

William Cooper, Secretary, Australian Aborigines' League, to Mr Gray, Honorary Minister, Western Australia, 28 February 1939, State Records Office of Western Australia, AU WA S2030—cons993 1936/0075

In the press here the statement is made that you informed a certain deputation, inter alia, that the ministry would decide a policy upon the whole question of the Aboriginal population.

With respect I have to submit a constitution of my league and would urge that this and the new Federal Policy be the basis of your policy.

We realise that finance will be a problem if W.A. had to bear the cost. We would submit that you should demand that Aboriginal amelioration costs should be borne by the Federal Government, or that the whole population should share the cost of all administrative work on a per capita basis of white population.

Thank you.