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Example newspaper advertisement calling for submissions

PUBLIC NOTICES

INQUIRY INTO THE CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEM IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY 2010

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Inquiry into the Child Protection System was established by the Northern Territory Government to conduct a broad-ranging public inquiry under the *Inquiries Act*.

The Inquiry held public forums throughout the Territory in February and invited written submissions by 12 March 2010.

FORMAL HEARINGS
The Inquiry's three Co-Chairs will conduct formal hearings throughout the Northern Territory in March and April.

Anyone wanting to make oral submissions or to give evidence at these hearings should contact the Inquiry's Secretariat, if they have not done so already, to register their interest in appearing before the Board of Inquiry for this purpose. Anyone making such a request will be contacted by the

Board to confirm whether or not they have been granted a hearing (see the Inquiry website for more detail on making submissions).

The Board of Inquiry hearings are open to the public. However, due to the subject matter and content of evidence of some witnesses, the Board will need to close the hearings from time to time, which will mean excluding all persons other than the witness. This is so particular evidence can be heard confidentially in closed sessions or 'in camera'.

Darwin & Palmerston: Thursday 18 March and Friday 19 March, 7th Floor, National Mutual Building, 9-11 Cavenagh Street.

Nhulunbuy: Monday 22 March, Nhulunbuy Training Centre, Chesterfield Circuit.

Katherine: Tuesday 23 March, Katherine Indigenous Co-ordination Centre, 1st Floor, Randazzo Building, 14 Katherine Terrace.

Tennant Creek: Wednesday 24 March, Country Women's Association (CWA) Hall, 16 Noble Street.


Alice Springs: Thursday 25 March and Friday 26 March, Coolibah Function Room, Chifley Alice Springs Resort, 34 Stott Terrace.

Further hearings may be scheduled in April as required.

VISITS TO REMOTE COMMUNITIES
Visits to Aboriginal communities will be held in April and May. These visits will not be publicly advertised as they involve only members of the communities to be visited.

MORE INFORMATION
For more information, including the Inquiry's terms of reference, making submissions and protections for witnesses, visit the Inquiry website at:
www.childprotectioninquiry.nt.gov.au.

The Inquiry Secretariat can be contacted on free call 1800 770 543, (08) 8999 6256 or at:
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