

FOREWORD

When we published a selection of writings by Prof Jon Altman in JIP 14, ‘Arguing the Intervention’, we were overwhelmed by the positive response. The clarity, thoughtfulness and expertise he applies to Indigenous socio-economic and policy issues has provided an insightful alternative that has been warmly received by people who were seeking a more in-depth analysis and response.

In this edition, selections of Prof Altman’s writing canvas a range of issues from further evaluation of the Northern Territory intervention, the failure of homelands policy, challenges in policy approaches to Closing the Gap and analysis of the ‘Stronger Futures’ legislation. The selection of articles contained in this edition are evidence of why Prof Altman remains one of the most esteemed researchers and thinkers working in the Indigenous economic and policy space.

We have no doubt that this second edition of Prof Altman’s writings will further engage readers with his perspectives and continue to assist him to garner the wider audience, respect and influence his work deserves.

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