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DEPARTMENT OF TERRITORIES.

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ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION: RETTA DIXON HOME.

Reference folio 1.

- The Department was requested to obtain the views of the Administrator on:
- V(a) the future of the Retta Dixon Home; and
- (b) the question of corporal punishment at the Home.

3. These views were sought in a memorandum of 5th March, (folio 3). For various reasons (given by the Administrator at folios 4, 8 and 10) this information has not been supplied.

The matter is brought to your attention in accordance with office instructions.

matter is still outstanding is attached for signature, should A memorandum reminding the Administrator that this you concur with its despatch.

ASST.SEC. (S&GS):

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His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, DARWIN. N.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION: RETTA DIXON HOME.

On 24th February, 1957, the Minister received, in Sydney, a deputation from the Aborigines Inland Mission and discussed two matters relating to the Retta Dixon

2. My memorandum of 5th March, 1957, forwarded details of that meeting and requested your views on:

- (a) the future of the Retta Dixon Home;
 - (b) the question of corporal punishment / at the Home.
- 3. For various reasons this information has not previously been available. As approximately eight months have elapsed since the matter was first raised, it would be appreciated if your views could be forwarded.

4. Your papers PB.55/253/96 refer.

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(C.R. Lambert) Secretary.

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His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, DARWIN....N.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION: RETTA DIXON
HOME
Your reference 55/253/96 of 13th June, 1956.

I should be glad if you would let me know the present position in this matter.

C.R. Lambert)
Secretary.

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PB. 55/253/96 ADMINISTRATOR, DARWIN, NT.

13 JUN 1956

The Secretary,
Department of Territories,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Ministerial Schedule No. 191
Date 20/6/56.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION : RETTA DIXON HOME

I refer to your Min. 56/162 of 7th June, 1956, on the above subject.

- 2. Because of the Assistant Director of Welfare's absence in the South carrying out interviews for Settlement staff it has not been possible to complete the Review Report of the Retta Dixon Home. Mr. Milliken will return to Darwin on 27th June and the report together with recommendations concerning the future operation of the Retta Dixon Home will be forwarded to the Department towards the middle of July.
- The Director of Welfare is at present examining possible sites for a home for children of school age which could then be occupied by the Retta Dixon Home. At the same time consideration is being given to the accommodation of post-primary children and young working people who are presently accommodated at the Retta Dixon Home.

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His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, DARWIN. N.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION - RETTA DIXON HOME.

Reference is made to your memorandum 55/253/87 of 11th May.

2. Your early advice in this matter would be appreciated.

(C.R. Lambert) Secretary.





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* ADMINISTRATOR, DARWIN, NT. 11 MAY 1956

Ministerial Schedule No 175 Date 5/6/56

The Secretary, Department of Territories, CANBERRA. A. C. T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION - RETTA DIXON HOME

(Your memorandum 56/162 of 10th April, 1956 refers)

The absence of the Superintendent of Retta Dixon Home until the end of March and delay subsequently in the matter of a reply from Retta Dixon Home to our request for certain suggestions and information have led to my being unable to furnish the report promised in my 54/67 of 15th . March, 1956.

The information has been promised to me later this week and I expect to be in a position to forward my recommendations before the end of May. The delay is regretted.

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His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, DARWIN. N. T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION : RETTA DIXON HOME.

Reference is made to my memorandum 51/1195 of 5th March and to your 54/67 of 15th March.

Your early advice in this matter would be appreciated.

> (C.R. LAMBERT) Secretary.

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ADMINISTRATOR, DARWIN, N.T.

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The Secretary,
Department of Territories,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION: RETTA DIXON HOME

I refer to your memorandum 51/1195 of 5th March, 1956, on the above subject and have to advise that the two matters referred to will form the subject of a full submission within the next ten days.

(F. J. S. Wise)
ADMINISTRATOR

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MIN. 51/1195

His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, DARWIN.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION: RETTA DIXON HOME.

- On 24th February, the Minister received in Sydney a deputation from the Aborigines Inland Mission, consisting of Mr. Collins and Miss Shankleton, and discussed two matters relating to the Retta Dixon Home.
- The deputation showed the Minister the following telegram received from the Director of Welfare on 3rd February -

"Your letter January 4th and telegram February 3rd refers. I note that your Darwin staff is greatly concerned that corporal punishment of any sort on my wards is forbidden. I should like to confirm that corporal punishment is not to be inflicted on my wards in any circumstances. This derives from plain facts that I have no authority to authorise corporal punishment and secondly that as Legal Guardian I have a duty."

The Minister promised the deputation that he would make enquiries, and has asked me to take up with you the question of corporal punishment at the Retta Dixon Home. The Minister comments:

"The stand taken by the Director of Welfare seems to be rather far-fetched and unreal. While we have to take every precaution to see that the wards are treated properly I cannot understand how discipline can be maintained in all circumstances without some corporal punishment."

The second matter discussed was that of the future of the Retta Dixon Home. The deputation referred to the unsuitable buildings, unsuitable location and serious over-crowding of the Home. They had in mind the transfer of the Home to a more suitable site and the erection of cottage homes, and asked whether the Government would bear the whole capital cost while leaving the management and running of the Home in the hands of the Mission. The Minister told them that the way was open for them to put forward proposals for the consideration of the Government and that this was the only way for such a proposal to be tested. The Minister states:

"I should like to have the views of the Administrator about the future of the Retta Dixon Home. There is obviously a very great need for an extension of this kind of work and we should make up our minds how the extensions can be made under conditions most favourable to the children."

Please R/S on file 57/1195. And S.J.A.

Your views would be appreciated, therefore, on :

(a) the future of the Retta Dixon Home; and(b) the question of corporal punishment at the Home.

A copy of the Minister's minute is attached.



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DEPARTMENT OF TERRITORIES.

Ministerial Schedule No. 6

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Aborigines Inland Mission.

The Secretary,

In Sydney on February 24th I received a deputation from the Aborigines Inland Mission consisting of Mr. Collins and Miss Shankleton, who is the Officer-in-Charge of the Retta Dixon Home at Darwin. Miss Shankleton is at present on leave.

2. The deputation discussed with me princip pleponditions at the Retta Dixon Home. Apparently since Miss Shankleton had left Darwin on leave some question had arisen between the Director of Welfare and the Acting Superintendent of the Home regarding corporal punishment. They showed me the following telegram received on February 3rd from Mr. Giese:-

"Your letter January 4th and telegram February 3rd refers. I note that your Darwin staff is greatly concerned that corporal punishment of any sort on my wards is forbidden. I should like to confirm that corporal punishment is not to be inflicted on my wards in any circumstances. This derives from plain facts that I have no authority to authorise corporal punishment and secondly that as Legal Guardian I have a duty."

I promised the deputation that I would make enquiries.

4. Discussing the future of the Retta Dixon Home generally the deputation referred to the fact that its location was unsuitable and the buildings were unsuitable and that at present it was seriously over-crowded. The Aborigines Inland Mission had in mind the transfer to a more suitable site and the erection cottage homes. They inquired whether the Government would bear the whole capital cost while leaving the management and the running of the home in the hands of the Aborigines Inland Mission.

- 5. I said that the only way in which such a request could be tested was for the Aborigines Inland Mission to put forward proposals for the consideration of the Government. The way was open for them to do so.
- 6. I should be glad if you would take up with the Administrator the question of corporal punishment at the Home. The stand taken by the Director of Welfare seems to be rather far fetched and unreal. While we have to take every precaution to see that the wards are treated properly I cannot understand how discipline can be maintained in all circumstances without some corporal punishment.
- 7. At the same time I should like to have the views of the Administrator about the future of the Retta Dixon Home. There is obviously a very great need for an extension of this kind of work and we should make up our minds how the extensions can be made under conditions most favourable to the children.

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His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, DARWIN. N.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION - RETTA DIXON HOME.

Reference is made to your memorandum 54/67 of 15th March.

The Minister has approved your recommendation to expend the capital subsidy of £1,875 in accordance with the submitted details on the abovementioned Mission.

Chlambert. (C. R. Laphert) Secretary.



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ADMINISTRATOR, DARWIN, N.T.

15th March, 1954.

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The Secretary, Department of Territories, CANBERRA, A.C. T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION - RETTA DIXON HOME, DARWIN.

A Capital Subsidy of £1,875 was approved for 1953/54 for the abovementioned Mission to enable the purchase of a Bedford Truck estimated to cost £1,450 and a 30 cubic foot Refrigerator at an estimated cost of £425. I advise that supporting documents have now been received from the Superintendent of the Retta Dixon Home showing that the actual cost of the Bedford Truck is £1,300 and of the Refrigerator £430, giving a total expenditure of £1,730.

A request has also been received from the Superintendent seeking approval for the balance of the approved Capital Subsidy to be made available towards the cost of an Allen Self-Propelled Motor Scythe, the landed cost of which in Darwin is approximately £155. The Motor Scythe is considered to be a very necessary item of equipment in order to keep under control the fast-growing grass and it is recommended that approval be given for the unexpended balance of £145 of the approved Capital Subsidy to be diverted and used towards the cost of a Motor Scythe.

It is accordingly requested that the approval of the Minister be sought to the above proposal.

Your early advices would be appreciated.

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(F. J. S. Wise), ADMINISTRATOR.

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THE MINISTER

It is recommended that the above proposal be

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(R. Marsh) Assistant Secretary.
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21st October, 1952. 51/1195.

MEMORANDUM for:-

His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, DARWIN. N.T.

On the 15th September, whilst the Minister was in Sydney, Mrs. R. Long, the Director of the Aborigines' Inland Mission, called on him and they generally discussed some problems arising out of the work of the mission in the Northern Territory.

During the discussion the following major points arose. It appears that some of the missionaries were finding it difficult to persuade natives to attend religious services. Mrs. Long said that their itinerant missionaries had found on some, but not all, cattle stations that the management refused to let their native employees attend such services. In a few instances the missionaries themselves were not allowed to stay on the station.

Mrs. Long also said that on some Government stations, where the missionaries were stationed, it was felt that the Managers had discouraged natives from attending church services.

Mrs. Long felt that this raised an important question touching the rights of the aboriginals to freely attend places for religious worship; that is, can the aboriginals choose for themselves whether or not they attend church services and are they subject to the persuasion of Government officials and station owners.

The Minister then outlined the legal position concerning those who desire to visit aboriginals and pointed out that although officers of the Native Affairs Branch could insist on seeing the natives missionaries could not.

The Minister emphasises that the discussion was quite friendly. After due consideration he wrote to Mrs. Long advising her to arrange for the senior representative of the Mission in the Northern Territory to make arrangements to discuss the matter with you.

I am enclosing a copy of the Minister's letter to Mrs. Long for your information, and am writing this memorandum so that you may have the necessary background to the matters to be raised by the mission's representative if and when he calls upon you.

> (C. R. Lambert) Secretary.

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Ministerial Schedule No 597

Date 8/10/54

7th October, 1952.

Mrs. R. Long,
The Director,
Aborigines Inland Mission of Australia,
242 Pitt Street,
S Y D N E Y.

Dear Madam,

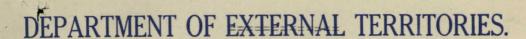
Following your recent interview with me in Sydney I discussed with the officers of my Department the statements which you had made regarding the difficulty which some of your missionaries had found in obtaining access to natives on stations in the Northern Territory. I have also kept in mind the possibility that some officials on Government stations may not be co-operating as fully as you wish.

On thinking over the whole question I think the best course would be for you to arrange for your senior representative of the Mission in the Territory to discuss any such matters with the Administrator, Mr. Wise. I am sure that you will find him sympathetic and understanding.

Yours faithfully,

Minister for Territories.

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The Aborigines Inland Mission has an institution at Darwin called the Retta Dixon Home which is subsidised by the Government. Its itinerant Missions travel through the Territory visiting Government Stations and, wherever they can, pastoral properties. I understand they usually stay a day to a few days in each locality. So far as Government Stations are concerned, I do not think they have any difficulty in getting entry or in interviewing the natives resident thereon. So far as pastoral properties are concerned, it is correct, as you have pointed out, that their right of entry and right of contact with the Natives employed or resident thereon is subject to the goodwill of whoever is in charge of the station.

I should imagine it might be true that some pastoralists persuade natives against attending the Mission services. There is a strong antipathy to the Missions amongst some pastoralists in the Territory, and I have frequently heard pastoralists complain that Missions spoil the natives. I would not without collaboration be prepared to believe that Superintendents of Government Stations use such persuasion.

It is a delicate matter and I would suggest that Mrs. Long be advised to arrange for the representative of the Mission in the Territory to discuss the matter with the Administrator. Although there is no law against it, I think it is inadvisable for anybody, particularly officials on Government Stations, to persuade natives against attending the Mission services without very good cause. We might send the Administrator a note and suggest that enquiries might be made by the Native Affairs Branch through its field officers, and where there is evidence that unjust persuasive methods are used, that they take action discreetly to combat it.

Seretary. 18/9/52.

THE MINISTER.

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES.



Ministerial Schedule No 572

Date 16/9/52

THE SECRETARY.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION.

Mrs. R. Long, Director, Aborigines Inland Mission saw me in Sydney on 15th September and discussed generally the work of their mission in the Northern Territory.

Among the matters she raised was the difficulty some of the missionaries are experiencing in persuading the natives to attend their church services. They believe that this is due, in part, to discouragement of the natives from attending by other Europeans. Mrs. Long said that their itinerant missionaries found on some, but not all, cattle stations that the management refused to let their employees attend and that in a few instances the missionaries were not allowed to stay on the stations. I informed Mrs. Long that the pastoralists had their own rights on their own property and that, although officers of the Native Affairs Department could insist on seeing natives, it was not possible for missionaries to do so.

Mrs. Long, while not wishing to make a specific complaint, also said that on some of the Government stations where the missionaries were stationed they felt that the Managers also discouraged natives from attending church services.

Mrs. Long presented the whole issue as a question of whether or not the aborigines had freedom of religion and worship - in other words can the natives choose for themselves whether or not they attend church services or are they subject to the persuasions of officials and station owners.

