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AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL DELEGATION VISITS AUSTRALIA

As part of Amnesty International's continuing research into the human rights situation in Australia, the human rights organization is sending a three-person delegation to Australia between 1 and 30 March 1996.

The delegates are: Heinz Schurmann-Zeggel, Amnesty International Researcher, International Secretariat; Elisabeth Strohscheidt-Funken, Amnesty International German Section; and Alice Mogwe, Director of DITSHWANELO (Botswana Centre for Human Rights).

The delegation will be visiting Western Australia, the Northern Territory, Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and Canberra. They will be mainly carrying out research into the implementation of the recommendations made in 1991 by the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, as well as other concerns.

During their visit, the team will be meeting representatives of academic institutions including the Australian Institute of Criminology, the Crime Research Centre at the University of Western Australia, and various legal services and civil institutions including aboriginal organizations.

The Amnesty International delegation will hold a press conference in Sydney on 29 March 1996.

For more information about the press conference, and to arrange interviews with members of the delegation while they are in Sydney, please contact:

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