

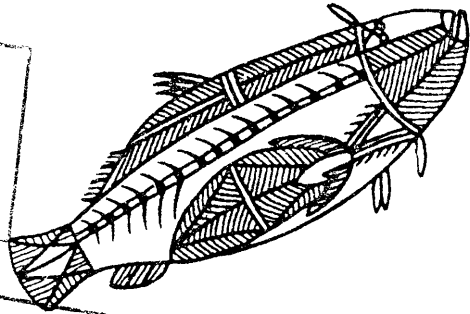
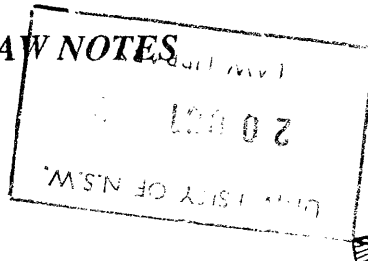
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New Appointment

Chris Cuneen will be joining the Aboriginal Law Centre at the beginning of April. He has been appointed to the position of Research and Information Officer for the Centre. His experience and skills make him a welcome asset.

THE ABORIGINAL LAW CENTRE

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The Centre also publishes the Aboriginal Law Bulletin.

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PUBLICATIONS, ETC, RECEIVED

REPORTS

NSW Green Paper New Directions in Aboriginal Affairs, NSW Government, February, 1989.

Submissions in respect of the Green Paper are invited by Paul Zammit, Parliamentary Secretary assisting the Premier on Aboriginal Affairs. Submissions should be sent by 1 May 1989.

Interim Report of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, Australian Government Publishing Service, Canberra, January 1989.

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Yanyuwa Country: The Yanyuwa people of Borroloola tell the history of their land. Translated and illustrated by John Bradley, Greenhouse Publications, Richmond, 1988. Softcover, 80 pages. Color illustrations.

JOURNALS

Human Rights Internet Reporter. Special Issue Volume 12 No 4 Winter 1988/89: Africa - Human Rights Directory and Bibliography.

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Survival International: For the Rights of Threatened Tribal People, No 23, 1989.

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MEETINGS

The Aboriginal Land Council is convening a meeting of all interested parties to organize a lobbying strategy to oppose the Greiner government's proposed abolition of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act.

Place: The Settlement - 17 Edward Street, Chippendale
Date: 4 April 1989
Time: 7.00pm

All interested groups and individuals are invited to attend.

In addition, a public forum to discuss the Green Paper will be held -

Place: Tom Mann Theatre
136 Chalmers Street. Surry Hills
Date: 20 April 1989
Time: 7.30pm

CONFERENCES

Indigenous Women's Festival and Conference

Date: 7-12 July 1989
Venue: Banquet Room, Festival Theatre Complex, Adelaide.

7-8 July At the Festival there will be contemporary Arts, Drama & Music.

9-12 July The 3 day conference will discuss the survival and success of indigenous women in contemporary societies. Specific forums will look at health, housing and employment.

Cost: Government workers: \$200
Non-government organizations: \$100
Individual wage earners: \$50
Individual non-wage earners: \$25

Contact: Michelle Childs
International Indigenous Women's Conference
Aboriginal Working Party
GPO Box 584, Adelaide SA 5001

Phone: (08) 2320828

Human Rights Congress - call for papers Human Rights Australia: Challenges for the 1990's

Date: 22-25 September 1989
Venue: Medical Centre, University of Melbourne, Royal Pde, Parkville, Vic.

The HREOC is extending an invitation to organizations or individuals to submit papers for presentation at the Congress. The program will be broken into daily plenary and workshop sessions. Topics to be covered specifically are race discrimination, sex discrimination, rights of the child, rights of people with disabilities, privacy, civic and political rights.

Offers of papers should be sent to:

Mr. Chris Sidoti, Secretary, Human Rights & Equal Opportunity Commission, GPO
Box 5218, Sydney NSW 2001.

For further information regarding registration and accommodation:

Louise Read or Mary Mayano, Congress Secretariat, 1st floor, 387 Melbourne Road,
South Yarra Vic 3141. Phone: (03) 8240022.

Folklore Commission Symposium - call for papers

The next symposium of the Folklore Commission will be hosted by Canadian members in Ottawa, Canada. It is scheduled to precede the 13th Congress of the International Academy of Comparative Law in Montreal on August 19-25, 1990.

The themes proposed for the symposium are indigenous self-determination and legal pluralism in the Third World after decolonisation. Comments and suggestions concerning the above these are welcomes.

Abstracts of approx. 50-100 words for proposed papers are invited. They should be submitted to either

Prof Brad Morse, Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa, 57 Louis Pasteur, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1N 6N5

or

Dr Carol LaPrairie, Policy and Programs Directorate, Department of Justice, 239 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1A 0H8.

It is requested that abstracts be submitted by 30 May 1989.

TV PROGRAMS AND SPECIALS

SBS

FIRST IN LINE - On Tuesdays, 7.30 - 8.00pm

A new program devised and produced by Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander personnel. Each week it covers a story of particular importance to Australia's indigenous people. Reports will feature urban, rural and outback lifestyles as well as issues of social welfare and Aboriginal community personalities.



INUIT CIRCUMPOLAR CONFERENCE

January 31, 1989

To All Indigenous Peoples, Nations,
and Organizations

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

On December 13, 1988 several indigenous people and NGO's met in Washington, D.C. to follow-up on the discussions that took place in Geneva this past July 1988 concerning international coordination and communication. Representatives of the Inuit Circumpolar Conference-Alaska, National Indian Youth Council, Indian Law Resource Center, and Cultural Survival were in attendance.

Our main focus was the second and final discussion on International Labour Organization Convention 107 - Indigenous and Tribal Peoples and international coordination/communication in the future. However, we also briefly addressed the U.N. Seminar on Indigenous Rights that took place from January 16-21 in Geneva, and the July 1989 Indigenous Peoples' Preparatory Meeting and U.N. Working Group.

I. International Labour Organization - Convention 107

Regarding the ILO Convention 107, National Indian Youth Council drafted the enclosed summary of the ILO. The ILO's second and final discussion on Convention 107 will take place from June 7-28, 1989, at the Palais des Nations in Geneva. We have made plans to hold a Preparatory meeting on ILO Convention 107, which is tentatively scheduled for sometime in March or early April 1989 in Mexico City, Mexico. We also discussed the possibility of mailing out a questionnaire on Convention 107. This would give those indigenous representatives, who cannot attend the ILO Indigenous Peoples' Preparatory Meeting or the ILO Session, an opportunity to respond to this important document.

We urge you to attend the I.L.O. session in June, if at all possible. Broader indigenous participation can only help in applying pressure on the Convention 107 Committee: the Governments, Employers and Workers.

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