The discussion was quite friendly but I should like to have a few notes which would enable me to reply, by letter, in due course to Mrs. Long.

Minister.

15/9/52.

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29th July, 1952 51/1195.

MEMORANDUM for:

His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, DARWIN N.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION - "RETTA DIXON" HOME DARWIN - SUBSIDY.

The budget papers of the abovementioned Mission which were left here by Mr. Moy have now been examined and reveal that the Mission is budgeting for a deficit of £10,000 for 1952/53 for which it evidently desires Commonwealth subsidy and in addition there is a vague request for subsidy to purchase a motor vehicle. In Mr. Moy's examination of the budget he has recommended a subsidy of £9,500 on the grounds that the Mission should be able to raise about £500 in donations.

It is observed that for 1952/53 the Mission is to purchase its own rations (to the value of approximately £5000/6000. This will mean that the provision (underestimated at £2500) for the free supplies of rations by the Native Affairs Branch will be a saving. I agree that it will be a much better arrangement for the Mission to undertake its own supply procurement.

The 1952/53 requirement for "Wages of Staff and Travelling Expenses" shows an appreciable increase over that for last year. I understand from Mr. Moy that the wages of Miss Shankleton and her lady workers were previously met from the £1000 annual subsidy. In Miss Shankleton's letter of 8th April, 1952 she refers to her lady workers as being "honorary" but then goes on to claim £4 per week in respect of them. If these lady workers are to continue to work in an honorary capacity there would be no point in subsidising salaries which are not to be paid to the workers. The amount of the suggested salary - £4 per week - is higher than that normally paid to the Missionaries in the other Missions and I am of the opinion that the item should be reduced by £312 by restricting the subsidy towards salaries for the lady workers to £3 per week subject of course to your satisfying yourself that the amounts are actually paid to the staff. This will reduce the salaries item by £312.

The Mission has usually ended its financial years with a small credit balance (£292 at 30/6/51). The estimated accounts for 1951/52 show a probable credit balance of £1285 but the 1952/53 Budget has not taken this into account. The 1952/53 subsidy requirement has therefore been reduced by this amount.

In 1950/51 an amount of £200 approximately was received by way of donations. The 1951/52 Estimate shows a figure of £416, whilst no provision for donations has been shown for 1952/53. I thin it is reasonable to expect the Mission to raise at least £500 in donations and the subsidy requirement has been reduced by this amoun

The effect of the above adjustments is to reduce the 1952/53 request for a £10,000 subsidy by -

Reduce salaries for staff
Take account of 1951/52 Credit - 1285
Allow for donations - 500
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Approvals have been given to the budget for 1952/53 amended as above with a subsidy payment of £7900 subject to appropriation of the required funds in the current Estimates. No action is to be taken at this stage to subsidise the itinerant work which this Mission does in the full-blood field, or the purchase of a vehicle for their work in the Darwin Area.

(C.R. Lambert) Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES.



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THE SECRETARY.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS : NORTHERN TERRITORY.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION - DARWIN - BAGOT ROAD.

For some years this Mission has been operating at the "Retta Dixon" Home (Half-caste) at Darwin on a subsidy of £1,250 which included £1,000 towards expenses at the Home and £250 for the Mission's itinerant work amongst the full-blood aboriginals on some of the Government Settlements along the Stuart Highway. The Mission occupies buildings and facilities at Bagot Road, the property of the Administration. In addition the Mission has been supplied with free rations and expense stores from the Native Affairs Branch (estimated to cost about £5,000/6,000 per year).

- 2. The Mission in accepting the Budget system for 1952/53 has submitted estimated statements of account for that year showing an anticipated deficiency of £10,000 and also suggesting that we might be inclined to purchase them a vehicle for their work in the Darwin area.
- 3. A comparison of the 1952/53 Budget with the estimated operating results for 1951/52 is as follows:-

Expenditure.

	Estimated 1951/52	Estimated 1952/53
Provisions (Rations, Beef etc.) Clothing, Linen, Bedding, cots etc. School Expenses, travelling	£80 1,196	£5,700— 1,410
(for children), Pocket Money. Recreation and holiday camps. Toys (Xmas Cheer).	184 219 126	200 225 130
Wages and travelling expenses of staff. Transport expenses. General, maintenance and	1,054 217	2,970× 250
telephones. Surplus (estimated).	199 1,286	920—
	£4,561	£11,805

* Salaries provided here for Superintendent and six full time workers; formerly the Superintendent was paid but the staff workers were operating in honorary capacity.

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4. Some comment on the disparity between the two year's figures are:-

- (a) whereas formerly the Administration supplied rations and expense stores free of charge from Native Affairs stocks, it is intended now that the Mission authority accept responsibility for ordering and purchasing its own supplies. Whilst this should result in staff economies in the Administration we will be faced with requests for increased subsidy to meet the Mission's costs for rations. However, against this we will have a saving from within the Aboriginal Maintenance vote (Division 243/c/2) of the provision made for the free rations. In the draft Estimates already before Treasury there is an underestimated provision of £2,500 for free rations to this Mission.
- (b) The 1952/53 item "Wages of Staff and Travelling Expenses" shows an appreciable difference over the previous year. The 1952/53 requirement is for a wage of £6 per week to the Superintendent (Miss Shankleton) and £4 per week for four full-time female staff members. These six lady workers have duties as follows Nursery (18 infants), 3 staff; care of 30 school girls, 2 staff; fourteen kindergarten children, one staff. The Director of Native Affairs has advised that formerly the wages of Miss Shankleton and five lady helpers were provided from the annual subsidy of £1,000. Coloured labour has always been employed at the Mission for laundry and cleaning work, and the married couple mentioned took up duty in March last. For the first time then, the Mission is claiming subsidy for the full wages of its staff. This is reasonable and is no more than what we are doing with other Missions' staffs. However, it will be noted in the Superintendent's letter of 8th April, 1952, that the 6 lady workers are "honorary missionaries and will continue to act in this capacity......". The rate claimed £4 per week is more than the normal stipend paid to unmarried staff on other Missions, and I consider we should not subsidise these stipends beyond £3 per week. There is also the point whether these lady workers are in fact to work in an honorary capacity, i.e., without monetary reward. If they are to continue in an honorary capacity there would be no point in the Department subsidising salaries which are not actually paid to the workers. It is suggested that the budget be reduced by £312 i.e. by reducing the contribution towards stipends from £4 to £3 per week and that the payment of any salary subsidy be conditional on the Administration verifying that salaries are in fact paid to the staff.
- (c) The Mission has usually ended its financial years with a small credit balance. (£292 at 30th June, 1951). The estimated statement of account for 1951/52 shows a probable credit balance of £1,285. The statement for 1952/53, however, has not taken this probable credit into account. I consider that the Budget for 1952/53 should be reduced by this amount of £1,285.

(d) The 1951/52 Revenue includes an estimated sum of £416 by way of donations from parents and Mission sources. In 1950/51 an amount of approximately £200 was collected in donations. The Mission has not included any provision for donations for 1952/53. I think it would be reasonable to expect the Mission to collect at least £500 in donations and accordingly it is considered the Budget should be further reduced by £500.

The effect of the adjustments referred to in the preceding paragraph is to reduce the Mission's requirement for a subsidy of £10,000 to viz:-

Reduce salaries for staff.
Take account of 1951/52 credit
balance.
Allow for donations.

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6. In connection with the normal subsidy of £250 per year which has been paid to the Mission for its itinerant spiritual work in the full-blood field at various Government Settlements, the Director of Native Affairs has verbally advised that he desires the subsidy to be withheld for 1952/53 and until such time as a true assessment of the value of this work by the Mission can be made.

7. RECOMMENDED.

That:-

- (a) approval be given to the 1952/53 budget of the Aborigines Inland Mission, amended as suggested in paragraphs 4 and 5 above, with a subsidy payment of £7,900.
- (b) that no payment be made in respect of the Missions itinerant work in the full-blood field of native welfare.
- (c) that no action be taken at this stage to subsidise the rather vague request for a motor truck for the Mission's work in the Darwin area.
- (d) that Treasury be requested to amend the draft estimates requirement of £1,250 to £7,900 for this Mission and that the draft estimates vote for Division 243/c/2 (aboriginals maintenance) be reduced by £2,500 representing the amount included for free rations to this Mission.

1 26th June, 1952.

approved BRS

FHM/DJ 49/467

29th April, 1952.

MEMORANDUM TO:

HIS HONOUR THE ADMINISTRATOR

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - RETTA DIXON HOME - BAGOT

This Institution has been supported by -

- (a) Issue of rations and expense stores through the Native Affairs Branch Bulk Store at Bagot;
- (b) A grant of £1,000 towards staff expenses;
- (c) Child Endowment;
- (d) Donations from local supporters.

For the current financial year expenditure is estimated at £4,561, in addition to rations and expense stores supplied by the Branch, which will total approximately £6,000.

The authorities estimate that expenditure to the extent of £11,805 will be incurred for the coming financial year and seeks a grant of £10,000. No provision has been made for donations and I consider the Mission should endeavour to obtain £500 from this source.

It is recommended that Ministerial approval be sought to re-imburse the Aborigines Inland Mission to the extent of £9,500 for the 1952/1953 financial year.

Signed F. H. Moy DIRECTOR OF NATIVE AFFAIRS

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION OF AUSTRALIA

+RETTA DIXON HOME+

Head Office 242, Pitt Street, Sydney.

8th April, 1952.

Mr. F. J. S. Wise, Administrator, NORTHERN TERRITORY.

Dear Mr. Wise,

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Yours faithfully,

Signed M. Shankelton.

Superintendent, A.I.M. Home, Darwin.

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BUDGET

estimated income and expenditure

Year from 1st July, 1952 to 30th June, 1953

INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Child Endowment	£1,805	Provisions	£5,700
Balance	10,000	Clothing	1,010
		Linen, Bedding, Cots, etc.	400
		School Expenses and Pocket Money	160
		Recreation and Holiday Camps	225
		Christmas Toys	130
		Children's Travelling Expenses	40
		Wages	2,760
		Staff Travelling Expense	es 210
		Transport Expenses	250
		General and Maintenance Expenses	875
		Telephone	45
	£11,805		11,805

Supporting Statement to Budgetary Requirements for Year Ending 30th June, 1953.

SUMMARY

INCOME		EXPENDITURE
Child Endowment	£ s. d. 1,804.12.10 2 Provision	£ s. d. 5,673.17.10
Balance	9,879.1811 3 Clothing	999.16. 0
	3 Linen, Be	dding, Cots 375.19. 1
	& School Ex Pocket M	penses and oney 156. 0. 0
	7 Recreatio	n and Holiday 218.17. 4
	7 Christmas	Toys 125.17. 2
	Children' Expenses	s Travelling 38.18.3
	/ Wages	2,756. 0. 0
	/ Staff Tra Expenses	velling 210. 0. 0
	& Transport	Expenses 216.17. 2
	U General a ance Exp	
	Telephone	43.17.11
	£11,684.11.9	£11,684.11.9

SUPPORTING STATEMENT TO BUDGETARY REQUIRMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1953

INCOME

Child Endowment	£ s. d.
Received during current year, being four amounts in respect of 48 weeks Estimated 3 weeks	1,699.12.10 105.0.0 1,804.12.10
Balance	9,879.18.11
	£11,684.11.9
EXPENDITURE	
Provisions	

Provisions		
Supplies from Native Affairs Branch on basis of 3 months Dec. Jan. Feb. 1952 at Current or Estimated Prices at March, 1952 £1,395. 8. 8	5,581.14. 8	
Purchases for Nursery, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated " " 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	60.3.2	
Add 15% £80	12.0.0	5,673.17.10
Clothing		
Purchases, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	769. 6. 0 100. 0. 0	
Add 15% £870	130.10.0	999.16. 0
Linen, Bedding, Cots, Etc. (lahit chan)		
Purchases, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	276.18. 1 50. 0. 0	
Add 15% £327	49. 1. 0	375.19. 1
School Expenses and Pocket Money		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	130.10.11 15. 0. 0	
60 Children @ 1/- per week	10. 9.1	156. 0. 0
Connied Fo	rward	£7.205.12.1

Carried Forward

£7,205.12.1

retary Requirements (2)

EXPENDITURE

Brought fo	rward	7,205.12.11
Recreation and Holiday Camps		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	158 .17 . 4 60 . 0 . 0	218.17. 4
Christmas Toys		
Purchases, Dec. 51		125.17. 2
Children's Travelling Expenses		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar.		38.18. 3
Wages		
Estimated 12 mos. Coloured Labour Laundry, £10 per week Grounds, £6 " " Married Couple	520. 0. 0 312. 0. 0	
Maintenance, £7 per week Honorary Staff Superintendent, £6 per week 6 Lady Workers, £4 " "	364. 0. 0 312. 0. 0 1,248. 0. 0	2,756. 0. 0
Estimated 12 mos. 3 Return Rail/Road fares @ £70 ea. (Reig by Staff of 7 and named couple 9 he Transport Expenses	usms 1 years seurice).	210. 0. 0
Petrol, Oil and Repairs to Truck Purchases, 8 mos. Jul/Feb. Estimated, 4 mos. Mar/Jun.	144.17. 2 72. 0. 0	216.17. 2
General and Maintenance Expenses		
Supplies from Native Affairs Branch for 3 mos. Dec. Jan. Feb. '52 at Current or Estimated Prices at March, 1952 £92. 2. 9 Replacements and Renewals of Equipment and Buildings	368.11. 0 250. 0. 0	
Electric Washing Machine Erection of Fowl Run	200.0.0	868.11. 0
Carried	Forward	£11640.13.10

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Budgetary Requirements (3)

EXPENDITURE

Brought forward

11,640.13.10

Telephone

Disbursement for 6 mos.' rental and calls
Estimated 6 mos.

