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Age =The Age

Aus = Australian

BM =The Border Mail

CM = Courier Mail (OLD)

CP = Cairns Post

CT = Canberra Times

DM = Daily Mercury

DT = Daily Telegraph

FinR = Financial Review

HS = Herald Sun (VIC)

KM = Kalgoorlie Miner

LE = Launceston Examiner

NM = News Mail (Bundaberg)

NTN = Northern Territory News

Rep =The Republican

SC = Sunshine Coast Sunday

SMH = Sydney Morning Herald

ST = The Sunday Times

Tel M = Telegraph Mirror (NSW)

WA = West Australian

WAus = Weekend Australian

APPLICATIONS

ACT

Ngunawal [NNTT Ref#AC98/1]

Aboriginal people, who have lodged a native title application over Parliament House and the High Court in Canberra, said they want recognition, maybe in the form of a plaque. Tyronne Bell, whose father Don Bell lodged the application on behalf of the Ngunnawal people, stated his people were not seeking possession of the site or compensation. (*CT*, 4 Mar, p6)

New South Wales

Ngunawal People [NNTT Ref#NC98/5] [NNTT Ref#NC97/37]

Another Ngunawal group is opposing a native title application lodged by Nurri Arthur Williams over 17ha block of land next to the lawn cemetery on Lanyon Drive Queanbeyan. Mayor Frank Pangallo said that the Queanbeyan Council had invited the applicants, NSW Aboriginal Land Council and two NSW departments to a meeting to work out an agreement that would allow the Council to go ahead with the expansion of the cemetery into the area subjected to the native title claim. (*CT*, 11 Mar, p2)

Victoria

Yorta Yorta Clans [NNTT Ref#VC94/1]

A formal agreement will be signed allowing construction of a natural gas pipeline from Chiltern to Yarrawonga to begin. Under section 31 of the *Native Title Act* the Yorta Yorta people, Stratus Networks and the Victorian Government will sign this good faith negotiation agreement. The Yorta Yorta people had made a native title application over Northeast Victoria and Southern NSW that establishes their right to negotiate any projects in the area. A license to construct a pipeline will only be issued after negotiations under the *Native Title Act* are completed. (*BM*, 4 Feb, p8)

Queensland

Mr Fourmile [NNTT Ref#QC94/7]

The Federal Court upheld a request by Mr Fourmile for a review of a NNTT determination allowing a development to proceed on land near Cairns over which he had lodged an application. It ruled that the NNTT does not have the power to determine whether native title exists, and held that only courts can exercise this judicial power. Justice Drummond stated that 'native title cannot subsist in land the subject of an existing freehold grant'. Mr Fourmile lodged the claim after Selpam Pty Ltd applied in 1994 for a development on 65ha of land. The Federal Court found that the procedure followed by the NNTT of deciding 'non-claimant' applications and then lodging it with the courts was not valid. (FinR, 14 Feb, p7)

Barada Barna, Kabalbara, & Yetimarla People [NNTT Ref#QC97/59]

The Barada Barna, Kabalbara and Yetimarla people's native title application over an area of the Bowen Basin coal fields covering Lake Vermont Coal deposit has been registered but not yet accepted by the NNTT. Among other things the applicants assert the right to hunt, fish, harvest and to collect natural resources for customary and commercial purposes including water and minerals above and below the surface (*FinR*, 20 Mar, p1, 8)

Western Australia

Neil Albert Phillips [NNTT Ref#WC97/5]

The native title application paid for by Kingstream Resources could be referred to the Federal Court which will result in a test of the validity of the application in comparison with 33 other overlapping applications. (WAus, 13 Mar, p9)*

Widi Mob [NNTT Ref#WC97/72]

A native title application on behalf of Joan Martin and 13 close family members covering more than 52,000sq km and involving 11 country shires was lodged. It was accepted by the NNTT on 26 August, giving Widi Mob the right to negotiate over the future use of leased land. (ST, $22 \, Mar$, p3)

