

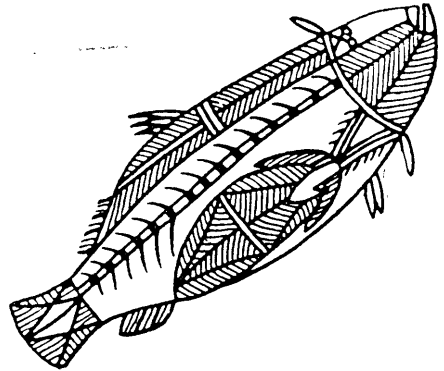
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The next meeting of the Advisory Committee of the Aboriginal Law Centre will be held in Sydney at 5.30pm, Friday 11 December in Room 1121, Law School, Level 11, Library Tower, University of New South Wales. (Car entrance, High Street Gate 9).

Any member of the "network" (ie those who receive ALN) is invited to attend. The meeting has been timed to allow those who are in Sydney for the Conference "Negotiating Settlement" (see page 2) to meet with Sydney-based members of the Advisory Committee.

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CONFERENCE

"Negotiating Settlement"

Convened by NAILSS, Tranby and TUCAR

on behalf of

the National Coalition of Aboriginal Organizations

in association with

the Aboriginal Law Centre, University of New South Wales

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Room 1201, Law School, Library Tower  
University of New South Wales

9am-4pm Saturday 12 December;  
9am-3pm Sunday 13 December 1987

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*The Conference is primarily an opportunity for Aboriginal people to discuss the various options.*

*They will be assisted by a small group of invited experts.*

*The major topics are likely to be:*

- 1. The Comparative Dimension - experience with Treaties in North America, New Zealand, etc.*
- 2. Forms of settlement - treaty, compact, constitutional provision, etc.*
- 3. The Negotiation Process.*

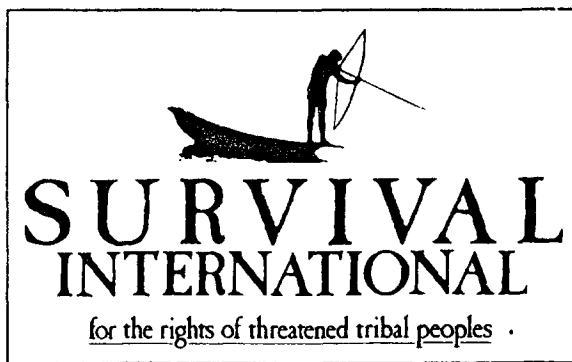
A light lunch will be provided on both days; also morning and afternoon tea.

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Dear *Geoff Nethem*,

1988 Bicentennial

Further to my previous letter, I am writing to let you know that plans for our 1988 campaign are well in hand. As you know, we are taking the Aboriginal slogan "Nothing to celebrate in 88" and using it to try to raise awareness in the UK of the reality of Australian history over the last 200 years. We will send you copies of the Pack when it is available early in the new year. We are also planning a walk with Survival International members and celebrities from Australia House (where we will deliver a large commemorative card in memory of all the Aboriginals who have died as a result of colonisation) to Downing Street (we will give Mrs Thatcher a letter signed by the celebrities pointing out the British government's responsibility for the present situation) and then on to the Cook memorial where we will lay a large wreath in the Aboriginal colours. This will all take place on the morning of 26 January and we hope it will attract press attention to our campaign.

Since we started the planning of our campaign, we have heard of the Aboriginal boycott of all the bicentennial celebrations. We are anxious to support this and are therefore telling our groups, members and supporters that they should not participate in any events that are "celebratory" in nature. Instead we are encouraging them to mount alternative events or to leaflet the official celebrations. We would very much like your reactions to this as we are eager to support what you are doing in Australia and to speak with one voice. On the other hand, we feel the Bicentennial is too good an educational opportunity to miss to bring to the attention of a much wider British public the injustices perpetrated by white Australia.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

*Jane White*

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