21.17.11

43.17.11

£11,684.11. 9

Current Year (3)

Estimated Income and Expenditure For the Year from 1st July, 1951 to 30th June, 1952

INCOME	EXPENDITURE		
Child Endowment	2,144.12.10	Provisions	80. 3. 2
Staff Allowance	2,000.0.0	Clothing	869. 6. 0
Donations	416. 7. 6	Linen, Bedding, Cots	326.18. 1
		School Expenses and Pocket Money	145.10.11
		Recreation and Holiday Camps	218.17.4
		Christmas Toys	125.17. 2
		Children's Travelling Expenses	38.18. 3
		Wages	781.19. 0
		Travelling Expenses	271.19. 2
		Transport Expenses	216.17. 2
		General and Mainten- ance Expenses	155. 3. 3
		Telephone	43.17.11
		Balance	,285.12.11
	£4,561. 0. 4	£4	4,561. 0. 4

For the Year from 1st July, 1951 to 30th June, 1952

INCOME

Child Endowment		
Received during current year, being four amounts in respect of 48 weeks	1,699.12.10	
Accrued 28th Feb. to 21st Apr., 1952, estimated at	445.0.0	2,144.12.10
Staff Allowance		
Received during current year (in respect of 2 years)		2,000.0.0
Donations		
Received during 9 mos. Jul/Mar:- From Parents From other sources 137. 0. 0 179. 7. 6	316. 7. 6	
Estimated for 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	100.0.0	416. 7. 6
		£4,561. 0. 4
EXPENDITURE		
Provisions		
Purchases for Nursery, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated for Nursery, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	60.3.2	80. 3. 2
Clothing		
Purchases, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	769. 6. 0	869. 6. 0
Linen, Bedding, Cots, etc.		
Purchases, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	276.18. 1 50. 0. 0	326.18. 1
School Expenses and Pocket Money		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	130.10.11	145.10.11
Carried forward		AND THE PERSON NAMED AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NAMED AND ADDRE

Current Year (2)

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Brought	forward	1,421.18. 2
Recreation and Holiday Camps		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	158.17. 4 60. 0. 0	218.17.4
Christmas Toys		
Purchases, December, 1951		125.17. 2
Children's Travelling Expenses		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar.		38.18.3
Wages		
Coloured Labour Laundry and Grounds, Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	426. 4. 0 264.15. 0 690.19. 0	~
Married couple Maintenance Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	91.0.0 325	781.19. 0
Travelling Expenses		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	255.19. 2 16. 0. 0	271.19. 2
Transport Expenses		
Petrol, Oil and Repairs to Truck Purchases, 8 mos. Jul/Feb. Estimated, 4 mos. Mar/Jun.	144.17. 2 72. 0. 0	216.17. 2
General and Maintenance Expenses		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	116. 7. 3 38.16. 0	155. 3. 3
Telephone		
Disbursement, 6 mos. Estimated, 6 mos.	21.17.11 22. 0. 0	43.17.11
Balance		1,285.12.11 £4,561.0.4

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A.I.M. ISSUES

at the Current or Estimated Price as at 31st March, 1952

Item		Quantity	Unit Cost	Total Co	st
Cheese	12 oz.	216 tins	31/8d. doz.	28.10. 0	
		108	40/10d. "	18. 7. 6	a desi
Rolled Oats	2 lb.	144 11	40/100.	27 12 0	
Peas	28 oz.		40/-	27.12. 0	
romatoes .	28 oz.	192 "	3//74.	30. 4. 0	
Pickles	18 oz.	24 bots.	30/0u.	3.13. 0	
Vinegar	26 oz.	48 "	31/9d. "	6. 7. 0	
Tomato Sauce	20 oz.	24 "	48/9d. "	4.17. 6	
Golden Syrup	7 lb.	24 tins	40/63 11	4. 1. 0	
15 11	2 lb.	72 "	12/2d. "	3.13. 0	
Beef	6 lb.	12 "	200/0d. "	10. 0. 0	100
11	12 oz.	96 "	30/0d. "	12. 0. 0	
Herrings	12 oz.	36 "	16/0d. "	2. 8. 0	
				2.13. 0	
Salmon	16 oz.	12	53/0d. "	26.13. 0	
Carrots	16 oz.	han O O	LC/ (40	26. 8. 0	
Salt, fine	lbs.	112 lbs	33/5/0d. ton	1.13. 3	
Currants	lbs.	6 "	24/6d. doz.	12. 3	
Tea	lbs.	54 "	4/0d. 1b.	10.16. 0	
Sugar	lbs. 1,5	40 lbs.	62/15/0d. ton	48. 6. 4	
Flour	lbs.	100 lbs.	48/0/0d. ton	2. 8. 0)
Tapioca	lbs.	12 lbs.	1/12 Th	16 0	\
Rice	lbs.	392 lbs.	63/0d. cwt.	11. 0. 6	
Jelly Crystals	1 07	132 plets	06/04 07000	1 8 0	1
	16 00	70 phos.	20/6d. doz. 23/0d. doz. 18/6d. doz. 123/0d. doz.	6 15 0	
Corn Flour	10. 02.	79 PKUS.	20/04. 402.	0.17.	
Custard Powder	16 oz.	96 pkts.	23/Ud. doz.	9.4.0)
Curry Powder	4 oz.	24 pkts.	18/6d. doz.	1.17. 0)
Milk	3 lb.	192 tins 72 tins	123/0d. doz.	98. 8. 0)
Jam	5 lb.	72 tins 6 jars 60 tins	102/0d. doz.	30.12.	
Cordial	1 gln.	6 jars	11/0d. jar	3. 6. 0	
Peanut Paste	12 oz.	60 tins	40/6d. doz. 27/6d. doz. 25/0d. doz. 36/0d. doz.	10. 2. 6	5
Jam	24 07.	144 tins	27/6d. doz.	16.10. 0)
Sultanas	lbs.	3 lbs.	25/0d. doz.	6. 3	3
	28 oz.	72 ting	36/0d - doz -	10.16.	
Potatoes, dytd.	1 hs	72 tins 22 lbs.	6/9d. lb.	7. 8. 6	
Cornflakes	24 07	72 nkte	47/6d. doz. 16 oz.	21. 7. 6	
Vegemite	4 oz.	74 jana	20/114 307	2.10.10	
Prunes	1 b =	24 jars	29/11d. doz. 2/0d. lb.	2019010	
Frunes	TDS.	14 lbs.	2/00. 10.	1. 0. (
Farex	pkts.	35 pkts.	3/0d. pkt.	5. 5. 0	
00000	7 5 5	IC Thoe	11/40 4000	2.17. 9)
Beef			r quarter per		
	N.A.B.	supplies	£182. 3. 4		
	Plus 25%	6	45.10.10	227.14. 2	2
Bread	16 x 4	b. per day @	$\frac{45.10.10}{2/22d}$, a bar 4 lb.	160.15. 4	-
Butter	36 lbs.	per week	3/62d. lb.		
	3		82.17. 6		
Potatoes	112 1he	per week 10			
Onions		per week 1/30			
7.0	60 1ha	per week 1/80	65 0 0		
Green Vegs.					
Yellow Vegs.		per week 1/40	1. 72. 0. 0		
Apples		per week	115 0 0		
and the same of th	£4.10.0		117. 0. 0		
Oranges		per week			
	£3.10.0) c/s	45.10.0		
Eggs		per week			
	5/10d.		45.10.0	517. 1. 6	6
	Total or			,395. 8. 8	

Item		Quantity	Unit Cost	Total Cost
oap	lbs.	396 lbs.	48/0d. c/s of	
ersil	4	000	552 lbs.	17. 2. 6
tarch	1 ge	288 pkts.	14/9d. doz.	17.14. 0
lue Knobs	14 02.	72 pkts.	20/0d. doz.	6. 0. 0
egs, Clothes		144 knobs 288	25/0d. gross	1. 5. 0
atches		216 boxes	9/0d. gross	18. 0
oap, Lifebuoy		432 cakes	18/4d. gross 4/8d. doz.	1. 7. 6
isinfectant		8 gls.	11/0d. gln.	4. 8. 0
rooms, Millet		6 only	13/9d.	4. 2. 6
rooms, Bass		3 only	137/2d. doz.	1.14. 4
rooms, Hair		3 only	225/6d. doz.	2.16.5
oilet Rolls		228 only	17/102d. doz.	21. 9. 0
andsoap		156 cakes	7/6d. doz.	4.17.6
		Total of Sun	ndries	£92. 2. 9

SUMMARY

Provisions ... 1,395. 8. 8
Sundries ... 92. 2. 9
£1,487.11. 5

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THE SECRETARY.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS : NORTHERN TERRITORY.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION - DARWIN - BAGOT ROAD.

For some years this Mission has been operating at the "Retta Dixon" Home (Half-caste) at Darwin on a subsidy of £1,250 which included £1,000 towards expenses at the Home and £250 for the Mission's itinerant work amongst the full-blood aboriginals on some of the Government Settlements along the Stuart Highway. The Mission occupies buildings and facilities at Bagot Road, the property of the Administration. In addition the Mission has been supplied with free rations and expense stores from the Native Affairs Branch (estimated to cost about £5,000/6,000 per year).

The Mission in accepting the Budget system for 1952/53 has submitted estimated statements of account for that year showing an anticipated deficiency of £10,000 and also suggesting that we might be inclined to purchase them a vehicle for their work in the Darwin area.

A comparison of the 1952/53 Budget with the estimated operating results for 1951/52 is as follows:-

Expenditure.

	Estimated 1951/52	Estima 1952/5
Provisions (Rations, Beef etc.)	£80	£5,700 1,41
Clothing, Linen, Bedding, cots etc. School Expenses, travelling	1,196	1,41
(for children). Pocket Money.	184	3
Recreation and holiday camps.	219	27
Toys (Mmas Cheer). Wages and travelling expenses	126	11
of staff.	1.054	2,971
Transport expenses.	1,054	سخت ا
General, maintenances and		
telephones.	1,286	
Surplus (estimated).	1,286	
	£4,561	

* Salaries provided here for Superintendent and six time workers; formerly the Superintendent was paid but the staff workers were operating in honorary capacity.

Revenue.	Estimated 1951/52	Estimated 1954/52,
Child Endowment. Donations. Administration Subsidy	£2,145 416	£1,805
(two years subsidy here).	2,000	10,000
	£4,561	£11,805

4. Some comment on the disparity between the two year's figures are:-

- (a) whereas formerly the Administration supplied rations and expense stores free of charge from Native Affairs stocks, it is intended now that the Mission authority accept responsibility for ordering and purchasing its own supplies. Whilst this should result in staff economies in the Administration we will be faced with requests for increased subsidy to meet the Mission's costs for rations. However, against this we will have a saving from within the Aboriginal Maintenance vote (Division 243/c/2) of the provision made for the free rations. In the draft Estimates already before Treasury there is an underestimated provision of £2,500 for free rations to this Mission.
- (b) The 1952/53 item "Wages of Staff and Travelling Expenses" shows an appreciable difference over the previous year. The 1952/53 requirement is for a wage of £6 per week to the Superintendent (Miss Shankleton) and £4 per week for four full-time female staff members. These six lady workers have duties as follows Nursery (18 infants), 3 staff; care of 30 school girls, 2 staff; fourteen kindergarten children, one staff. The Director of Native Affairs has advised that formerly the wages of Miss Shankleton and five lady helpers were provided from the annual subsidy of £1,000. Colorfed labour has always been employed at the Mission for laundry and cleaning work, and the married couple mentioned took up duty in March last. For the first time then the Mission is claiming subsidy for the full wages of its staff. This is reasonable and is no more than what we are doing with other Missions' staffs. However, it will be noted in the Superintendent's letter of 8th April, 1952, that the 6 lady workers are "honorary missionaries and will continue to act in this capacity....." The rate claimed £4 per week is more than the normal stipend paid to unmarried staff on other Missions, and I consider we should not subsidise these stipends beyond £3 per week. There is also the point whether these lady workers are in fact to work in an honorary capacity, i.e., without monetary reward. If they are to continue in an honorary capacity there would be no point in the Department subsidising salaries which are not actually paid to the workers. It is suggested that the budget be reduced by £312 i.e. by reducing the contribution towards stipends from £4 to £3 per week and that the payment of any salary subsidy be conditional on the Administration verifying that salaries are in fact paid to the staff.
- (c) The Mission has usually ended its financial years with a small credit balance. (£292 at 30th June, 1951). The estimated statement of account for 1951/52 shows a probable credit balance of £1,285. The statement for 1952/53, however, has not taken this probable credit into account. I consider that the Budget for 1952/53 should be reduced by this amount of £1,285.

- (d) The 1951/52 Revenue includes an estimated sum of £416 by way of donations from parents and Mission sources. In 1950/51 an amount of approximately £200 was collected in donations. The Mission has not included any provision for donations for 1952/53. I think it would be reasonable to expect the Mission to collect at least £500 in donations and accordingly it is considered the Budget should be further reduced by £500.
- 5. The effect of the adjustments referred to in the preceding paragraph is to reduce the Mission's requirement for a subsidy of £10,000 to viz:-

Reduce salaries for staff.
Take account of 1951/52 credit
balance.
Allow for donations.

£312
1,285
500
£2,097

6. In connection with the normal subsidy of £250 per year which has been paid to the Mission for its itinerant spiritual work in the full-blood field at various Government Settlements, the Director of Native Affairs has verbally advised that he desires the subsidy to be withheld for 1952/53 and until such time as a true assessment of the value of this work by the Mission can be made.

7. RECOMMENDED.

That:-

- (a) approval be given to the 1952/53 budget of the Aborigines Inland Mission, amended as suggested in paragraphs 4 and 5 above, with a subsidy payment of £7,900.
- (b) that no payment be made in respect of the Missions itinerant work in the full-blood field of native welfare.
- (c) that no action be taken at this stage to subsidise the rather vague request for a motor truck for the Mission's work in the Darwin area.
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FHM/D3 49/467

29th April, 1952.

MEMORANDUM TO:

HIS HONOUR THE ADMINISTRATOR

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - RETTA DIXON HOME - BAGOT

This Institution has been supported by -

- (a) Issue of rations and expense stores through the Native Affairs Branch Bulk Store at Bagot;
- (b) A grant of £1,000 towards staff expenses;
- (c) Child Endowment;
- (d) Donations from local supporters.

For the current financial year expenditure is estimated at £4,561, in addition to rations and expense stores supplied by the Branch, which will total approximately £6,000.

