

PILBARA KEY MANAGER'S INDIGENOUS FORUM

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

18 FEBRUARY 2004

We the undersigned Managers, as members of the Pilbara Key Manager's Indigenous Forum hereby agree to adopt the Mapping and Gap Analysis Report prepared by the Department of Indigenous Affairs as a pathway to creating improved outcomes for Indigenous people in the Port Hedland area.

The Report has identified both strengths that can be built upon and current inadequacies that need to be addressed in order to improve outcomes for Indigenous people. The Pilbara Key Managers Indigenous Forum is committed to working together and with the Indigenous community to address these issues.

It is recognised that the list of recommendations generated by this Report are wide ranging and provide a working framework through which the Pilbara Key Managers Indigenous Forum can achieve improved outcomes for Indigenous people within the region.

Many of the recommendations are specific and long term in nature. The Pilbara Key Managers Indigenous Forum therefore recognises that the process of prioritisation and implementation will be dynamic and that the recommendations are open to further evolution and change in consultation with the broader community.

The adoption of this Report will bring the work of the Pilbara Key Managers Indigenous Forum to a new stage – that of implementing strategies to achieve actual outcomes in the Port Hedland area, now that primary issues have been identified.

Importantly, the Mapping and Gap Analysis Report has been utilised in the development of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission Ngarda Ngarli Yarndu Regional Council's Strategic Plan which is the peak framework representing the desires and wishes of the Indigenous people within the Region.

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