



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 JOHN HALDEN WOOTTEN, QC:

GREETING:

WHEREAS by Letters Patent issued in Our name by Our Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia on 6 May 1988 We appointed you to be a Commissioner to inquire into and report upon certain 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 it is desirable that those Letters Patent be varied in certain respects:

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 and pursuant to the Constitution of Australia, the Royal Commissions Act 1902 and every other enabling power, declare that the Letters Patent issued on 6 May 1988 shall have effect as if:

- (a) for the words “but not later than 31 December 1989” there were substituted “but not later than 31 December 1990”;
- (b) for the words “(as subsequently varied on 21 December 1987)” there were substituted “(as subsequently varied)”;
- (c) for the words “30 June 1989 or such later date” there were substituted “31 December 1989 or such later date”.

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