The authorities estimate that expenditure to the extent of £11,805 will be incurred for the coming financial year and seeks a grant of £10,000. No provision has been made for donations and I consider the Mission should endeavour to obtain £500 from this source.

It is recommended that Ministerial approval be sought to re-imburse the Aborigines Inland Mission to the extent of £9,500 for the 1952/1953 financial year.

Signed F. H. Moy DIRECTOR OF NATIVE AFFAIRS



ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION OF AUSTRADIA

+RETTA DIXON HOME+

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Encls. (4).

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		Children's Travelling Expenses	40
		Wages	2,760
		Staff Travelling Exper	ses 210
		Transport Expenses	250
		General and Maintenand Expenses	e 875
		Telephone	45
	£11,805		£11,805

£7,205.12.11

BUDGETARY REQUIRMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1953

INCOME

Child Endowment		£ s. d.
Received during current year, being fou increspect of 48 weeks Estimated 3 weeks	r amounts	1,699.12.10 105.0.0 1,804.12.10
Balance		9,879.18.11
		£11,684.11. 9
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EXPENDITUR	E	
Provisions		
Supplies from Native Affairs Branch on basis of 3 months Dec. Jan. Feb. 1952 at Current or Estimated Prices at March, 1952 £1,395. 8. 8	5,581.14. 8	
Purchases for Nursery, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated " 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	60. 3. 2	
Add 15% £80	12.0.0	5,673.17.10
Clothing		
Purchases, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	769. 6. 0 100. 0. 0	
Add 15% £870	130.10.0	999.16. 0
Linen, Bedding, Cots, Etc. (Chiedren)		
Purchases, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	276.18. 1 50. 0. 0	
Add 15% £327	49. 1. 0	375.19. 1
School Expenses and Pocket Money		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	130.10.11	
60 Children @ 1/- per week	10. 9.1	156. 0. 0

Carried Forward

Budgetary Requirements (2)

EXPENDITURE

Brough	t forward	7,205.12.11
Recreation and Holiday Camps		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar. Estimated, 3 mos. Apr/Jun.	158 .17 . 4 60 . 0 . 0	218.17. 4
Christmas Toys		
Purchases, Dec. 51		125.17. 2
Children's Travelling Expenses		
Disbursements, 9 mos. Jul/Mar.		38.18. 3
Wages		
Estimated 12 mos. Coloured Labour		
Laundry, £10 per week Grounds, £6 " " Married Couple	520. 0. 0 312. 0. 0	
Maintenance, £7 per week Honorary Staff	364. 0. 0	
Superintendent, £6 per week 6 Lady Workers, £4 " "	312. 0. 0 1,248. 0. 0	2,756. 0. 0
Staff Travelling Expenses		
Estimated 12 mos. 3 Return Rail/Road fares @ £70 (Benis in Stays 7 and married comple Transport Expenses	88. J. g persons on 3 gears service	210. 0. 0
Petrol, Oil and Repairs to Truck Purchases, 8 mos. Jul/Feb. Estimated, 4 mos. Mar/Jun.	144.17. 2 72. 0. 0	216.17. 2
General and Maintenance Expenses		
Supplies from Native Affairs Bran for 3 mos. Dec. Jan. Feb. '52 a Current or Estimated Prices at March, 1952 £92. 2.	t	
Replacements and Renewals of Equipment and Buildings	250. 0. 0	
Electric Washing Machine Erection of Fowl Run	200. 0. 0	868.11. 0
Carr	ied Forward	£11640.13.10



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Budgetary Requirements (3)

EXPENDITURE

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Telephone

Disbursement for 6 mos.' rental and calls
Estimated 6 mos.

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£11,684.11. 9

A.I.M. ISSUES

at the Current or Estimated Price as at 31st March, 1952

Item	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total Cost
Cheese	12 oz. 216 tins	31/8d. doz.	28.10. 0
Rolled Oats	2 lb. 108 "	40/10d. "	18 7 6
Peas	28 oz. 144 "	46/- "	18. 7. 6
Tomatoes	28 oz. 192 "	70/-	27.12. 0
Pickles	18 oz. 24 bots.	3// 74 0	30. 4. 0
Vinegar	26 oz. 48 "	30/00.	3.13. 0
Tomato Sauce	20 0Z. 40	31/74.	6. 7. 0
Golden Sauce		48/9d. "	4.17.6
Golden Syrup		40/6d. "	4.1.0
Dane	2 1b. 72 "	12/2d. "	3.13. 0
Beef	0 10.	200/0d. "	10. 0. 0
	12 oz. 96 "	30/0d. "	12. 0. 0
Herrings	12 oz. 36 "	16/0d. "	2.8.0
Salmon	16 oz. 12 "	53/0d. "	2.13. 0
Carrots	16 oz. 288 "	22/0d. "	26. 8. 0
Salt, fine	lbs. 112 lbs	33/5/0d. ton	1.13. 3
Currants	lbs. 6"	24/6d. doz.	1.13. 3
Salt, fine Currants Tea	lbs. 54 "		12. 3
Sugar	lbs. 1,540 lbs.	4/0d. lb.	10.16. 0
Flour	lbs. 100 lbs.	62/15/0d. ton	48.6.4
Tapioca		48/0/0d. ton	2. 8. 0
Rice	lbs. 12 lbs.	1/4d. lb.	16. 0
Jelly Crystals	lbs. 392 lbs.	63/0d. cwt.	11. 0. 6
Corn Flour	4 oz. 132 pkts.	96/0d. gross 20/6d. doz. 23/0d. doz.	4. 8. 0
	16 oz. 79 pkts.	20/6d. doz.	6.15. 0
Custard Powder	16 oz. 96 pkts.	23/0d. doz.	0 1 .
Curry Powder	4 oz. 24 pkts. 3 lb. 192 tins	18/6d. doz. 123/0d. doz. 102/0d. doz. 11/0d. jar	1.17. 0
Milk	3 lb. 192 tins	123/0d. doz.	98. 8. 0
Jam	5 lb. 72 tins	102/0d. doz.	30.12. 0
	1 gln. 6 jars	11/0d iar	36.12.0
Peanut Paste	12 oz. 60 tins	40/6d. doz. 27/6d. doz.	10 0 6
Jam	24 oz. 144 tins	27/64 doz.	10. 2. 0
Sultanas	1bs. 3 1bs.	25/00. 00%.	16.10. 0
Fruit	1bs. 3 1bs. 28 dz. 72 tins	25/Ud. doz.	6.3
Potatoes, dytd.	lbs. 22 lbs.	25/0d. doz. 36/0d. doz. 6/9d. lb.	10.16. 0
Cornflokes	105. 22 1DS.	6/9d. 1b.	7. 8. 6
Cornflakes Vegemite	24 oz. 72 pkts.	47/6d. doz. 16 oz. 29/11d. doz. 2/0d. lb.	21. 7. 6
A G G G HIT L G	4 oz. 24 jars	29/11d. doz.	2.19.10
Prunes	lbs. 14 lbs.	2/0d. 1b.	1. 8. 0
Farex	Prose	S/Ca. pkt.	5. 5. 0
Cocoa	100.	37/40 - 002 -	2.17. 9
Beef	(35 lbs. per day) for	c quarter per	
The state of the s	N.A.B. supplies	£182. 3. 4	
The Maria Control of the Control	Plus 25%	45.10.10	227.14. 2
Bread	16 x 4 lb. per day @	2/200, a bar 4 1h	
Butter	36 lbs. per week	3/62d. lb.	160.15. 4
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Potatoes	112 lbs. per week 102	82.17. 6	
Onions	56 The new week 102	45.14.0	
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Vellow Vers	60 lbs. per week 1/8d	. 65. 0. 0	
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ranges	1 case per week		
	£3.10.0 c/s	45.10. 0	
ggs	12 doz. per week		
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Item		Quantity	Unit Cost	Total Cost
Soap	lbs.	396 lbs.	48/0d. c/s of	Complete Profession Company of the C
Persil Starch Blue Knobs Pegs, Clothes Matches Soap, Lifebuoy Disinfectant Brooms, Millet Brooms, Bass Brooms, Hair Toilet Rolls Sandsoap	1 ge 14 oz.	288 pkts. 72 pkts. 144 knobs 288 216 boxes 432 cakes 8 gls. 6 only 3 only 228 only 156 cakes	55½ lbs. 14/9d. doz. 20/0d. doz. 25/0d. gross 9/0d. gross 18/4d. gross 4/8d. doz. 11/0d. gln. 13/9d. 137/2d. doz. 225/6d. doz. 17/10½d. doz. 7/6d. doz.	17. 2. 6 17.14. 0 6. 0. 0 1. 5. 0 18. 0 4. 8. 0 4. 8. 6 4. 2. 6 1.14. 4 2.16. 5 21. 9. 0 4.17. 6
		Total of Sur	adries	£92. 2. 9

SUMMARY

Provisions ... 1,395. 8. 8
Sundries ... 92. 2. 9
£1,487.11. 5

FHM/DJ 49/467

29th April, 1952.

MEMORANDUM TO:

HIS HONOUR THE ADMINISTRATOR

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - RETTA DIXON HOME - BAGOT

This Institution has been supported by -

- (a) Issue of rations and expense stores through the Native Affairs Branch Bulk Store at Bagot;
- (b) A grant of £1,000 towards staff expenses;
- (c) Child Endowment;
- (d) Donations from local supporters.

For the current financial year expenditure is estimated at £4,561, in addition to rations and expense stores supplied by the Branch, which will total approximately £6,000.

The authorities estimate that expenditure to the extent of £11,805 will be incurred for the coming financial year and seeks a grant of £10,000. No provision has been made for donations and I consider the Mission should endeavour to obtain £500 from this source.

It is recommended that Ministerial approval be sought to re-imburse the Aborigines Inland Mission to the extent of £9,500 for the 1952/1953 financial year.

Signed F. H. Moy DIRECTOR OF NATIVE AFFAIRS

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THE SECRETARY.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS : NORTHERN TERRITORY.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION - DARWIN - BAGOT ROAD.

For some years this Mission has been operating at the "Retta Dixon" Home (Half-caste) at Darwin on a subsidy of £1,250 which included £1,000 towards expenses at the Home and £250 for the Mission's itinerant work amongst the full-blood aboriginals on some of the Government Settlements along the Stuart Highway. The Mission occupies buildings and facilities at Bagot Road, the property of the Administration. In addition the Mission has been supplied with free rations and expense stores from the Native Affairs Branch (estimated to cost about £5,000/6,000 per year).

- 2. The Mission in accepting the Budget system for 1952/53 has submitted estimated statements of account for that year showing an anticipated deficiency of £10,000 and also suggesting that we might be inclined to purchase them a vehicle for their work in the Darwin area.
- A comparison of the 1952/53 Budget with the estimated operating results for 1951/52 is as follows:-

Expenditure.

	Estimated 1951/52	Estimated 1952/53
Provisions (Rations, Beef etc.) Clothing, Linen, Bedding, cots etc. School Expenses, travelling	£80 1,196	£5,700 1,410
(for children), Pocket Money. Recreation and holiday camps. Toys (Kmas Cheer).	184 219 126	200 225 130
Wages and travelling expenses of staff. Transport expenses.	1,054 217	2,970 [±] 250
General, maintenances and telephones. Surplus (estimated).	199 1,286	920
	£4,561	£11,805

* Salaries provided here for Superintendent and six full time workers; formerly the Superintendent was paid but the staff workers were operating in honorary capacity.

Revenue.	Estimated 1951/52	Estimated 1951/52
Child Endowment. Donations.	£2,145 416	£1,805
Administration Subsidy (two years subsidy here). Deficit	2,000	10,000
	£4,561	£11,805

4. Some comment on the disparity between the two year's figures are:-

- (a) whereas formerly the Administration supplied rations and expense stores free of charge from Native Affairs stocks, it is intended now that the Mission authority accept responsibility for ordering and purchasing its own supplies. Whilst this should result in staff economies in the Administration we will be faced with requests for increased subsidy to meet the Mission's costs for rations. However, against this we will have a saving from within the Aboriginal Maintenance vote (Division 243/c/2) of the provision made for the free rations. In the draft Estimates already before Treasury there is an underestimated provision of £2,500 for free rations to this Mission.
- (b) The 1952/53 item "Wages of Staff and Travelling Expenses" show, an appreciable difference over the previous year.
 The 1952/53 requirement is for a wage of £6 per week to
 the Superintendent (Miss Shankleton) and £4 per week for
 four full-time female staff members. These six lady workers
 have duties as follows - Nursery (18 infants), 3 staff; care of 30 school girls, 2 staff; fourteen kindergarten children, one staff. The Director of Native Affairs has advised that formerly the wages of Miss Shankleton and five lady helpers were provided from the annual subsidy of £1,000. Colomfed labour has always been employed at the Mission for laundry and cleaning work, and the married couple mentioned took up duty in March last. For the first time then the Mission is claiming subsidy for the full wages of its staff. This is reasonable and is no more than what we are doing with other Missions' staffs. However, it will be noted in the Superintendent's letter of 8th April, 1952, that the 6 lady workers are "honorary missionaries and will continue to act in this capacity The rate claimed £4 per week is more than the normal stipend paid to unmarried staff on other Missions, and I consider we should not subsidise these stipends beyond £3 per week. There is also the point whether these lady workers are in fact to work in an honorary capacity, i.e., without monetary reward. If they are to continue in an honorary capacity there would be no point in the Department subsidising salaries which are not actually paid to the workers. It is suggested that the budget be reduced by £312 i.e. by reducing the contribution towards stipends from £4 to £3 per week and that the payment of any salary subsidy be conditional on the Administration verifying that salaries are in fact paid to the staff.
- (c) The Mission has usually ended its financial years with a small credit balance. (£292 at 30th June, 1951). The estimated statement of account for 1951/52 shows a probable credit balance of £1,285. The statement for 1952/53, however, has not taken this probable credit into account. I consider that the Budget for 1952/53 should be reduced by this amount of £1,285.

