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Ballardong People Report

This report was prepared by research staff of the National Native Title Tribunal as the last report in a series of reports on the South West of Western Australia. The report covers the area claimed by the Ballardong People (WC00/7) to the west of the eastern boundary of the Combined Single Noongar Claim (WC03/6).

This report is based on publicly and readily available information that describes the location of groups within the area covered by the report. The report also includes material that describes relationships between groups, for example, through trade, ceremony, mythology or marriage. The movement of groups into and out of this area has also been noted. Language groups mentioned include the Ballardong, Njaki-njaki, Wadjuk and Wiilman.

Research Method

This report contains summaries of information that is publicly available and relevant to the location of the Aboriginal peoples in the area claimed by the Ballardong People (WC00/7) to the west of the Combined Single Noongar Claim's (WC03/6) eastern boundary.

The research material used for this report is based largely on a search of the AIATSIS on-line catalogue supplemented by relevant references found in Tindale's (1974) Aboriginal Tribes of Australia, Thieberger's (1993) Handbook of Western Australian Languages South of the Kimberley Region and Horton's (1994) The Encyclopaedia of Aboriginal Australia. The following general references were also used:

- Bates 1985, The Native Tribes of Western Australia;
- Capell 1963, Linguistic Survey of Australia;
- Davidson 1938, A Preliminary Register of Australian Tribes and Hordes;
- Horton (ed) 1994, Encyclopaedia of Aboriginal Australia;
- Oates & Oates 1970, Revised Linguistic Survey of Australia;
• O'Grady, Wurm and Hale, 1966, *Aboriginal Languages of Australia: A Preliminary Classification*;
• Tindale 1940, 'Distribution of Australian Aboriginal tribes: a field survey';
• Tindale 1974, *Aboriginal Tribes of Australia*; and

Maps of the area produced by linguists and anthropologists showing language or tribal names were used to decide which names to search on the AIATSIS catalogue.

Tindale's 1974 map, 'Tribal Boundaries in Aboriginal Australia', shows a number of tribal groups in the area covered by this report: Balardong, Njakinjaki, Wudjari, Koreng, Wiilman and Whadjuk. In 1994 AIATSIS published the *Encyclopaedia of Aboriginal Australia*, edited by David Horton. In 2000 (3rd edition) a map, *Aboriginal Australia*, was produced to accompany the Encyclopaedia. Horton's map shows a number of groups in the area covered by this report area: Balardung, Nyaki Nyaki, Wudjari, Goreng, Wiilman and Wajuk.

The AIATSIS catalogue was then searched using the following names in the 'language group' field: Balardung, Nyaki Nyaki, Wiilman, Wudjari, Goreng and Wajuk. The AIATSIS catalogue was not searched for Yuat as the overlap with the area covered by this report was minimal. Each record was examined to determine its likely relevance or usefulness. Materials were filtered as described below. The result of these searches is set out in the table below:

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<td>14</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>Wiilman not Nyaki Nyaki not Balardung</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>14</td>
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In addition, the Geoscience Australia web site was viewed to determine the grid references relevant to the area covered by this report. The AIATSIS catalogue uses these grid references. The AIATSIS catalogue was then searched using these references in the 'place' field. The search result was viewed to determine which items were relevant. Materials with access restrictions were omitted as were foreign language materials, obvious duplications, microforms, audio material and material that appeared to deal with technical aspects of language or education curricula. The search resulted in the following:

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The Environment Australia catalogue was then searched using the following references in the 'subject keyword' field: Barbalin Rock, Mangowine, Nungarin, Burracoppin, Bruce Rock WA, Jitarning, Lake Grace, Newdegate, Mount Stirling WA, Mooranoppin Rock, Mount Mackintosh, Parker Range, York WA, Northam WA, Meckering and Quairading. However, the results included only

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two items relevant to Bruce Rock which were relevant to this report.
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