Argus, 21 November 1936, p. 27, Traffic in Aborigine Women

At a meeting convened by the Australian Aborigines League last night, the following resolution was passed:— This meeting of the Australian Aborigines' League and other citizens views with grave concern the increase in the traffic in aborigine women with the Japanese crews of fishing fleets. It points to the fact that the insufficient food supply as stated by Monsignor Gsell of the Bathurst Island Mission, in a report in "The Times", of September 25 1936, is one of the chief reasons why the native men sell their women. It therefore urges the Commonwealth Government to provide more adequate rations and to increase the grant to missions for expenditure on food, including meat. It also urges the provision of a more effective patrol of the coasts.