- (d) The 1951/52 Revenue includes an estimated sum of £416 by way of donations from parents and Mission sources. In 1950/51 an amount of approximately £200 was collected in donations. The Mission has not included any provision for donations for 1952/53. I think it would be reasonable to expect the Mission to collect at least £500 in donations and accordingly it is considered the Budget should be further reduced by £500.
- 5. The effect of the adjustments referred to in the preceding paragraph is to reduce the Mission's requirement for a subsidy of £10,000 to viz:-

Reduce salaries for staff.

Take account of 1951/52 credit
balance.

Allow for donations.

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6. In connection with the normal subsidy of £250 per year which has been paid to the Mission for its itinerant spiritual work in the full-blood field at various Government Settlements, the Director of Native Affairs has verbally advised that he desires the subsidy to be withheld for 1952/53 and until such time as a true assessment of the value of this work by the Mission can be made.

7. RECOMMENDED.

That:-

- (a) approval be given to the 1952/53 budget of the Aborigines Inland Mission, amended as suggested in paragraphs 4 and 5 above, with a subsidy payment of £7,900.
- (b) that no payment be made in respect of the Missions itinerant work in the full-blood field of native welfare.
- (c) that no action be taken at this stage to subsidise the rather vague request for a motor truck for the Mission's work in the Darwin area.
- (d) that Treasury be requested to amend the draft estimates requirement of £1,250 to £7,900 for this Mission and that the draft estimates vote for Division 243/c/2 (aboriginals maintenance) be reduced by £2,500 representing the amount included for free rations to this Mission.

26th June, 1952.

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LETTERGRAM ... DEPARTMENT OF TERRITORIES

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ATTENTION CULNANE STOP BUDGET RETTA DIXON HOME WAGES STOP
COLOURED LABOUR ALWAYS EMPLOYED LAUNDRY AND OUTSIDE WORK MARRIED
COUPLE APPOINTED MARCH STOP PROVISION THESE WAGES CURRENT YEAR
SHOWN IN FINANCIAL STATEMENT STOP PREVIOUSLY FIVE FEMALE STAFF

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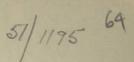
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ADMINISTRATOR, DARWIN, N.T.

13th February, 1952.

The Secretary,
Department of Territories,
CANBERRA A.C.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION: "RETTA DIXON" HOME

I refer to your memorandum 51/1195 of 31st January, 1952.

The necessary action has been taken to effect payment of the subsides referred to in your memorandum.

Regarding the maintenance of the 80 children at the "Retta Dixon" Home it is considered that as they are maintained by Native Affairs Branch from the bulk ration stocks at Bagot Store, the costs are a proper charge against Division 243-C-2. The amount of £2,184 provided on the Estimates of Expenditure for 1951/1952 could thus be regarded as a saving under Division 243-C-11.

A child maintenance subsidy of 10/6d. per day is not paid to the "Retta Dixon" Home in addition to the rations supplied by Native Affairs Branch.

(F. J. S. Wise) ADMINISTRATOR

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31st January, 1952 51/1195

MEMORANDUM for:

His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, DARWIN N.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION.

- 1. "Retta-Dixon" Home for Halfcastes Darwin.
- 2. Work amongst Full-Bloods.

I refer to your memoranda (2) of 16th July and 2nd October, 1951 relating to the work done by the Aborigines Inland Mission at the Bagot Road Station and also in the full-blood field at the various Government Settlements in the Territory. Approval has now been given for the payment of the subsidies of (a) £1000 as general subsidy for 1951/52 for the Mission's half-caste work at the "Retta Dixon" Home, and (b) £250 as 1951/52 subsidy for work in the full-blood field. I should be glad if you would effect payment from your end. I presume you have, since 1st July, 1951, paid the £250 subsidy in respect of 1950/51 payment of which was not effected during that year. Additional provision for the delayed payment was included in the current year's Estimates.

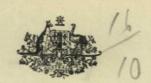
On examination of the Estimates provision for this Mission it is noted that an amount of £2184 is included representing "Child Maintenance" subsidy of 10/6 per day per child in respect of 80 children. The "Retta-Dixon" Home, it is noted, is supplied with rations by the Native Affairs Branch, the cost of which are presumably charged to Division 243/c/2. Does the Home receive the Child Maintenance subsidy of 10/6d per day in addition to the free rations? The statement of accounts supporting the Review Report indicates that this child maintenance subsidy is not paid, in which case the provision of £2184 on the current Estimates can be regarded as a saving.

Would you kindly confirm.

(C.R. Lambert) Secretary.

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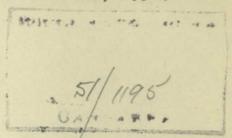




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ADMINISTRATOR, DARWIN, N.T.

2nd October, 1951.



The Secretary,
Department of Territories,
CANBERRA. A.C.T.

RETTA DIXON HOME - ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION. (Half-Pastes)

Forwarded for your information is the latest Review Report on the above Institution.

Despite cramped conditions at its present location the Home is exercising very good care and control over necessitous part-aboriginal women and orphaned or illegitimate children. Such an institution is most necessary.

When movement can be effected from Bagot to Winnellie is now a matter of conjecture due to the curtailment of Works Expenditure, details of which have not been finalised.

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"RETTA DIXON HOME": ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION: BAGOT RESERVE, DARWIN, NORTHERN TERRITORY.

NATURE AND LOCATION OF MISSION.

The "Retta Dixon Home" for part-aboriginal children is located on the Bagot Aboriginal Reserve about five miles north of Darwin. The Home is under the control of the Aborigines Inland Mission whose headquarters are at 242 Pitt Street, Sydney.

In its present situation the Home occupies a position between the Bagot Aboriginal Hospital and the Bagot Aboriginal Reserve, with no opportunity for expansion and their accommodation is crowded. Approval has been given by the Minister, vide Secretary, Department of Territories memorandum 51/1195 of 16th August, 1951, for the transfer of the Home to a new site near the Stuart Highway and approximately seven miles out of Darwin.

The Superintendent of the Home has inspected the new site and is agreeable to the transfer of the Home. Her suggestions, with reference to the Home at its new site, were incorporated in the plan of the new Home for which the estimates were provided by the Department of Works and Housing.

The Aborigines Inland Mission, through their "Retta Dixon Home", provide a home for part-aboriginal children of 50% or less aboriginal blood. Educational, training and hospital facilities provided for the white children of Darwin are available to the inmates of the Home. Through these facilities, the inmates have the opportunity of preparation for their places as full citizens in the life of the Northern Territory.

Young women who are out of employment, and expectant mothers, find a haven here, and mothers frequently visit their children and spend weekends in the Home.

STATISTICS.

The children are drawn from all parts of the northern section of the Northern Territory.

Inmates:

1st July, 1950 - 67 children, 10 adults. 30th June, 1951 - 81 children, 12 adults.

One of the senior girls has been happily married to a partaborigine in the Darwin community.

HOUSING.

There has been no development in housing facilities, in view of the impending move of the Institution to a new site.

FOOD: STORAGE, PREPARATION AND CONSUMPTION.

Food is supplied by the Northern Territory Administration through its Native Affairs Section. See Financial Statement.

Food is prepared under supervision in the wellappointed kitchen attached to the dining-room. Proper storage facilities are available and refrigeration is installed.



Food comes to the table well prepared and appetising. Attention has been given to the necessity of providing a balanced diet.

GENERAL STORAGE.

Sufficient storage is available for the present needs.

HEALTH.

The health record of the community is good.

Apart from a light epidemic of mumps in December, 1950, and January, 1951, there has been no serious illness during the year.

Inmates receive hospitalisation in the Darwin Hospital with the white residents and receive the same attention as the white patients.

All of the inmates were given the Mantoux test for Tuberculosis by a medical officer and all who showed a positive reaction were X-rayed; no case of active tuberculosis was found.

PRIMARY EDUCATION.

Fifty-nine children are attending the Darwin Public and Higher Primary School; fifty-eight children attend the Public School and one child the Higher Primary School. The children are conveyed to and from school by Administration Transport.

At the end of the 1950 school year, all except six children were promoted to a higher grade.

Weekly craft classes are held at the Home for children over twelve years of age, where instruction is given in fancy work, raffia, leatherwork and weaving with hand looms.

SPIRITUAL TEACHING AND WORSHIP.

The school children attend religious instruction classes at the Darwin School in company with the white children. Regular religious meetings are held at the Home on Sundays for the inmates.

The spiritual work has a regular and reasonable place in the life of the Mission; the aim of the staff is to express the spiritual teaching in the general life of the Home.

EMPLOYMENT PLACEMENT.

One girl was married early in the year, and two other girls left school at the end of 1950; one of the latter is preparing to enter the A.I.M. Native Workers' Training College in New South Wales; the other is continuing with practical home training in the Home.

The Institution offers a home for part-aboriginal women who require assistance and who need accommodation. Every effort is made to obtain suitable employment for them in domestic and general work in the town.

RECREATION AND SOCIAL LIFE.

The children join with the white children in the



recreation life of the school; a games period is a part of the weekly school curriculum.

Organised indoor games are held one evening each week at the Home and the children are given regular Saturday outings to the beach and holiday camping places.

A piano and 16 m.m. movie sound projector were purchased during the year and are now in use for the Home. Three children are learning music.

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS.

A regular service bus connects the Home with the town of Darwin. The Mission also has its own motor vehicle for transport purposes,

The Home is connected by telephone with Darwin.

STAFF AND SUPERVISION.

Under the supervision of the Superintendent, Miss A.N. Shankleton, the staff comprises:-

Miss G. Denham - European Missionary, in charge of the nursery.

Miss M. Spohn - European Missionary, in charge of the kindergarten children.

Miss C. South - Part-aboriginal trained Missionary.

Miss V. Knox - " " " " "

Mr. R. Stretton - European Missionary, was in charge of the boys for seven months, the remainder of the year he was absent on itinerant work.

The female staff is adequate for the present needs; however, a trained male missionary, resident all the year, is essential for the control and training of the boys. A European married couple are now doing their probation with the Mission in New South Wales, in preparation for joining the Institution staff in Darwin.

FINANCE.

BALANCE SHEET FOR YEAR 1950/1951.

Expenditure Income Balance for year 1949/ Staff Wages and Travelling 1950: £525.14.3. ... £664. 6.11. expenses 253. 9.10. Transport Childrens' clothing, bedding, (Donations from Mission.. 162.13.5. Sources linen, school requisites and recreation expenses ... 1847.18. 7. General expenses and repairs. 206. 4. 9. Donations from Parents.. 33.16.0. Telephone Account ..1568. 6.3. Child Endowment Rations -... £403. Staff Allowance Grant.. 1000. 0.0. Meat ... £450. Bread Fruit, Vegs. Government Rations Butter ... £933. Groceries... £464. ...3100. 0.0. supplied Stores from Bagot Bulk

Balance:

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Item for 1949/1950. Contribution from inmates of Home and parents of children = £134.5.0. Item for 1950/1951 Donations from Parents = £33.16.0. The numbers of those able to contribute have decreased and one is now on the staff of Bagot Hospital and due for free rations.

Food to the value of £3,100 was supplied by the Northern Territory Administration through its Native Affairs Section.

The cost of a reconditioned piano, £200, and a movie sound projector, £275, are included in Item 3 of the Expenditure.

Gifts of clothing and Christmas cheer were provided for the inmates of the Home by Mission supporters in the South, to the value of £240.

The financial assistance given this Mission in addition to the value of food and other supplies mentioned above, is at present a £1,000 grant as a staff subsidy. The assistance is considered adequate and its continuance is recommended.

GENERAL COMMENTS.

In the Retta Dixon Home we see a part-aboriginal community growing up in the midst of a white community; the children attend the same school as the white children and receive hospitalisation in the general hospital with the white patients.

The service rendered by the Home for the partaboriginal women is the only one of its kind in Darwin and is helping to meet a great need. The control of this section of the work is good.

The Institution is making satisfactory progress in preparation of the inmates for life in our community, and in its work for part-aboriginal women, is meeting an essential need in Darwin.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT.

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16th August, 1951. 51/1195

MEMORANDUM for:-

His Honour,
The Administrator of the Northern Territory,
DARWIN, N.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION : ACTIVITIES IN N.T.

With reference to your memorandum of 15th June, 1951 - No. 49/467, you are advised that the Minister has approved your recommendation that the activities of the above Mission at their "Retta Dixon Home" situated at Bagot Road, Darwin, be transferred to a block of buildings on the north-east corner of the R.A.A.F. No. 9 Stores Depot at Winnellie recently handed over to the Administration in a permissive occupancy basis by the Department of Air.

The Minister also approved that you initiate a requisition in the amount of £6,500 (when the Works programme for 1951/52 has been approved) required to bring the accommodation to the necessary standard as recommended by you. The provision of £12,000 (not £15,000 as mentioned in the penultimate paragraph of your memorandum) in the draft Works programme has been reduced to £6,500.

It is presumed that the Aborigines Inland Mission have no objection to carrying on their Darwin activities at Winnellie.

Regarding my telegram of 14th June and your reply of 16th July, 1951, it would appear that you were able to effect the payment of £1,000 subsidy to the Mission prior to 30th June for the activities at the Bagot Road institution. However from your memorandum of 13th July, No. 51/634 (Pt. 2) it seems that you were not able to pay the £250 "full-blood" subsidy to this Mission prior to 30th June, 1951. It is desired that you effect this delayed payment as early as possible.

The early receipt of a Review Report for this Mission as at 30th June, 1951, would be appreciated.

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For your information.

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(C.R. Lambert)
Secretary.