Northern Territory

Alice Springs [NNTT Ref#DC94/2]

The Arrente people, represented by the Central Land Council, are seeking a determination over vacant crown land in and around Alice Springs. (NTN, 14 Feb, p14)

South Australia

Arabunna Peoples [NNTT Ref#SC98/2]

Arabunna people have lodged a native title application covering an area over 80,000sq km in central South Australia. A lawyer for the Arabunna people Mr Stephen Kenny stated that the application would not give the Arabunna any right to interfere with pastoral activity, only the right to negotiate with mining companies. (Ad, 27 Mar, p24)

MINING AND NATURAL RESOURCES

National

Resource Minister Warwick Parer said the mining policy statement of the Howard Government showed the government's commitment to maximize competitiveness, certainty and investment in the mining industry. The mining policy reiterates firmly the need for environmental and native title laws to give certainty to the mining industry. (CM, 3 Feb, p2)

Western Australia

Aboriginal people and 13 mining companies in Western Australia have agreed on a process to identify and clear Aboriginal heritage sites on 22 million hectares of Goldfields. The agreement, the largest of its kind in Australia, was negotiated between the Aboriginal North East Independent Body and the Mining Company Forum with the help of the Goldfields Lands Council in Kalgoorlie-Boulder. The Aboriginal body's interim chairman, Aubrey Lynch, said the agreement showed miners and native title applicants can come to an agreement on the use of land. (*CT*, 9 Feb, p2)

Campaign to change the *Native Title Act* has been accelerated by the WA mining industry. The industry is concerned that 1700 mineral titles in WA will still be trapped in the system even if the Prime Minister's amendments to the native title legislation are approved. Since the proposed change to give only one party the right to negotiate will be back dated only to June 27, 1996. (*ST*, 1 Mar, p2)

The WA Aboriginal land councils and native title representative bodies have called on the State Government to draw up a code of conduct to regulate the behavior of mining companies dealing with native title. The WA Native Title Working Group stated serious questions had been raised by the admission from An Feng Kingstream Managing Director Nik Zuk that his company had paid to lodge Neil Philip's application. (WAus, 14 Mar, p4)*

The Ngaluma and Injibandi people have signed an agreement with BHP subsidiary, Pilbara Energy Pty Ltd for extension of a natural gas pipeline across the Burrup Peninsula. The agreement with the eight individual native title applicants from the two groups was the first of its kind by iron ore prospecting arm of BHP in the Pilbara region. (WAus, 17Mar, p6)*

Queensland

Federal National MP Bob Katter stated that locals from Mount Isa unless of Aboriginal desent were being overlooked for jobs. A spokesperson for the Pasminco Century project in

response to this criticism said that job opportunities for local Aboriginal people was an important part of the agreement signed between Century and native title applicants last year. (CM, 6 Feb, p6)

The Ernest Henry mine near Cloncurry and the Queensland Government are seeking a stay on an application by the Mitakoodi/Juhnjlar people. The Aboriginal group hopes to have mining suspended and compensation of \$100 million paid. They have alleged that their rights were denied under the *Native Title Act* when the Government issued the mining leases to the venture jointly owned by MIM and Savage Resources. (WAus, 21 Feb, p8)

AMENDMENTS

Senator Nick Minchin stated that the Native Title Amendment Bill 1997 does not prevent practical co-existence of native title with other interests in land that are fundamental to the Wik decision. (*Media Release*, 2 Feb)

Prime Minister John Howard has increased pressure on the Senate to pass his NTA Bill by insisting unacceptable amendments to the legislation would harm the nation. (CM, 9 Feb, p7) The Prime Minister stated yesterday that the government would not use Senator Mal Colston's vote when its native title legislation returned to the Senate. (FinR, 9Feb, p5) This suggests the amendments to the Native Title Act will be rejected a second time when presented to the Senate next month unless Senator Harradine changes his previous stance. (SMH, 9 Feb, p7)* Senator Harradine stated that he would consider 'clarificatory amendments' to the Native Title Amendment Bill to accommodate miners, but would not back down on the key issues (SMH, 17 Feb, p5)*

