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THE ULURU STATEMENT FROM THE HEART

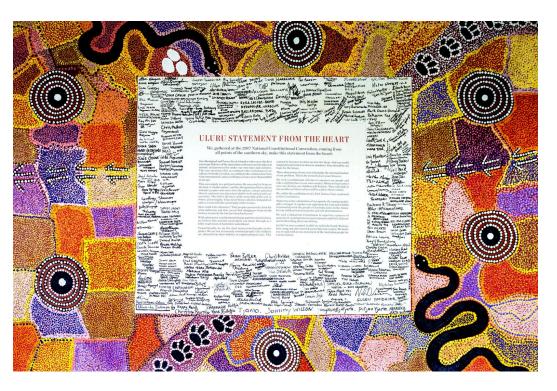
THE FIRST NATIONS VOICE TO PARLIAMENT



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1. THE ULURU STATEMENT FROM THE HEART



The Uluru Statement from the Heart was issued to the Australian people on 26 May 2017 by First Nations delegates to the Referendum Council's Constitutional Convention at Uluru, mandating the reforms set by the delegates to the Regional Dialogues.

The Statement calls for a sequenced order of reforms:

- 1. Firstly, a **First Nations Voice to Parliament** (*Voice*); and
- Secondly, a Makarrata Commission (to supervise agreement-making processes (*Treaty*) between First Nations peoples and government/s and *Truth Telling* processes (*Truth*))

OVER A DECADE OF WORK ON CONSTITUTIONAL RECOGNITION OF FIRST PEOPLES 12 YEARS

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THE DIALOGUES

THE ULURU

The Uluru Statement from the Heart was born from a series of regional dialogues held across the country, culminating in a National Constitutional Convention at Uluru in 2017. The purpose of these 12 Dialogues and 1 regional meeting was to consult and educate, resulting in the most proportionally significant consultation process of First Nations peoples Australia has ever seen.

EXPLORE DIALOGUES





12 REGIONAL DIALOGUES, 1 NATIONAL CONVENTION, OVER 1,200 DELEGATES.



THE LARGEST FIRST NATIONS CONSULTATION PROCESS IN AUSTRALIAN HISTORY.



2. THE VOICE REFERENDUM & What's happening right now...

- **1. WORK OF THE ULURU DIALOGUE**
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ULURU DIALOGUE







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FOUR KEY WORK STREAMS OF THE ULURU DIALOGUE



Consultation & Indigenous support

Continued consultation with community.



Legal work & reform

Consultation, research and drafting of the amendment, bill and question.



Political support

Drive support of both the referendum and the 2023 timeline.



Education campaign

Through ongoing communications, PR efforts & activations.

REFERENDUM ADVISORY GROUPS



Referendum Engagement Group

Provides advice on engaging and building support in communities for the referendum



Referendum Working Group

Provide advice to government on implementing a referendum on the Voice Legal Expert Group Indigeous and non-Indigenous legal experts providing legal advice to the Referendum Advisory Groups.

PROPOSED DRAFT QUESTION

Do you support an alteration to the Constitution that establishes an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice?

1. There shall be a body, to be called the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice.

2. The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice may make representations to Parliament and the Executive Government on matters relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

3. The Parliament shall, subject to this Constitution, have power to make laws with respect to the composition, functions, powers and procedures of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice.

DRAFT Amendments

Section 129 The First Nations Voice

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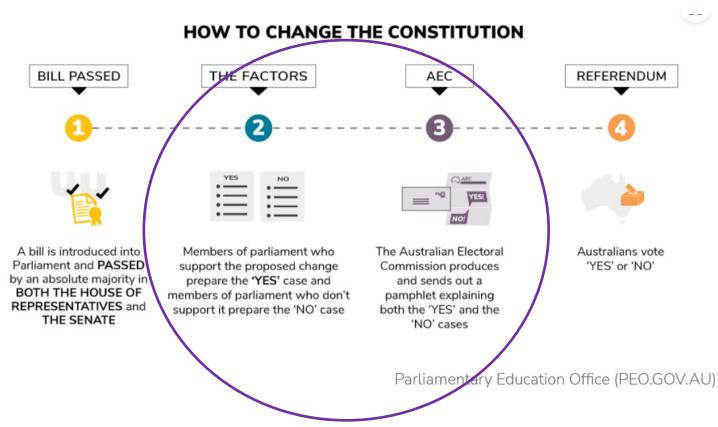
(2) The First Nations Voice:

(a) shall make representations to Parliament and to the Executive Government of the Commonwealth on matters it deems relevant to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples; and

(b) may perform such additional functions as the Parliament provides, including, at the request or with the concurrence of the Parliament of a State or Territory, the function of making representations to the Parliament or government of that State or Territory.

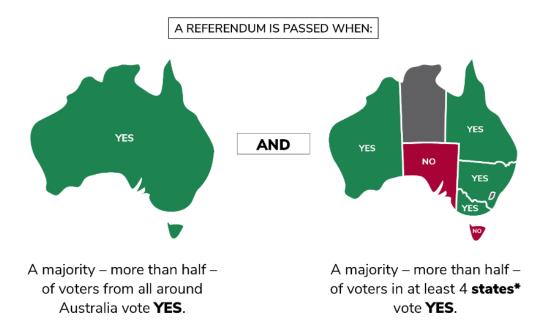
(3) The Parliament shall, subject to this Constitution, have power to make laws with respect to the composition, functions, powers and procedures of the First Nations Voice, and matters incidental to the execution of the powers vested by this Constitution in the First Nations Voice.

REFERENDUM PROCESS



DOUBLE MAJORITY

The Australian Constitution can only be changed with the support of the majority of Australian voters **AND** a majority of voters in a majority of states (ie. at least 4 states).



*Votes from the ACT, NT and other territories are counted in the national majority only.

Changing the Australian Constitution – double majority. PARLIAMENTARY EDUCATION OFFICE (PEO.GOV.AU)

3. RESOURCES

All of our resources can be accessed on our website: <u>www.ulurustatement.org</u>

Supporter Kits, images and social media tiles

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Head to the \equiv icon in the right corner to access the:

- o 'TAKE ACTION'; and
- o 'EDUCATION'

tabs, which have all of our resources

WRITE TO YOUR MP

YARRABAH AFFIRMATION

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4. WHAT YOU CAN DO AS AN INDIVIDUAL...

- 1. Sign up to the <u>www.ulurustatement.org</u> website
- 2. Follow us on our social media & share our content
- 3. Get informed & have conversations about the Voice with your family, friends and networks
- 4. Writing to your member of Parliament in support, using our letter generator as your guide
- 5. Hold your own events to promote the Voice a BBQ,

morning tea etc





Support a First Nations Voice to Parliament.