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abos Inland Mission Subsidy **ADMINISTRATOR** 49/467. DARWIN, N.T. 16th July, 1951. The Secretary, Department of Territories CANBERRA. A. C. T. ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION. (Jull-blood activities) I refer to your telegram 51/1195 of 14th June, 1951, and the telegraphic reply thereto of 26th June, 1951, concerning recommendation for a continuation of payment of existing subsidies to the abovementioned Mission for its work amongst full blood aborigines. The Aborigines Inland Mission provides workers for its work amongst full blood natives at Delissaville and Phillips Creek Native Settlements and also has workers stationed inland at Katherine and Newcastle Waters. At Delissaville Native Settlement the aborigines Inland Mission workers engage in spiritual and welfare work such as sewing classes for the women and approved recreation for the children. At Phillips Creek, apart from the trained teachers supplied by the Mission, another worker is engaged in welfare work such as assisting in medical matters and also general assistance in conducting sewing classes for the women and supervising approved recreation for the children. Apart from the activities mentioned, the Mission workers visit the full blood natives in their camps and are friends to whom the natives can turn when in trouble or difficulty, and it is thought from this spirit of friendly and helpful service that the Mission workers probably make their biggest contribution, especially in centres such as Katherine and Newcastle Waters. It is considered that the Aborigines Inland Mission workers are rendering a worthwhile service to the full blood aboriginal communities, and it is recommended that the payment of a general subsidy of £250 for this work be continued. Scarefay. In many years we have Intridused This Mission for its Reglecter Took mongs. The full-bloods on (R.S. Leyolan)

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The Aborigines Inland Mission at Bagot Road, Darwin, operates with the assistance of a Government subsidy which has been £1,000 per annum for the past few years. The buildings and furnishings are Administration property and rations are supplied by the Native Affairs Branch. A copy of the last Review Report on this Station is attached.

The Administrator's proposal to transfer the activities of the Mission to Winnellie (about 8 miles out of Darwin) is supported, and the move would provide the Native Affairs Branch with additional accommodation for its own full-blood settlement at Bagot Road.

In the draft estimates requirements for new works submitted to the Minister, there is an item - priority 35 - for £12,000 (not £15,000 as mentioned by the Administrator) providing for certain works to be carried out at Winnellie to accommodate the Aborigines Inland Mission. The Administrator suggests that as firm estimates have now been given this provision can be reduced to £6,500.

It is recommended that approval be given for the transfer of the Aborigines Inland Mission - "Retta Dixon Home" - from Bagot Road to Winnellie, and that the Administrator be authorised to initiate a requisition for £6,500 for the necessary improvements to be implemented when the funds become available in the forthcoming financial year 1951/52.

(C.M. LAMBERT) SECRETARY. 7/6/1951.

THE MINISTER.

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BEFERENCE YOUR TELEGRAM MY 49/467 OF TWENTYFOURTH MAY ABORGINES INLAND MISSION RECOMMEND PAYMENT TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY POUNDS

TOWARDS MISSIONS ACTIVITIES IN FULL BLOOD FIELD

MEMORANDUM FOLLOWING ADMIN

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ADMINISTRATOR,

15th June, 1951.

DARWIN, N.T.

The Secretary,
Department of Territories,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION RETTA DIXON HOME - DARWIN.

The Aborigines' Inland Mission in their Retta Dixon Home, at present situated on the Bagot Aboriginal Reserve, care for seventy part-aboriginal children and up to twenty adult part-aboriginal women. Young women who are out of employment or recovering from sickness find a haven here and mothers frequently visit their children and spend week-ends at the Home.

In its present situation the Retta Dixon Home occupies a position between the Bagot Aboriginal Hospital and the Bagot Aboriginal Settlement with no opportunity for expansion and their accommodation is crowded. It is most desirable that they be removed from the aboriginal contacts and the buildings occupied by the Retta Dixon Home are required for the use of the Aboriginal Settlement.

The Northern Territory Administration has recently taken over the buildings of the R.A.A.F. No. 9 Stores Depot at Winnellie on a permissive occupancy basis. A block of buildings on the north-east corner of the area offers a suitable site for the Retta Dixon Home. It is proposed to use twelve steel framed Comet type huts and one laundry building in this area. Three of the huts near the centre of the group form a kitchen, store and dining room block and there are concrete slabs suitably placed for the erection of ablution, laundry and lavatory facilities. All of the huts and the cement floors except in minor instances are in fair to good condition. The major part of the electric wiring is well preserved and will only require checking, and the provision of relatively few additional control, power and lighting points.

The twelve Comet huts will provide the following facilities for the Retta Dixon Home:-

- 1 Staff Building
- 1 Nursery Building
- 2 Boys' Dormitories
- 2 Girls' Dormitories
- 2 Women's Dormitories
- 1 Building as Sick Bay and Sewing Room

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3. Buildings with timber framed annexes will supply kitchen, store, garage, dining room and recreation hut facilities.

The work required to bring the buildings up to the necessary standard and to supply all necessary facilities is estimated by the Works and Housing:-

Renovations to Buildings and Painting	£3,050
Lavatories and Septic System	1,500
Laundry and Ablutions	1,400
Electricity	200
Kitchen and dining room equipment, fencing.	350

Total:

£6,500

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In the New Works Programme for 1951/1952, an amount of £15,000 was included to meet the cost of preparing the buildings and providing the necessary facilities for the proposed Aborigines' Inland Mission, Winnellie, this amount can now be reduced to £6,500.

It is recommended that ministerial approval be given for the work to proceed as soon as the funds are available.

(A. R. Driver)

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ADMINISTRATOR DARWIN

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CURRENT ESTIMATES STOP GLAD YOU EFFECT PAYMENT PRIOR SOTH JUNE STOP YOUR 49/467 OF 24TH MAY ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION BAGOT ROAD STOP APPROVAL GRANTED PAYMENT FROM YOUR END SUBSIDY \$1000 PROVIDED IN PAYMENT SUBSIDY £250 PROVIDED ON CURRENT ESTIMATES TOWARDS THIS ALSO DESIRE YOUR COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION RE CONTINUATION OF MISSION'S ACTIVITIES IN FULL-BLOOD FIELD IN CENTRES NOTABLY KATHERINE PHILLIP CREEK STORTERA GUOTE 51/1195

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CANBERRA. A.C.T. 14/6/1951.

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ADMINISTR DARWIN, N.T. 24th May, 1951. Director, Northern Territory Affairs, Department of the Interior, CANBERRA, A.C.T. REVIEW REPORT OF MISSIONS "THE RETTA DIXON" HOME: ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION: BAGOT RESERVE, DARWIN. I refer to your memorandum 49/607 of 4th May, 1951, concerning the activities of the Aborigines Inland Mission at Bagot Road, Darwin. It is advised that there is no Capital Account investment applicable in considering the financial cost of this Home. The buildings and appurtenances occupied by the Mission are Administration property which are included in the Bagot Aboriginal Reserve erected prior to the last war. It appears doubtful, in any case, that any accurate figures are now available as to the actual capital cost of the particular property occupied. It was considered preferable to show the income and expenditure statement of the Home separate from the value of food and other supplies; nowever, as requested, this will be included in the general statement of future reports as a contra account. It is agreed that the voluntary contribution shown in the financial statement is very small; however, I am reluctant to suggest that the Mission be induced to greater efforts in this regard as they are an unpaid band of mission workers, whose funds are unsolicited. It is suggested that the amount of \$ 1000 provided in ament (A.R. Driver)
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VL Northern Territory Affairs,

4 MAY 1951

MEMORANDUM TO: -

His Honour,
The Administrator of
the Northern Territory,
DARWIN. N.T.

REVIEW REPORT OF MISSIONS "THE RETTA DIXON" HOME ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION BAGOT RESERVE, DARWIN. N.T.

I refer to your memorandum 49/467 dated 30th August, 1950, regarding the activities of the Aborigines Inland Mission at Bagot Road, Darwin.

It would assist in providing a better picture of the financial cost of this "Home" if the Capital Account investment were shown, and the Income and Expenditure statement included (contra) all Government expenditure on account of the Aborigines Inland Mission at Bagot Road.

The voluntary contribution as shown in the financial statement of the Review Report is very small and it seems to me that the Mission might be induced to greater efforts in this regard.

(C.R. LAMBERT

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Northern Territory Affairs.

7 SEP 1950

MEMORANDUM TO:

The Government Secretary, DARWIN. N.T.

REVIEW REPORT ON MISSIONS - ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN.

I refer to the Administrator's memorandum No.49/467 of 12th July, 1950, concerning the above subject.

Advice in this matter would be appreciated.

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(M.A.MARTIN) Chief Clerk N.T. As. 1/10/80.06

SC. ADMINISTRATOR 49/467. DARWIN, N.T. 30th August, 1950. Director, Northern Territory Affairs, Department of the Interior, CANBERRA. A.C.T. REVIEW REPORT OF MISSIONS
"THE RETTA DIXON" HOME
ABORIGINAL INLAND MISSION
BAGOT RESERVE. DARWIN.N.T. es Origin, Nature and Object. The "Retta Dixon Home" for part aboriginal children functioning under the auspices of the Aboriginal Inland Mission of 242 Pitt Street, Sydney, is located on Bagot Aboriginal Reserve, approximately five (5) miles north of Darwin. Part aboriginal children and expectant women of mixed blood are cared for. The Mission extends its influence throughout the Territory and caters for people of the Protestant denominations and aims at providing a Christian Home for coloured children where they are loved, educated and trained to take their place in the community as good citizens. The Mission commenced its activities in the Northern Territory in 1939 working amongst the part aboriginal people of Darwin. In 1940 a representative was invited to Delissaville Native Settlement as a welfare worker, and later to Bagot in 1941 in order to care for a number of coloured women and children considered unsuitable by other Missions for absorption into their establishments. In 1942 the Superintendent, a Miss A. N. Shankleton escorted seventy two (72) part aboriginal child evacuees to Balaclava, South Australia and remained there until 1946. On their return they were established in certain unoccupied buildings at Bagot Reserve. Pre-natal and after care is given to young mothers who are in poor circumstances and/or are unable to make other arrangements for confinements. Part aboriginal children of all ages are admitted to the Home on the understanding they remain until the age of eighteen (18) years. They attend the Darwin State School from the age of five (5) years to sixteen (16) years and upon leaving school are encouraged to train for some vocation.



After being tutored to take their place in Society every endeavour is made to find them suitable work.

Statistical

The average monthly number of children cared for during the period 1.7.49 to 30.6.50 was seventy (70). The average number of women for the same period was eight (8).

Housing.

The community is established in well constructed Government buildings all in excellent state of repair at Bagot Reserve. The grounds embrace an area of approximately ten (10) acres on which are located the buildings occupied by the Society:-

1 - girls dormitory - concrete.

1 - staff quarters - concrete.

1 - recreation - dining room with kitchen attachedconcrete.

1 - store room - concrete.

1 - nursery, converted S.W. type building.

1 - boys dormitory, converted S.W. type building.

1 - young women's quarters " 11 11 11

1 - garage and workshop

1 - ablution block.

Several other buildings at present used as stores can be made available should the necessity arise.

Food: Storage, Preparation and Consumption.

Food is supplied by the Northern Territory Administration through its Native Affairs Section. During the year ended 30th June, 1950 the following supplies were purchased for the Missions use:-

> Meat £356. Ø. Ø. Bread 403. Ø. Ø. Fruit, Vegetables, Butter 883. Ø. Ø. Groceries 415. Ø. Ø.

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Issues from Bagot Bulk Ration Store

560. Ø. Ø. £2617.Ø.Ø.

Food is prepared under supervision in the well appointed kitchen attached to the dining room. Proper storage facilities are available, and refrigeration is installed. Food comes to the table well prepared and appetising. Attention has been given to the necessity of providing a balanced diet.

General Storage.

Sufficient storage is available for present demands. However if additional space is required another concrete store-room can be made available.

Health.

The health record of the community is good. Apart from an epidemic of whooping cough, some twelve months ago, no serious illnesses have occurred in the history of this Institution.



Primary Education

Forty four (44) children are attending the Darwin Public School. They are carried to and from the school by Administration transport.

These children enjoy the same privileges and are afforded the same facilities as Europeans.

Spiritual teaching and worship.

Sufficient instruction in religious doctrine is given children and attendance at spiritual worship is insisted on to such an extent that is reasonable and advantageous to them.

Employment placement.

On leaving school ex-students are encouraged to train for some special vocation such as motor mechanics, engineering, nursing, dressmaking, domestic or clerical work. When a child remains to help and train in the Home a weekly allowance will be made.

Every endeavour is made to assist them to take their place in normal Society and to find suitable work.

Two young women from this Institution have passed through the Society's Native Training College in Sydney, one is doing a nursing course and the other has returned to the Home as a trained Missionary.

It is too early in the Missions career to have turned out more than those referred to above.

Recreation and Social Life:

Organised indoor games are held at least one evening each week. Socials, birthday parties etc. all of which the children help to arrange and prepare.

Football, tennis, swimming, basket ball and other outdoor sport is encouraged.

Special instruction for older children in music, craftwork, domestic science and agriculture is provided through classes and individual teaching.

The Society has two hutment type of buildings at Casurina Beach. Children are taken here for periods of rest and change during holidays.

Transport and Communication.

A regular service bus runs past the Reserve and the Mission makes use of this as well as utilising their own vehicle. Transport facilities are considered adequate. The method of transporting school children has been dealt with.

Staff and Supervision.

Under the supervision of the Superintendent, Miss A, N. Shankleton, the Staff comprises:-

1 - male European trained Missionary.

2 - female European trained Missionaries.

2 - female part-aboriginal trained Missionaries.

The Staff is adequate for present needs, and can be increased by new appointees as demands increase.

Finance.

BALANCE SHEET

FOR YEAR 1949 - 1950.

Income

Provisions Staff wages and Contributions from inmates £148. 9. 0 of Home and parents of children. £134. 5. 0 Travelling expens-Donations from Mission 573. 6. 1 215. 6. 2 Sources. 218.14. 6 Transport 1808.12. 7 Childrens clothes, 1000. 0. 0 bedding, linen, Child Endowment Staff Allowance grant School requisites, recreation expens-1490.10. 1 es. General Expenses-Utensils, Electrical appliances. Repairs etc. 176.13. 4 Telephone A/c. 2635.17.10 Balance £3161.12. 1 £3161.12. 1

The financial assistance given this Society in addition to the value of food and other supplies mentioned above, is at present a £1,000. Ø. Ø. grant as a Staff Subsidy.

The assistance is considered adequate and its continuance is recommended.

Summary.

I am satisfied with the work of the Institution and consider the staff is conscientously applying themselves to the welfare and betterment of their charges.

