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To: Carolyn Mewing [REDACTED]
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Subject: RE: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Acts

Thank you for your feedback on the review of the Cultural Heritage Acts. The Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships values your contribution towards finalising this review.

Please note that your submission will be published on our website following the public consultation closing date.

Regards

Cultural Heritage Acts Review Team

Legal Policy, Strategic Policy and Legislation, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships

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Hi,

Traditional Owners are no different from every other Australian. Except their culture is 60,000 years old, which makes our 'log cabin' stories pale into insignificance.

We risk losing 60,000 years of history when we refuse to listen to, and embrace even one lone Traditional Owner because they don't belong to groups constructed, informed, and reviewed by us. That's not fair or smart.

We police them, they simply wish to police us, when we decide to destroy, yet more country, people, and life. 30 pieces of silver can't bury the truth.

Read the Uluru Statement from the Heart. Show some heart and gift the Makarrata to Australia. Maybe then we'll learn how to gift a future for all life on earth, for the next 60,000 years.

Kind regards,
Carolyn Mewing,

on Girramay country.

Carolyn Mewing