The Government announced its proposed amendments to the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936*, which are designed to clarify the taxation implications of native titleholders and other taxpayers. The Government also announced its revised guidelines, for the provision of legal or financial assistance, which the Attorney-General approved under subsection 183 of the *Native Title Act 1993. (Media Release, 13 Feb)*

Deputy Opposition leader Gareth Evans stated that an early double dissolution election triggered by Wik was still a possibility but would be strongly fought by Labor. (CT, 16 Feb, p2)* The Federal Opposition agreed that it was willing to support amendments protecting mining lease renewals from native title applications when the legislation was again debated in Federal Parliament. However, the Opposition and the minor parties have signaled they will continue to reject key planks of the Bill, such as the winding back of native title applicants' right to negotiate on mining projects. (CM, 24 Feb, p6)*

The Anglican Church has urged Prime Minister John Howard to reconsider the Senate's amendments to the *Native Title Act* amid warnings a race-based election would result in 'blood on the streets'. (CM, 20 Feb, p5)*

Yesterday the Prime Minister toured Darwin harbour with Northern Territory Chief Minister Shane Stone, inspecting the \$70 million port development, which is subject to a native title application and declared it another reason for the Senate to pass the Native Title Amendment Bill immediately. (WAus, 27 Feb, p4)*

Democrats' native title spokesperson Senator John Woodley expressed concern that Labor was changing its hard-line position against Prime Minster John Howard's 10-point plan to win favor with Queensland voters. (CM, 6 Mar, p7)

The National Farmer's Federation President Donald McGauchie stated that the NTA Bill did not diminish common law native title rights and further compromises would make it unworkable. Moreover, right to negotiate on pastoral leases would lead to an unfair situation and confer on the Indigenous people a right unavailable to other community having private property interests. (*Media Release*, 6 Mar)

A leaked document from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission stated the negotiating process is becoming a problem and some applicants incorrectly see the procedure as a veto right. ATSIC Chair Gatjil Djerrkura responded to the leak by admitting that the Act needed amendment but cautioned the Government's planned changes went too far. (SMH, 9 Mar, p7)*

The Deputy Chair of the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation Sir Gustav Nossal, said a summit of all stakeholders in the native title debate should be held before the Government called an election on the Wik issue. (CM, 9 Mar, p4)

Queensland Premier Mr Rob Borbidge, urged Prime Minister Mr John Howard to stand firm on his 10-point plan including the 'sunset clause' for native title applications on pastoral leases. (FinR, 10 Mar, p5)*

Attorney-General Daryl Williams told the House of Representatives the Native Title Amendment Bill followed 18 months of consultations with all stakeholders and the Government was confident the Senate would avoid an early election by passing it. (CM, 10 Mar, p2)*

Queensland Premier Mr Rob Borbidge, criticizing Senate and Labor party opposition to the amendments to the *Native Title Act* stated that on an average, one application a day is being lodged in Queensland. (*Aus, 11 Mar, p6*)

The Chair of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mr Gatjil Djerrkura, stated there could be a compromise on two of the points in the stand-off over the NTA Bill: the right to negotiate over mining on pastoral leases; and the threshold test for native title claims. (*FinR*, 11 Mar, p1)*

Executive Director of the Kimberley Land Council Mr Peter Yu said Aboriginal people would never back down on retaining the 'right to negotiate' on pastoral leases, a right the Government wants to abolish. (SMH, 12 Mar, p5)*

Senior Government officials have held discussions with senior Labor staffers to find a compromise in the native title debate. The discussions show the Government could be prepared to negotiate on: the threshold test, requiring native title applicants to prove a traditional connection to land; Labor's insistence the legislation be subjected to the *Racial Discrimination Act*; and to a lesser extent a six year sunset clause. (CM, 12 Mar, p1)*

