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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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Latji Latji Report

The Latji Latji report was prepared by research staff of the National Native Title Tribunal to assist in the mediation of the North West Victoria Native Title claims. The report is based on publicly and readily available information relevant to the traditional location of Latji Latji peoples.

Research Method

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* under the heading 'Latji Latji'. This report also utilised the connection report Hagen & Atkinson 2000, 'Connection to Country Stage Two Research Study'. As this report was not assessment of individual connection to a claim area, the genealogical materials in the connection report were not reviewed nor were they provided as an appendix.

The following general references were also used:

- Capell 1963, *Linguistic Survey of Australia*;
- Davidson 1938, *A Preliminary Register of Australian Tribes and Hordes*;
- Horton 1994, *The Encyclopaedia of Aboriginal 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
- Wurm and Hattori 1981, *Language Atlas of the Pacific Area*.

A search was made of the 'print collection' of the AIATSIS on-line catalogue since sound tapes, film sources and material on microfilm are difficult to process within the time and resource constraints. The AIATSIS catalogue displayed 29 titles using 'Latji Latji' as a key word. Materials with access restrictions were omitted from the list of items requested as were foreign language materials, obvious duplications, microforms and material that appeared to deal with technical aspects of language or education curricula.

In addition, a search was also made of the Environment Australia catalogue for materials under the keywords Mildura, Murray-Sunset National Park, Sunset country, Hattah-Kulkyne National Park, Murray Kulkyne Park, Chalk Creek, Robinvale, Murray River Darling River, Murrayville, Pine Plains and Riverine. Only three sources were found in the Mildura search, and these were not relevant.

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