



Referendum Council

The Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP
Prime Minister
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

The Hon Bill Shorten MP
Leader of the Opposition
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

13 July 2017

Dear Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition,

As Co-Chairs of the Referendum Council, we have previously forwarded to you the final report of the Cape York Institute, "A First Nations Voice in the Constitution". (Copy attached).

In the event of this report being released, we would like to make it clear that it was received after the Referendum Council's report was submitted to you and in no way forms part of the Council's report. Moreover, any recommendations contained in the Cape York Institute report are not in any way to be considered as recommendations of the Referendum Council. The Cape York Institute report was commissioned by the Council as a piece of research to enable it to consider "The Voice in the Constitution" option. It was originally provided to the Referendum Council in draft form and subsequently updated following the Uluru convention.

We would ask you to ensure that this letter accompanies any release of the Cape York Institute report.

Yours sincerely,

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