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Kuranda District State College
via email principal@kurandadistrictsc.eq.edu.au

Dear Principal Steven Moore,

RE: Proposal of Djabugay language teaching at Kuranda District State College

DTAC – Djabugay Tribal Aboriginal Corporation, YEAR-1992, ICN1536
*DNTAC – Djabugay Native Title Aboriginal Corporation, YEAR-2004, ICN4358 (*RNTBC – Representative Native Title Body Corporate)

It has come to our notice that DTAC is leading the implementation of ‘Djabugay language’ at Kuranda District State College.

DTAC has no cultural authority over any area. DNTAC has no cultural authority outside the Barron Gorge Native Title determination area, including the country where the school is located on the south-side of the Barron River.


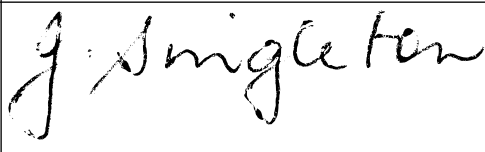
Cairns Regional Claim (CRC) Group QC2016/008 / QUD692/2016 was filed in 2016 and is tasked with undertaking Native Title negotiations over the Kuranda and Cairns area. At this time, the determination has not yet been completed. Therefore it is pre-emptive at this juncture to be introducing ‘Djabugay language’; potentially to the detriment of the Cairns Regional Claim Group proceedings now underway.

The CRC will commence with a ‘CRC Language Advisory Committee’ to ensure local schools in the claim group area (including KDSC) have certainty for cultural inclusion programs in the future. We apologise for the delay and understand KDSC is keen for implementation of cultural programs in the near future.

In the meantime, the representative Cairns Regional Claim Group Applicants signed below ask you to postpone the language program awaiting further advice from the CRC Language Advisory Committee.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter and request your confirmation by reply.

Cairns Regional Claim Group Applicants

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