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To Whom It May Concern,

INDIGENOUS LAW CENTRE SUBMISSION TO EMRIP STUDY

The Indigenous Law Centre wishes to make a contribution to the study on the right to participate in decision making for your consideration.

The Indigenous Law Centre, based at the Faculty of Law, University of New South Wales was established in 1981 to develop and coordinate research, teaching and information services in the multi-disciplinary area of Indigenous peoples and the law. Our objectives are to: To conduct legal research into Indigenous peoples and the law, emphasising the core ILC areas of research and publish and disseminate ILC research throughout Australia and internationally; to participate in national and international law and policy discussion and debate about Indigenous peoples and the law and; to develop curricula and teaching materials
on domestic and international Indigenous legal issues and encourage and foster student research in domestic and international Indigenous legal issues.

The Indigenous Law Centre also produces two legal publications, the *Indigenous Law Bulletin* and the *Australian Indigenous Law Review*. The *Indigenous Law Bulletin*, previously known as the *Aboriginal Law Bulletin*, is a leading Australian journal for accessible, accurate and timely information about Indigenous peoples and the law. Established in 1981, the *Bulletin* is a valuable resource for legal practitioners, advocates, policy-makers and community organisations working to achieve better legal, policy and program outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We have compiled a short literature review of the most significant articles published over the past 30 years. We consider these to be the relevant to the purview of your study:


The Bulletin authorises the reproduction, with appropriate citation, of each of these articles on the OHCHR website. We hope you find this to be a valuable and helpful contribution to the study into Indigenous peoples’ right to participate in decision making.

Yours sincerely,

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