



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God Queen of Australia and Her other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth:

TO:

THE HONOURABLE JAMES HENRY MUIRHEAD, QC

GREETING:

WHEREAS by Letters Patent issued in Our name by Our Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia on 16 October 1987 We appointed you to be a Commissioner to inquire into and report upon the deaths in Australia since 1 January 1980 of Aboriginals and Torres strait Islanders whilst in police custody, in prison or in any other place of detention and into certain matters relating thereto:

AND WHEREAS those Letters Patent were varied by Letters Patent issued by Our Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia on 21 December 1987 and 6 May 1988:

AND WHEREAS by the Letters Patent issued on 16 October 1987 as so varied, We required you to furnish to Our Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, not later than 31 December 1989 or such later date as We may be pleased to fix, certain reports and recommendations:

NOW THEREFORE We do, by these Our Letters Patent issued in Our name by Our Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia on the advice of the Federal Executive Council, fix 31 December 1990 as the date on or before which We require you to furnish to Our Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia those reports and recommendations.

WITNESS His Excellency the Right Honourable Sir Ninian Martin Stephen, a member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight of the Order of Australia, Knight Grand Cross of The Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Grand Cross of The Royal Victorian Order, Knight Commander of The Most Excellent Order of the British Empire and Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia.

Dated this 27 day of October 1988

Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

Prime Minister