

Githabul Sovereignty

Please support Githabul Sovereignty by coming to Canberra to apply pressure to the Gillard Govt. to not change the constitution to include (ab)Original people.

As good as it looks (so does Agenda 21...) it is an attempted disempowerment mechanism. Can we get a busload together to go Tuesday morning?
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#IdleNoMore ACTION FEBRUARY 13TH against push for constitutional recognition...

- BRISBANE: rally at QLD State Parliament at 10am
- CANBERRA: rally outside Federal Parliament House

On February 13, Australia's Federal Parliament will vote on the 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Recognition Bill 2012'. This legislation is tokenistic, provides the original sovereign tribes of this continent with NO BENEFITS and is simply an attempt by the Commonwealth Government of Australia (and their corporate backers) to put off the real issues at hand - SOVEREIGNTY & TREATY.

Listed below is what the Act of Recognition will do:

- 1) The Parliament, on behalf of the people of Australia, recognises that the continent and the islands now known as Australia were first occupied by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.
- 2) The Parliament, on behalf of the people of Australia, acknowledges the continuing relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with their traditional lands and waters.
- 3) The Parliament, on behalf of the people of Australia, acknowledges and respects the continuing cultures, languages and heritage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Although this may sound good, none of the above enactments provide any legal basis for our claim to SOVEREIGNTY, land rights, water rights, protection of our languages or cultural heritage. This 'Act of Recognition' is just like Kevin Rudd's apology - words without change.

The other part of this 'Act of Recognition' is what is known as a sunset clause which means that the Act will cease to exist after 2 years. After this 2 years is up, they will once again decide whether the Australian public is ready for a

referendum on Constitutional recognition. As we all know, the push for a referendum on Constitutional reform (specifically the recommendations of the 'expert panel' which included Government appointed 'Aboriginal leaders' like Noel Pearson, Pat Dodson and Marcia Langton) is yet another effort to put off the question of sovereignty and treaty. Both of these efforts by Government are attempts to sell our SOVEREIGN RIGHTS, to sell our LAND RIGHTS and our SONG, DANCE & STORY.

For an in-depth analysis of what Constitutional recognition will actually mean for the original tribes of this country, click on this link and go to PAGE 2 (Tasmanian Aboriginal Lawyer MICHAEL MANSELL offers some insight).

http://issuu.com/brisbaneblacksmonthly/docs/brisbane_blacks_monthly_issue_one

To have a look at the specifics of the legislation, click on the link below:

http://parlinfo.aph.gov.au/parlInfo/search/display/display.w3p;query=Id%3A%22legislation%2Fbills%2Fr4943_first-reps%2F0000%22;rec=0