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12th July, 1950.

DARWIN, N.T.

Director, Northern Territory Affairs, Department of the Interior, CANBERRA, A.C.T.

REVIEW REPORT ON MISSIONS - ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN.

I refer to your memorandum 49/607 of 4th July, 1950 concerning the submission of a Review Report in respect of the above Mission, and desire to advise you that upon the return of Director of Native Affairs from Alice Springs next week this Review Report will receive early attention and be forwarded as early as practicable.

(A. R. Driver)
ADMINISTRATOR.

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Northern Territory Affairs,

4 - JUL 1950

MEMORANDUM TO: -

His Honour,
The Administrator
of the Northern Territory,
DARWIN. N.T.

REVIEW REPORT ON MISSIONS - ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN.

the above Mission as early as practiceble. It will be remembered that an annual subsidy of £1,000 has been paid to the Mission towards the staff expenses of its half-caste institution at Bagot Road, Darwin, as well as £250 towards its activities in the full-blood aboriginal I should be glad to receive a Review Report in respect of field in the Territory.

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(C. R. LAMBERT)

No. 49/607

MEMORANDUM:

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS FOR PART ABORIGINALS: ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN.

On 21st November, 1947 the former Minister approved the payment of a subsidy of £1000 towards staff expenses of the Aborigines Inland Mission at Bagot Road, Darwin. - See approval tabbed.

- 2. A provision of £1000 was included in the current Estimates for this subsidy and it is considered desirable that the expenditure be reflected in the accounts prior to 30th June, 1950.
- The Administrator has recommended the payment of the subsidy for the current financial year.
- It is recommended that approval be granted for the payment of the subsidy of £1000 to the Aborigines Inland Mission at Bagot Road, Darwin for the year 1949/50.

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FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 1949/50 RECOMMENDED STOP YOUR TELEGRAM PAYMENT SUBSIDY 1000 POUNDS ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION

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MISSIONS STOP DESIRE PAY SUBSIDY THIS END RESPECT ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION BAGOT ROAD £1000 PRIOR TO 30TH JUNE STOP PLEASE TELEGRAPH YOUR MEMORANDUM 8TH JUNE 1950 REFERENCE 49/21A ASSISTANCE TO WHETHER YOU RECOMMEND PAYMENT SUBSIDY

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SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CAMBERRA. A.C.T.

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EXTRACT OF APPROVAL OF 28TH NOVEMBER, 1949 IN RELATION TO PAYMENT OF SUBSIDIES TO MISSIONS SUBJECT TO PERIODIC INSPECTIONS AND REPORT.

5. In cases such as this, where Government contributions are being made to the support and conduct of the institution, it is thought that the Minister should be protected by regular reviews and reports on the operations of the institution, in order to ensure that continued support from Government funds on the bases approved is warranted.

- Recommended for the Minister's approval -6.
 - That financial assistance granted to the Australian Board of Missions on account of St. Mary's hostel, Alice Springs, should be subject to the condition that the operations of the institution in each year ending 31st December are to be subject to review by the Administrator, and a report is to be furnished by the Administrator as soon as possible after 31st December each year, covering the following ;-
 - (a) A review of the capital establishment of the undertaking and its suitability and maintenance.
 - (b) A review of the activities conducted during the year, of the organisation and of the general efficiency and usefulness of operations, having regard to the purpose for which the institution was established and recognised by the Government.
 - A review of the financial operations of the institution for the year, supported by receipts and payments account.
 - (d) An expression of opinion as to whether the institution as established and conducted is of sufficient value to the Administration of the Territory to merit the continued support of the Government on the basis already approved.

(Sgd.) C.R. LAMBERT Northern Territory Affairs. Director of 22.11.1949.

APPROVED 28th November, 1949.

> (Sgd.) VICTOR JOHNSON Minister for the Interior.

This approval was referred to the Administrator with the remark -

"The Minister desires that this procedure be adopted as a general rule, where similar institutions are receiving financial support from Government funds."

Northern Territory Affairs,

1 8 NOV 1949

Dear Madam,

The Minister has recently approved of the payment to your Mission of a subsidy of £250 for the financial year 1949/50 in respect of the services of the Mission on behalf of half-castes and aboriginals in the Northern Territory.

This payment represents an increase of £50 over the amount of £200 paid for last year.

A cheque for £250 should reach you at an early date.

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Yours faithfully,

Director. John

The Director,
Aborigines Inland Mission of Australia,
242 Pitt Street,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

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Northern Territory Affairs,

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His Honour,
The Administrator
of the Northern Territory,
DARWIN. N.T.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS.

With reference to your memorandum of 21st June, 1949, No. 49/21 and further to the Secretary's memorandum of 19th August, 1949, you are advised that action is being taken by this Department for the payment of the following subsidies to Missions:-

	Church Missionary Society: (3) Oenpelli, Roper Eiver and Groote Eylandt.	£1,500
	Methodist Overseas Missions: (4) Goulburn Island, Millingimbi, Yirkalla, Elcho Island	2,000
	Lutheran Missions: (3) Hermannsburg, Haasts Bluff, Areyonga	1,000
Vehr 6267	Aborigines Inland Mission: (1)	250
	Baptist Missions: (1) Yuendumu	250

As in previous years it is requested that action to pay the subsidy in respect of the Roman Catholic Missions (3) at Bathurst Island, Port Keats and Arltunga - £1,500 be taken by your office.

(C.R. Lambert)
Director.

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Tel. Address: wwin.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Northern Territory Administration

DARWIN.

20th May, 1949.

In reply please quote

27 MAY 1949

The Chief Clerk, Department of the Interior, CANBERRA, A.C.T.

SUBSIDY TO ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN.

I refer to your memorandum 49/607 of the 4th May, requesting advice as to whether payment of the sum of £1,000, provided on the 1947/48 Estimates for the purpose of paying the above subsidy, was made by this Branch.

Prior to 1st January, 1948, this Administration supplied part maintenance for the staff of the Aborigines Inland Mission, and a pro-rata payment of £500 was made in respect of the period 1st January, 1948, to 30th June, 1948.

An additional payment of £80 was also made to the Mission as they had incurred that expenditure in wages to Missionary Bentley - 16 weeks @ £5 per week.

No wage payments were desired by the Mission in respect of its other employees for the period 1st July to 31st December, 1947, in view of the fact that they were partly maintained by this Branch.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Minister's approval of 21st November, 1947, was for a subsidy of £1,000 to be paid to the Aborigines Inland Mission, for salaries of the staff of Bagot Road, Darwin - not to the Australian Inland Mission.

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The Chief Clerk, Department of the Interior, CANBERRA, A.C.T.

SUBSIDY TO ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN.

I refer to your memorandum 49/607 of the 4th May, requesting advice as to whether payment of the sum of £1,000, provided on the 1947/48 Estimates for the purpose of paying the above subsidy, was made by this Branch.

Prior to 1st January, 1948, this Administration supplied part maintenance for the staff of the Aborigines Inland Mission, and a pro-rata payment of £500 was made in respect of the period 1st January, 1948, to 30th June, 1948.

An additional payment of £80 was also made to the Mission as they had incurred that expenditure in wages to Missionary Bentley - 16 weeks @ £5 per week.

No wage payments were desired by the Mission in respect of its other employees for the period 1st July to 31st December, 1947, in view of the fact that they were partly maintained by this Branch.

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(R. S. Leydin) GOVERNMENT SECRETARY. MEMORANDUM TO:-

4th May, 1949.

The Government Secretary,

DARWIN. N.T.

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SUBSIDY TO AUSTRALIAN INLAND MISSION.

I desire to confirm the undermentioned telegram despatched from this Department on 27th April in connection with the abovementioned subject (your file 49/21):-

> "Your 49/21 Fourteenth April Payment £1000 Mission Staff Subsidy will be made by this office."

In connection with the provision of a similar amount on the 1947/48 Estimates for this purpose (approval for which was advised in the Secretary's memorandum of 25th November, 1947), it is presumed that payment was made from your Branch.

(M. A. MARTIN) Chief Clerk, N.T.

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YOUR 49/21 FOURTEENTH APRIL PAYMENT \$1000 MISSION STAFF SUBSIDI WILL BE MADE BY THIS OFFICE.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, CANBERRA. 27/4/49.

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MEMORANDUM TO:

His Honour,
The Administrator
of the Northern Territory

DARWIN. N.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN - STAFF SUBSIDY.

No. 49/21, concerning the abovementioned subject.

The Minister on 18th March, 1949, approved of the amount of £1,000 provided on the 1948/49 Estimates being paid to the Aborigines Inland Mission for staff salaries.

(J.A. CARRODUS)

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ADMINISTRATOR,

DARWIN, N.T.

4th March, 1949.

The Secretary,
Department of the Interior,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

ND. 49/21.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN - STAFF SUBSIDY.

In my memorandum 44/332 of 16th September, 1947, I recommended that ministerial approval be given for the payment of the sum of £1000 for salaries of the staff of the Aborigines Inland Mission Home, Darwin.

This approval was contained in your memorandum 47/2125 of 25th November, 1947.

The Aborigines Inland Mission has continued to conduct its institution on sound lines. At the present time sixtyseven children are being cared for and hostel accommodation is provided for part-aboriginal women in employment in the Darwin area.

There are now six full-time members of the staff and three casual domestics are employed.

Provision has been made under Division 241-C-10 - Payments to Missions for Aboriginal and Half-caste Welfare - in the approved Estimates 1948/1949 for the payment of £1000 to the above Mission.

I recommend that the Minister's approval for the payment of the above sum be given again as I feel that the institution is performing admirable work in caring for the welfare of the children under its control.

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(A.R. Driver)
ADMINISTRATOR.

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Minister for the Interior.

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49/21.

4th March, 1949.

The Secretary, Department of the Interior, CANBERRA, A.C.T.

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(A.R. Driver) ADMINISTRATOR

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> Mr.H.A.Barrenger Acting Secretary Department of the Interior CANBERRA. A.C.T.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter advising me of the £200 which you were sending in appreciation of the services of our Mission on behalf of the half-castes and Aborigines of Northern Territory.

The cheque came safely to hand and we thank you for it, and appreciate the gift, which we use entirely to aid the work in the Northern Territory.

Yours faithfully,

(Inso)

Retta Long

DIRECTOR

47/2125 Original a 48/502. 29

14th January, 1949.

LEGHORATIDEM TO:-

His Honour, The Administrator of the Horthern Territory, DARWIN. H.T.

ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS.

I refer to your memorandum No. 44/193 II of 2nd December, 1946, concerning the above subject.

Ministerial approval has been given for the following

payments:-	CHURCH MISSIGRARY SOCIETY	8
	Cenpelli, Roper River and Groote Eylandt Missions	725
	BOMAN CATHOLIC MISSISS	
	Bethurst Island , Port Kests and Arltungs Hissions	725
	HESMODIST OVERSEAS HISSICES	
	Goulburn Island, Millingimbi and Yirkalla Missions	725
	LOCHERAN MISSISH	
	Hermannsburg Mission	325
	Abortsines Inland Mission	200
		\$2,700

The subsidies are made available on the same conditions as those applying to the payments made last financial year.

Payments are being made from this Department to the Church Missionary Society, the Methodist Overseas Missions, the Finke River (Mermannsburg) Mission and the Aberigines Inland Mission. Copies of the letters addressed to each of the Societies concerned are attached for information.

It would be appreciated if you would take the necessary action for the payment of the amount of \$725/-/- to the Roman Catholic Mission authorities in the Territory.

With reference to the proposed increased subsidy of £250 per mission where trained teachers are employed, it has been noted that the estimates include an additional provision of £1000 in respect of the Methodist Overseas Missions. As only three missions are receiving assistance at present, I shall be glad to learn why the additional amount was not £750.

(H. A. BARREMORR) Acting Secretary.

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Original on 48/502.

17th January, 1949.

Dear Madam,

Approval has been given for the payment to your Mission of a subsidy of \$200/-/- in respect of the financial year 1948-1949.

As in the past this payment is made in appreciation of the services of the Mission on behalf of half-castes and aboriginals in the Northern Territory.

you at an early date. A cheque for the amount approved should reach

Yours faithfully,

(H. A. BARRENGER) Acting Secretary.

The Director,
Aborigines Inland Mission of Australia,
242 Pitt Street,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

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27th January, 1948.

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As in the past this payment is made on the recommendation of the Commonwealth Adviser on Native Affairs in appreciation of the services of the Mission on behalf of half-castes and aboriginals of the Northern Territory.

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Yours faithfully,

(H. A. Barrenger) Acting Secretary

The Director,
Aborigines Inland Mission
of Australia,
242, Pitt Street,
SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Voucher No. detached and passed for payment.

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27th January, 1948.

MEMORANDUM to:-

His Honour,
The Administrator,
of the Northern Territory,
DARWIN, N.T.

ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS

December, 1947, concerning the above subject.

Minister:- The following payments have been approved by the

Church Missionary Society

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(H. A. BARRENOER) Acting Secretary.

25th November, 1947.

His Honour
the Administrator
of the Northern Territory,
DARWIN. N.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN.

I refer to your memoranda dated 16th September and 23rd October, 1947, No. 44/193 concerning the above subject.

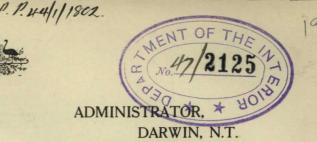
The Minister on 21st November, 1947, approved of the amount of £1,000 provided on the 1947/48 Estimates being paid to the Aborigines Inland Mission for salaries of the staff at Bagot Road, Darwin.

The question of the annual payment of the sum of £200 to the Mission in connection with its aboriginal welfare work will be dealt with on the general question of payment of subsidies to missions.

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(J. A. CARRODUS) Secretary. 44/322 LS



16th September, 1947.

The Secretary, Department of the Interior, CANBERRA. A.C.T.

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ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION HOSTEL, BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN.

