

**William Cooper to H. Makin, 19 March 1934, National Archives of Australia, A431, 1949/1591**

Why can't Mr Bleakley give me something definite, as regards my petitioning my own people for signatures in Queensland, as each of the other States have done, it is just upon six months since I first applied, & the enquiries of the attitude of the other States are still being put forward as the reason, Surely it does not take all that time to get an answer, other matters of less importance get more business action than this has, the whole matter is being held up, as my people do not want to do anything against the Board of Protection, yet are willing to sign so long as it will not offend.

If something decisive is not arrived at very soon, greater publicity will be given to the unnecessary delay meted out by the Board, their duty is to help our race in a reasonable manner, as we are subjects of the Realm.

In your reply dated 4 Dec 33 you suggest that if there is any objection raised, to apply to yourself or some other Member, will you please accept my appeal & try & help me, Thanking you in anticipation.