Aboriginal leaders have invited mining and farming industry chiefs to talks on the Federal Government's native title legislation in a bid to reach a compromise. (FinR, 12 Mar, p4)*

WA Chamber of Minerals and Energy Chief Executive Ian Satchwell conceded that mining companies forced by the unworkability of the *Native Title Act* were negotiating directly with the applicants. This has encouraged overlapping applications. (WAus, 14 Mar, p4)

Tasmanian Independent Senator Brian Harradine, indicated that he was willing to consider the following points in the Wik impasse: bona fides of applicants had to be tested; overlapping applications needed to be eliminated; a prima facie test needed for group applications; and the threshold test needed to be changed. (ST, 15 Mar, p3)

Australia's land planning and valuation experts, John Sheehan and Ed Wensing asserted that the Government's attempt to limit compensation to holders of Indigenous property rights may be unconstitutional. Mr Sheehan said the proposal to remove the right to negotiate would result in dispossession of Aboriginal people of their rights and interests in land. (*Media Release*, 24 Mar)

Mr Peter Yu, spokesperson for the National Indigenous Working Group stated that Indigenous Australians were relying on Senator Harradine to maintain his position in favor of an Aboriginal right to negotiate over mining and pastoral leases. (FinR, 27 Mar, p3)

Labor is considering three areas of change in its position on the right to negotiate: renewals of exploration and mining tenements; acquisitions for the provision of infrastructure; and low-impact exploration and mining. (Ad, 27 Mar, p8)

Tasmanian Independent Senator Harradine and Greens Senator Dee Margetts have produced separate pieces of legal advice which suggests, if subjected to the *Racial Discrimination Act* the NTA Bill is not detrimental to the Government's position. (*WAus, 27 Mar, p6*)

Members of the National Biodiversity Council called on the Senate to reject the components of the 10-point plan, as the proposed changes to land use embodied in it will have negative impact on Australian biodiversity. (*Media Release*, 23 Mar)

The impending High Court decision in the Hindmarsh Island Bridge case could resolve the question of whether the constitutional 'race' power could be used either to the benefit or detriment of a race. (Aus, 31 Mar, p2)* The Democrats demanded the Senate delay debate on the native title legislation to consider the repercussions of the decision for the Native Title Amendment Bill. (CM, 31 Mar, p2)*

Special Minister of State Senator Nick Minchin stated that the Native Title Amendment Bill is a fair and balanced compromise reflecting detailed consultation with Indigenous, industry, government and pastoral interests affected by the Wik decision. The Bill, he pointed out, respects native title and ensures that where native title co-exists with pastoral lease, native title holders and the lease holders have the same procedural rights for mining and development on that land. (Ad, 31 Mar, p19)

GENERAL NATIVE TITLE ISSUES

National

The Federal Government is considering a revamp of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission following a report that revealed a conflict of interest in the commission's advice

to government. ATSIC's advice to government on its response to the Wik debate is an example of where there is disagreement. (FinR, 2 Feb, p8) *

The Government withdrew plans for a \$3 million campaign to sell its Wik package after a spate of negative reactions from focus groups. (Aus, 26 Feb, p40)*

Darryl Kickett Convenor of the Western Australian Native Title Working Group, concurred that although some applicants were using the native title process for short term personal gains others were working together to resolve problems related to competing and overlapping claims. (ST, 1 Mar, p7)

The Melbourne Catholic Commission for Justice, Development and Peace (MCCJD&P) stated that the proposed Native Title Bill would not bring certainty or workability as promised to pastoral lease holders and miners. The issue of native title can be resolved through discussion and negotiation, which is beneficial to all instead of select groups. (*Media Release*, 2 March)

The Coordinator of Defenders of Native Title (DONT), Mr Sid Spindler called for the Government to withdraw its NTA Bill and for the ALP and Senator Harradine to 'improve their positions' on native title. (*Media Release*, 4 Mar)

