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Introduction

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It should be noted that the contents and production of these reports are governed by time and resource constraints. They are often prepared in four to eight weeks by a single research officer with some input from a research assistant and Tribunal librarian. Generally most of the references sought for these reports are available only from the AIATSIS library, which in turn has limited resources available to supply material. Therefore care is taken to request only that material which appears relevant to the scope of a particular report.

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Dja Dja Wurrung Peoples Report

This report was prepared by research staff of the National Native Title Tribunal to assist in the mediation of the Dja Dja Wurrung Peoples (VC00/1) native title application. The report is based on publicly and readily available information relevant to the location, movement and interrelationships of the Dja Dja Wurrung Peoples. The area claimed by the Dja Dja Wurrung Peoples runs roughly between the centre of Lake Buloke north-east to Kow Swamp, south almost to Mt Macedon, extending in a westerly direction to the north of Moorabool Reservoir and through Lake Learmonth, and then north through Amphitheatre and Kara Kara State Park, and then along the Avon and Richardson Rivers.

Research Method

The research material used for this report is based largely on a search of the AIATSIS online catalogue supplemented by relevant references found in Tindale's (1974) *Aboriginal Tribes of Australia* and Horton's (1994) *The Encyclopaedia of Aboriginal Australia*. The following general references were also used:

- 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'; and
• Tindale 1974, *Aboriginal Tribes of Australia*.

A search of the AIATSIS on-line catalogue using Djadja Wurrung in the 'language group' field yielded 48 records. A search was then made of the AIATSIS catalogue using 'Lewurung' in the 'language group' field, yielding 6 records.

Each record was examined to determine its likely relevance or usefulness. Materials with access restrictions were omitted as were foreign language materials, obvious duplications, apparent cataloguing errors, microforms, audio material and material that appeared to deal with technical aspects of language or education curricula.

The Environment Australia on-line catalogue was also searched under the headings: Warrnambool, Hamilton Victoria, Portland Victoria, Port Fairy, Lake Condah, Cape Bridgewater, Ararat, Stawell and Caramut. The results are set out below:

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Relevant material from previous research reports was also included.

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