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Introduction

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Ngarrindjeri Report

The Ngarrindjeri report was prepared by research staff of the National Native Title Tribunal to assist in the mediation of the Ngarrindjeri native title application (SC98/004). It was based on publicly and readily available information relevant to the traditional location of six groups or clans that together make up the entity known in the literature as Ngarrindjeri. The six groups are — Nganguruku, Ngara lta, Portaulun, Jarildekald, Ramindjeri and Warki.

Research Method

The research material used for the report was based largely on a search of the AIATSIS online catalogue, Mura. The material generated by these library searches was supplemented by relevant material and further references found in the following general references:

- Davidson, 1938, *A Preliminary Register of Australian Tribes and Hordes*;
- Davis, 1993, *Australia’s Extant and Imputed Traditional Aboriginal Territories*;
- Horton, 1994, *The Encyclopaedia of Aboriginal Australia*;
- O’Grady, Wurm and Hale, 1966, *Aboriginal Languages of Australia: A Preliminary Classification*;
- Sutton, 1995, *Country: Aboriginal boundaries and land ownership in Australia*;
• Tindale, 1940, ‘Distribution of Australian Aboriginal tribes: a field survey’;
• Tindale, 1974, *Aboriginal Tribes of Australia*; and

The AIATSIS catalogue was searched using the following names in the ‘language group’ field: Yaraldi, Tangenekald, Portaulun, Warki and Ramindjeri. 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.

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