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*In Attendance*  
*DC DIA*  
*DA DHW (a Patrick Egan)*  
*ATSIC - Commissioners*  
*ATSIC - Chair*  
*ATSIC - Regional Manager*  
*DIA - Regional Manager*  
*Tuesday 11 March 2003*  
*2:00 pm*

Dear Gordon

#### **Indigenous Urban Settlements Project**

I am writing to you to confirm the outcome of our meeting regarding the Indigenous urban settlements located in the metropolitan area.

As discussed the Department of Indigenous Affairs (DIA) has been requested by the Hon Minister for Indigenous Affairs, in accordance with the Statement of Commitment, to liaise with ATSIC and provide advice on the status and future of the four Indigenous settlements.

I appreciate your undertaking that the issue will be considered by the full membership of the Perth Noongar Regional Council in order to establish an ATSIC "position" on this matter. In order to inform the discussion DIA will provide and information update regarding the status of the land, ALT position, relevant reports and any other information considered relevant.

I found our discussion regarding the settlements very informative and I agree the issues involved with the settlements are sensitive, complex and will require careful consideration.

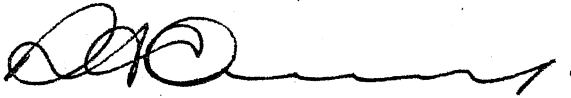
If you require any further information or clarification of this matter I can be contacted on 9235 8000.

*HEARINGS 18/8/03*  
*MR Richard Curry.*

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I look forward to receiving the Councils advice on this important matter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Curry', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Richard Curry  
DIRECTOR GENERAL  
13 March 2003

cc. Greg Joyce, Director General, Department of Housing and Works  
Farley Garlett, Commissioner, South West Zone, ATSIC  
Barry Johnson, Regional Manager, ATSIC