Former Labor Prime Minister Bob Hawke, stated that John Howard should convene a toplevel meeting of Aboriginal leaders, the mining industry and pastoralists, in order to solve the impasse over native title. (CT, 6 Mar, p2)*

The Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation has revealed plans for a national agreement by the year 2000, but warned the process would be irreversibly 'damaged' if the Government did not compromise on its 10-point plan. (Aus, 9 Mar, p2)*

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commissioner, Terry O'Shane, said the Aboriginal community are worried that the Opposition will not support their right to negotiate the renewal of mining leases even if they were excluded from original negotiations to establish the mine. (WAus, 9 Mar, p7)

New South Wales

A planned fast-ferry service between Sydney and the NSW Central Coast could materialize once environmental and native title considerations are passed by government agencies. The \$15 million development by Fast Ships Pty Ltd would see a ferry run from Circular Quay to a new wharf at Ettalong. The site comes under the non-claimant clause of native title legislation, a status that is being examined by the Department of Land and Water Conservation and the National Native Title Tribunal. (WAus, 7 Feb, p52)

To enhance understanding in the community of native title and reconciliation in rural NSW, the Dubbo Reconciliation Group hosted the first information session on native title. (Aus, 20 Mar, p4)*

The Convener of Rural Landholders for Co-existence Ian Perkins, has stressed on the High Court's decision of the Wik issue in 1996 that pastoralists' rights always prevailed over native title rights, stating native title poses no threat to pastoralists and can deliver benefits. (WAus, 25 Mar, p46)

Northern Territory

John Howard made his first prime ministerial visit to an Aboriginal community, but stood firmly by his amendments to the native title legislation. (DT, 28 Feb, p2)

After concluding that native title was extinguished in 1882 when a freehold grant was made, Justice Maurice O'Loughlin dismissed the Larrakia people's application for an injunction on a \$7 million development on land south of Darwin. The decision confirms that native title cannot be revived on land, which was once the subject of a freehold lease. (WA, 28 Feb, p8) Commenting on the Court's decision, Deputy Prime Minister Tim Fischer said the NLC's action had absolved Federal Government efforts to confirm the status of freehold land in the Native Title Act. (Media Release, 15 Feb)

Queensland

The Federal Government will spend \$40 million to protect pastoral leases, important Aboriginal sites and high conservation areas of Cape York. (CM, 13 Feb, p8) Mr. Ahmat, chairman of the Cape York Land Council stated the plan 'disregards the historic Cape York Heads of Agreement which was signed between cattlemen, Aboriginal people and environmental groups'. (Media release, 16 Feb)*

NNTT member Rick Farley and senior case manager David Robson stated in a seminar that Torres Strait Islander population in Mackay has two months to become party to any native title application on the land and sea of the Torres Strait Islands. Most residents of the mainland have traditional interest in the land of their origin. (*DM*, 19 Feb, p2)

The Kuku Ya'u people, who live around the Lockhart River community, failed in their bid to stop development of a multimillion dollar upmarket resort on Restoration Island. (CM, 16 Feb, p5)

Tribal elder John Lee Jones and members of the Dalungbaratchala and Ngulungbara people of Kguri (Fraser) and the Great Sandy Region are suing the Queensland and Commonwealth Governments to redeem Fraser Island and surrounding waters up to 200 nautical mile limit. However the applicants were asked by the Supreme Court to amend their application as the Supreme Court's jurisdiction extended to the three nautical miles (*CM*, 21 Feb, p14)

The Gurang Land Council called a summit to discuss native title, land issues and representative body practices. More than 300 members of the Aboriginal community within the wide Bay and Central Queensland areas attended the summit. (NM, 2 Mar, p5)

Descendants of the Turrbal clan announced they would lodge a native title application over land between the Brisbane and Caboolture rivers. (CM, 12 Mar, p5)

