wilkie's study of Aboriginal Land Rights Law in N.S.W. (supported by the Law Foundation of N.S.W.) will be published at the end of this year or early in 1985.

CORRESPONDENCE ETC.

from Stuart McGill (New York) about resource negotiation project.
from International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs (Copenhagen)
about Aboriginal Customary Law.
with Brad Morse (Ottawa) on exchange of materials.
from Doug Sanders (Vancouver) enclosing material.
to Paul Seaman QC (Perth) requesting a copy of his report.
with Graeme Neate (Canberra) and Marion Podobnik (Adelaide) and
others about N.T. Land Rights research.
with K. F. Paterson (Canberra) about AMIC publications.
with Peter Bevan (Townsville) about anti-discrimination proceedings.
from Vince Forester (Alice Springs) about Aboriginal Sacred Sites
(Amendment) Bill, N.T.

REPORTS, PUBLICATIONS, ETC.

Australia

Marc Gumbert, Neither Justice Nor Reason. A Legal and Anthropological Analysis of Aboriginal Land Rights. (U.Q.P., 1984)

Victorian Government Aboriginal Affairs Discussion Paper (September 1984) including as Appendix A, Aboriginal Land Claims Bill.

Land Rights News, Central Australia, No. 20 (August, 1984)

Aboriginal Land Rights Support Group Newsletter No. 24 (August, 1984)

N.S.W. Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs, Aboriginal Reserves in NSW
A Land Rights Research Aid, Occasional Paper No. 4

Denis Byrne, The Mountains Call Me Back. A History of the
Aborigines and the Forests of the Far South Coast of New
South Wales. N.S.W. Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs,
Occasional Paper No. 5 (June, 1984).

The Porter Report, Newsletter from James Porter, M.P., Shadow
Minister for Aboriginal Affairs (September, 1984).

Canada

Response of the Government to the Report of the Special Committee
on Indian Self-Government, (Ottawa, 5 March, 1984).

Communique, Minister Introduces Indian Self-Government Legislation,
(Indian and Northern Affairs)

Bill C-52 for "an Act relating to self-government for Indian Nations".

The First Nations. A Report on the Self-Government Bill (Assembly
of First Nations, Ottawa).

Answers to your Questions about First Nations' Self-Government
(Assembly of First Nations, Ottawa).

Bill C-47. Amendments to the Indian Act to end discrimination
based on Sex.

Statement by the Hon. John C. Munro, P.C., M.P., Minister of Indian
Affairs and Northern Development to Standing Committee on
Indian Affairs and Northern Development (Ottawa, 26 June, 1984).

Bill C-47 for "an Act to Amend the Indian Act".

Bill C-46 for "an Act respecting certain provisions of the James Bay
and Northern Quebec Agreement and the Northeastern Quebec
Agreement relating principally to Cree and Naskapi local
government and to the land regime governing Category 1A and
Category 1A-N land".

International

Survival International, London. "Bangladesh. Chittagong Hill
Tracts : More Massacres", Urgent Action Bulletin, BAN/lb/
Sept/1984.

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The Australian Institute of Criminology is most interested in reviewing any reports or papers you may have on indigenous involvement in the criminal justice system.

We are also interested in any separate indigenous systems of justice administration or community regulation, (e.g. police or police-aids, councils of elders or tribal court systems), or any other such handling of minor misdemeanours committed by community members, by the community or reserve concerned.

As these concepts may be still relatively new and experimental in practice, we recognize that there may be limited documentation available on them. Any assistance from your Unit in the location of relevant material or in the supply of bibliographies would be most gratefully received by our research institute. Should you be interested we would be happy to supply you with a copy of the resultant paper, which will compare similar practices in Canada, USA, Australia, Papua New Guinea and New Zealand.

I am informed by Professor Bradford W. Morse, University of Ottawa, that you have a number of his publications. Could you also please forward to me a list of these publications.

We look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,

(Kayleen M. Hazlehurst)
Senior Researcher