During the war when half-caste evacuees from the Northern areas were accommodated at various centres in South Australia, invaluable assistance to the Superintendent at Saints Farm, Balaklava, was given by members of the Aborigines Inland Mission. On the return of the half-castes to the north in May, 1946, Miss Shankleton of the Mission accompanied them and established at Bagot Road Aboriginal Reserve, Darwin, a home for half-caste children and mothers, and a hostel for young half-caste women. These institutions have been housed in buildings provided and furnished by the Administration. Certain repairs, renovations and interior painting have been effected by other honorary workers who have since arrived, while additional items of furniture have also been supplied by the Mission.

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Clothing for the children is provided by the Aborigines Inland Mission except in those few instances where the mothers are working and are able to provide funds for this purpose. The children of school age are transported by the Administration to the Darwin Public School, while any medical or dental cases go to the Darwin Hospital. Recreational facilities for the children are provided and a library is available to the adults. The young women are encouraged to assist in the kitchen and learn domestic arts. A holiday camp has been established at Casuarina Beach, six miles from Darwin, where the children are taken each school vacation.

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In addition to the work associated with the Home and Hostel, the Mission staff undertake the general welfare and spiritual work among the half-caste families living on the Reserve.

The staff at present number six, made up of three single women, one married man and a married couple. Under the leadership of Miss Shankleton, they represent a vigorous team displaying an abundance of initiative and zeal.

A request has been made for a subsidy to assist this Mission, and in view of their undoubted contribution to the solving of the half-caste problem, I favour a grant to cover salaries only. An amount of £1,000 has been provided in the 1947/48 Estimates for this purpose, and I accordingly recommend to the Honourable the Minister that he approve of this payment to the Aborigines Inland Mission for salaries of staff at Bagot Road, Darwin. Such a subsidy will bring this Mission into line with other half-caste establishments such as Mt. Blatherskite, and will represent a desirable controlling interest in its activities.

(A. R. Driver) Administrator.

Secretary

This recommendation is supported. This scheme differs from the arrangements made with other religious missions caring for falf-castes to the extent Mot in the present instance, the immates and staff are nationed by the Department. The mission provides a staff of six, clothing for the children and other amenities. It is considered there is every firstification for payment of \$1000 to the mission in respect of their actualities in the interests of talf-castes at the Dagot Reserve.

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DARWIN, N.T. 23rd October, 1947.

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The Secretary,
Department of the Interior,
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

ABORIGINES INLAND MISSION - BAGOT ROAD, DARWIN.

I refer to your memorandum 47/2125 of 16th October, 1947.

The Aborigines Inland Mission is carrying out welfare work outside the Darwin area at:

- (1) Phillips Creek
- (2) Katherine

The Phillips Creek Settlement is staffed by the Mission in an honorary capacity and this work has been of great service to the Native Affairs Branch which has not yet been able to place a Superintendent in charge.

The work at Katherine has been re-opened recently after lapsing during the war years. The intention is to do welfare work among the aboriginals and half-castes in the Katherine District.

In the Darwin area, additional to Bagot Road, the Aborigines Inland Mission has workers in regular attendance at Berrimah and Delissaville. At least five hundred aboriginals are under the influence of the Mission and for this work the annual grant of £200 per annum has been made.

The institution at Bagot Road is an additional function. At present it is semi-official in operation in that supplies and a number of services are provided by the Native Affairs Branch whilst the Aborigines Inland Mission workers perform their duties in an honorary capacity. The number of wards has increased considerably in the last year because of the removal of half-caste children from aboriginal camps in rural areas and the acceptance by half-castes in Darwin of the facilities provided. There is a pressing need for such an organization in Darwin and Miss Shankelton, with her staff, has proved her ability to deal with the problem.

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Other Missionary Societies receive aid for their half-caste and aboriginal missions and it is contended that the Aborigines Inland Mission is deserving of similar treatment.

I recommend that the Minister approve that the sum of £200 previously paid to the Aborigines Inland Mission be continued and that favorable consideration be given to my recommendation 44/322 of 16th September, 1947.

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16th October, 1947.

MEMORANDUM FOR:-

His Honour
the Administrator
of the Northern Territory,
DARWIN. N.T.

Aborigines Inland Mission Hostel - Bagot Road - Darwin.

I refer to your memorandum dated 16th September, 1947, No.44/322, concerning the payment of a subsidy of £1,000 to the abovementioned Mission to cover expenditure incurred in connection with the payment of wages.

Before submitting the matter for the Minister's consideration, I should be glad to learn whether the Mission is still carrying out aboriginal welfare work outside the Darwin area. If so, is it proposed that the present subsidy of £200 per annum be continued in addition to the annual payment of £1,000 now recommended in connection with the half-caste welfare work in Darwin.

payment of £200 made to the Aborigines Inland Mission in 1942 was to a large extent influenced by the work of the organisation in the interests of aborigines in the Territory.

(Sgd.) J A: CARRODUS

(J. A. CARRODUS) Secretary. R5.711478

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(A. R. Driver) Administrator.

Department of the Interior, Copy/MW CANBERRA. A.C.T. 20th January, 1947. Dear Madam, Approval has been given for the payment to your Mission of a subsidy of £200, in respect of the financial year 1946-47. As in the past this payment is made on the recommendation of the Commonwealth Adviser on Native Affairs in appreciation of the services of the Mission on behalf of half-castes and aboriginals of the Northern Territory and at Balaklava, South Australia. A cheque for the amount approved should reach you within the course of a few days. Yours faithfully, (Sgd.) H. A. Barrenger. Acting Secretary. The Director, Aborigines Inland Mission, of Australia, 242 Pitt Street, SYDNEY. N.S.W. Original on 46/367

20th January, 1947.

MEMORANDUM to:-

His Honour
The Administrator
of the Northern Territory,
DARHIN. N.T.

ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS

I refer to your memorandum of the 20th December, 1946, No.46/193, concerning subsidies to religious missions in the Northern Territory in respect of the year 1946-47.

The following payments have now been approved by the Minister:-

Church Missionary Society Cenpelli, Groote Eylandt and Roper River Missions			£725
Roman Catholic Missions Bathurst Island, Port Keats and Arltunga Missions			£725
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Aborigines Inland Mission	••	••	£2,700
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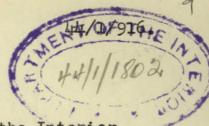
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(H. A. BARRENGER) Acting Secretary.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA



Department of the Interior,

CANBERRA. A.C.T.

2nd February, 1945.

Dear Madam,

Approval has been given for the payment to your Mission of a subsidy of £200 in respect of the financial year 1944-45. As in the past this payment is being made on the recommendation of the Commonwealth Adviser on Native Affairs (Mr. E.W.P. Chinnery), in appreciation of the services of the Mission on behalf of the half-castes and aboriginals of the Northern Territory, both in the Territory and at Balaklava, South Australia.

A cheque for the amount involved should reach you shortly.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) J. A. Carrodus.
Secretary.

The Director,
Aborigines Inland Mission of Australia,
242 Pitt Street,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

Jel 21/2/45.

Aborigines Inland Mission Director: Headquarters: Mrs. R. Long 242 Pitt Street, Tel: JA 5622 Sydney, N.S.W. Hon. Secretary: Miss F. M. Swane Telephone: MA 2078 Hon, Treasurer and Joint Hon, Secretary: Mr. A. L Perry 24th.April, 1944 Mr. J. A. Carrodus Department of the Interior

Canberra. A.C.T.

Dear Sir,

The cheque for £200 so kindly recommended by Mr. E.W.P.Chinnery reached our Treasurer's hands duly, and I wish to thank you on behalf of the Mission for this expression of appreciation of it's services.

I have had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Chinnery since receiving it. It will give us pleasure to use it on behalf of the half-castes and Aboriginals of Northern Territory and at Balaklava.

Yours faithfully,

DIRECTOR



15th February, 1944.

Dear Madam,

On the recommendation of the Commonwealth Adviser on Native Affairs (Mr. E.W.P. Chinnery) approval has been given for the payment to your Mission of a subsidy of £200 in respect of the financial year 1943-44. This payment is being made in appreciation of the services of your Mission on behalf of half-castes and aborigines of the Northern Territory both in the Territory and at Balaklava, South Australia.

A cheque for the amount approved should reach you in the course of a few days.

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Yours faithfully,

(J.A. Carrodus) Secretary.

The Director,
Aborigines Inland Mission
of Australia,
242 Pitt Street,
SYDNEY. N.S.W.

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16th April, 1943.

Dear Madam,

On the recommendation of the Commonwealth Adviser on Native Affairs, approval has been given for the payment to your Mission of a subsidy of £200 in respect of the financial year 1942-43, in appreciation of the services of your Mission on behalf of half-castes and aborigines of the Northern Territory.

you in the course of a few days.

Yours faithfully,

(SGD.) J. A. CARRODUS (J. A. Carrodus) Secretary.

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16th April, 1943.

His Honour the Administrator of the Northern Territory, ALICE SPRINGS.

ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS.

I refer to your memorandum of 6th March, No. 40/285, and previous correspondence, relative to the subsidies to be granted to missions in the Northern Territory during the present financial year.

2. This matter has now been considered by the Minister who has approved of the following distribution of the amount of £4,000 provided in the estimates of expenditure:-

Church Missionary Society	 £750
Roman Catholic Missions	 £563
Methodist Missions	 @900
Lutheran Mission	 £694
Aborigines Inland Mission	 .0200
Little Flower Mission	 £893
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- 3. Payments are being made from this Department Church Missionary Society, the Methodist Overseas Missions, the Pinke River Mission and the Aborigines Inland Mission. Copies of the letters addressed to each of the Societies concerned are attached for information.
- 4. It is suggested that you should take the necessary action to pay the amount of £563 to the Roman Catholic Mission authorities at Alice Springs.
- 5. It would appear from your communications that \$143 has already been paid to the Little Flower Mission. The Treasur; approval for the payment of \$750 to this Mission was conditional upon satisfactory water supplies being obtained. I shall be \$120 to learn whether the Mission has been successful in obtaining an adequate supply of water.

(SGD.) J. A. CARRODUS

(J.A. Carrodus) Secretary. Aboligines Inland Mission of Australia

Director:

Mrs. R. Long. Tel.: JA 5622.

Hon. Secretary:

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Hon. Treasurer: Mr. A. L. Perry.



Headquarters: 242 Pitt Street, Sydney, N.S.W.

Telephone: MA 2078.

19th. May, 1942

Mr.J.A.Carrodus, Department of the Interior Canberra. A.C.T.

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Dear Sir,

Although the note accompanying the £200 donation from your Department to the above Mission states that no acknowledgment of the cheque is required, yet I would like to forward you our official receipt.

I also wish to offer you our thanks for this donation. As I have said to Mr. Chinnery, our work is purely voluntary, and we do not accept remuneration for our services in the ordinary sense, but we appreciate this acknowledgment of them.

Yours faithfully,

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Director.

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Dear Madam,

It has been the practice for some years past for the Commonwealth Government to afford financial assistance to missions operating in the Northern Territory for the benefit of the aboriginal population.

In connection with the distribution of Government assistance for the financial year 1941-42 the Director of Native Affairs, Mr. E.W.P. Chinnery, has recommended that an amount of £200 be made available to your mission in appreciation of services rendered for half-castes and natives of the Northern Territory.

The Director's recommendation has now been approved by the Minister. A cheque for £200 should reach you in the course of a few days.

Yours faithfully,

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(J.A. CARRODUS) Secretary.

The Director,
Aborigines Inland Mission of Australia,
242 Pitt Street,
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scribed or as are specified in the summons Extract from notes made by the Director of

- (3.) The summons shall-
 - (a) be in accordance with the prescribed form; and
 - (b) require the person to whom it is directed to attend the Court at the prescribed time and to answer such things as are specified in the summons.
- (4.) The summons shall be served by a bailiff, unless authority is obtained from the Judge or a Stipendiary Magistrate for service by some other person, and shall be served personally on the person to whom it is directed, who shall attend in accordance therewith.
- (5.) The costs of an incidental to the summons and the proceedings in relation thereto shall be costs in the action.
- 180.—(1.) Where a judgment, decree or order is against a unfirm, of is against a person carrying on business in any name other surthan his own in that other name, and the person entitled to enforce against the judgment, decree or order desires to do so by unsatisfied judgment summons against any person whom he alleges to be liable under the judgment, decree or order as a partner in, or sole member of, the firm, or as the person carrying on business in another name, he shall file an affidavit, together with a copy thereof, in accordance with the prescribed form, and thereupon may cause an unsatisfied judgment summons to issue in accordance with the prescribed form, directed to the person alleged to be liable, and there shall be annexed to that unsatisfied judgment summons, and served therewith, a copy of the affidavit, sealed with the seal of the Court.

(2.) No such unsatisfied judgment summons shall be issued, except by leave of the Judge or of a Stipendiary Magistrate (which leave may be obtained ex parte), unless the Court out of which it is sought to issue the same is the Court having jurisdiction nearest to where the defendant at the time of its issue resides or carries on business.

(3.) If the person summoned does not attend on the return day of the unsatisfied judgment summons, he shall be deemed to admit his liability, as a partner in or sole member of the firm, or as the person carrying on business in the other name, to pay the amount due and payable under the judgment or order. If he attends and denies his liability the Court may decide the question on the evidence then before it, or may order the question to be tried and determined in an action to be commenced by claim and summons in the ordinary way, and after he has been held, or is deemed to be, liable he shall be a party to the action in which the unsatisfied judgment summons was issued.

181.—(1.) At the hearing of an unsatisfied judgment If part summons—

If party appears, he may be examined touching his estate, &c.

- (a) the party summoned may be examined upon oath touching his estate and effects, and whether any and what debts are owing or accruing due to him, and the manner and circumstances under which he contracted the debt, or incurred the damage or liability which is the subject of the action in which judgment has been obtained against him, and as to the means and expectations he then had, and as to the property and means he still has, of discharging the debt, damage or liability, and as to the disposal he has made of any property, and as to the whereabouts of any chattel detained or specific goods ordered to be delivered, and upon such other matters as are prescribed or as are specified in the summons;
- (b) the Court may hear such evidence in relation to the matters referred to in the last preceding paragraph as it thinks fit; and
- (c) the Court may order the party summoned to pay the judgment debt at such time or in such instalments as it thinks fit.

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DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL TERRITORIES.

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