Western Australia

After 18 months of failed mediation between the State Government and three Goldfields applicant groups, the Tribunal has ruled to allow compulsory acquisition of native title rights and interests to 1185ha of vacant crown land 26km east of Kalgoorlie-Boulder. Tribunal member Christopher Sumner determined that development could proceed on condition that the Government appointed at least one representative from the applicant groups to a park advisory board if any group obtained a determination of native title. (WA, 23 Feb, p10)

Premier Richard Court stated that native title application is costing potential home and business purchasers huge premiums because of land shortages. As much as 82 per cent of

WA is now under native title claim much of it under multiple claim. The Premier added this highlights the need for a stronger registration test and amendments to the right to negotiate. (ST, 22 Feb, p7)

Mr Barker QC for the Mirriuwung and Gajerrong people argued in the Federal Court, the notion that East Kimberley Aboriginal people had to produce 'lost tribe' proposition before proving native title was wrong. (WAus, 31 Mar, p22)

South Australia

Aboriginal and civic leaders gathered in Port Adelaide to sign a document in support of native title and the Wik decision. The mayor Ms Johanna McLuskey said the Federal Government's 10-point plan would "promote a land grab" to the detriment of the Indigenous people. (Ad, 4 Feb, p10)

An attempt to stop construction of the Hindmarsh Island Bridge by Ngarrindjeri people is set for hearing in the High Court. (WA, 4 Feb, p24) The court will be asked to determine the right of the Commonwealth to make laws, which were to the detriment of Aborigines. This is regarded by some as a question critical to the Government's 10-point plan. (Ad, 4 Feb, p10)* The Australian people had unwittingly empowered the Federal government to pass racially discriminatory laws against indigenous Australians at the 1967 referendum, the Government told the High Court. (SMH, 7 Feb, p6)*

Victoria

Groups including the Australian Conservation Foundation, the Ethnic Communities Council and the Brotherhood of St Lawrence issued a joint statement condemning the Government's determination to push its 10-point plan through Parliament. They also called on Prime Minister John Howard to acknowledge the need for negotiation and cooperation, and ensure Crown land leased to pastoralists was not upgraded from leasehold to the equivalent of freehold title. (HS, 23 Mar, p16)

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Native Title Research Unit Publications

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Claims to Knowledge, Claims to Country: Native Title, native title claims and the role of the anthropologist

(Summary of proceedings of a conference session on native title at the annual conference of the Australian Anthropological Society, 28-30 September 1994 - cost \$11.85 including postage)

Anthropology in the Native Title Era

(Proceedings of a workshop conducted by the Australian Anthropological Society and the Native Title Research Unit, AIATSIS, 14-15 February 1995 - cost \$11.95 including postage)

The Skills of Native Title Practice

(Proceedings of a workshop conducted by the NTRU, the Native Title Section of ATSIC and the Representative Bodies, 13-15 September 1995 - cost \$15 including postage)

Heritage and Native Title: Anthropological and Legal Perspectives

(Proceedings of a workshop conducted by The Australian Anthropological Society and AIATSIS at the ANU, Canberra, 14-15 February 1996 ~ cost \$20 including postage)

A Sea Change in Land Rights Law: The Extension of Native Title to Australia's Offshore Areas by Gary D. Meyers, Malcolm O'Dell, Guy Wright and Simone C. Muller. (\$12.95 including postage) Regional Agreements: Key Issues in Australia Volume I, Summaries. Editor: Mary Edmunds (cost TBA)

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- No 10: Native Title and Intellectual Property, by David H Bennett
- No. 11: Raising Finance on Native Title and other Aboriginal Land, by Joe Nagy
- No. 12: Co-existence of interests in land: a dominant feature of the common law, by Maureen Tehan
- No. 13: Wik- the way forward, by Rick Farley
- No. 14: Lighting the Wik of change, by Mark Love.
- No. 15: Neither Rights nor Workability: The Proposed Amendments of the Right to Negotiate, by Liz Keith.
- No. 16: *Racial Non-Discrimination standards and proposed amendments to the Native Title Act*, by Jennifer Clarke.
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