

# INQUIRY INTO THE CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEM IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY 2010

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## Inquiry extended

The Inquiry into the Child Protection System in the Northern Territory will now report on 17 September after receiving an extension from the Chief Minister, the Hon. Paul Henderson MLA.

The Board had been due to deliver its report in June, but sought an extension because of the volume and complexity of material received.

"We have received about 150 written submissions, taken 70 oral submissions and travelled throughout the Northern Territory to talk to communities and individuals," the Inquiry's co-chairs Professor Muriel Bamblett, Dr Howard Bath and Dr Rob Roseby said today.

"We requested this additional time to enable the Board to properly consider the full range of material before it and to develop considered, responsive and realistic recommendations for the future of child protection in the Northern Territory," they said.

"We believe this timeframe is more realistic and in line with the time it has taken similar inquiries to report," they said.

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