

William Cooper to the Prime Minister, Joseph Lyons, 23 October 1933, National Archives of Australia, A431, 1949/1591

On behalf of my people I have the honour to most humbly approach you seeking your permission to send to, and have signed by the Aborigines population under your charge, the undermentioned petition, a copy of which is to be forwarded to His Majesty King George V of England, asking on our behalf to do his utmost in taking suitable steps in preventing the extinction of the Aboriginal Race.

1. Obtaining better conditions for all.
2. Obtaining power to propose a Member of Parliament to be chosen by my people to represent us in the Federal Parliament.

Trusting that my humble request will receive every consideration. I have the Honour to be.