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Via email: ExecutiveCoordination@aiatsis.gov.au

Dear AIATSIS,

RE: Education Queensland Consultation in Kuranda, FNQ

In March 2020 (pre-covid) the Buluwai people started a consultation with Education Queensland here in Kuranda, Far North Queensland.

If Education Queensland is sourcing Horton 1996 for departmental purposes, Buluwai Cultural Heritage *will surely be harmed*, along with many other tribes across Queensland, including locally Ngadjan, Gunggay, Yirrganydji, Muluridji and Buluwai which are omitted on the map.

The map needs to be updated with more anthropologically correct information, per intensive studies in the last 20 years of primary source material from the SA Museum's extensive Norman Tindale Collection.

Please assist us by emailing Education Queensland the disclaimer and explain this is not the purpose of the AIATSIS map, and that Horton 1996 map is now out of date and requires government funding to combine new information gathered by tribes in the last 25 years.

This map attempts to represent the language, social or nation groups of Aboriginal Australia. It shows only the general locations of larger groupings of people which may include clans, dialects or individual languages in a group. It used [published resources from 1988-1994](#) and is not intended to be exact, nor the boundaries fixed. It is not suitable for native title or other land claims. David R Horton (creator), © AIATSIS, 1996. No reproduction without permission. [Purchase a print copy of the map.](#)

Regarding this note, please add 'language' for accuracy:

Note that the borders between groups are purposefully represented as slightly blurred and are not meant to be exact. Some of the information shown on the map is contested and may not be agreed to by some traditional custodians – the map isn't suitable for native title or other land [or language](#) claims.

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See ATTACHMENT PDF: <https://buluwai.org/content/uploads/CORRECTTHEAIATSISMAP.pdf>

On behalf of all Buluwai People, may I extend our thanks to you. Stay sacred, as we all are.

Yours sincerely

William (Willie) Brim
Buluwai Traditional Owner / Cultural Custodian

