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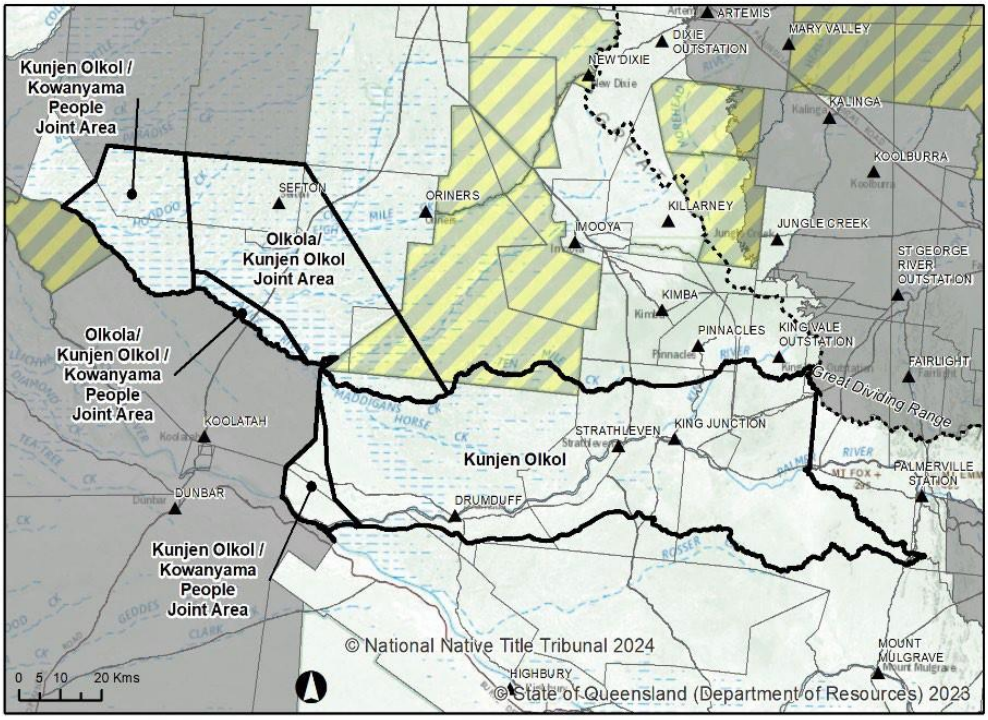
AUTHORISATION MEETING FOR A NATIVE TITLE DETERMINATION AGREEMENT

Kunjen Olkol Native Title Group
Cape York United # 1 Native Title Claim (QUD673/2014)

Wednesday 28 February 2024
DoubleTree By Hilton,
Cairns

Cape York Land Council (**CYLC**) will hold a **decision-making meeting** on **Wednesday 28 February 2024** in Cairns for the Kunjen Olkol Native Title Group to consider whether to authorise proposed native title agreements under s.87A of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (**NTA**) for consent determinations of native title over Kunjen Olkol People's native title country as shown on the map **below**. This area is inclusive of areas where the native title will be jointly held by the Kunjen Olkol People and the Kowanyama and Olkola People Native Title Groups as described on the map below.



A determination of native title involves a decision of the Federal Court. Determination of native title means that the Federal Court determines (1) who holds native title; (2) what the native title rights are; (3) the area to which the native title rights apply after any determination is made; and (4) which corporation will represent the members of the determined native title group. If the meeting on **Wednesday 28 February 2024** authorises the s.87A native title agreements, each determination will then be sought in the Federal Court. The Court has listed a hearing for a consent determination on **10-11 July 2024** for the areas bordered with a thick line on the map above.

A copy of the proposed s.87A native title agreements for a determination of native title for the areas shown on the map above will be available at the meeting on **Wednesday 28 February 2024.** At the request of the people who constitute the Applicant in the Cape York United Number 1 Native Title Claim, CYLC staff and consultants will be in attendance at the meeting to be available to explain matters such as the meaning and effect of the proposed agreements. Any person attending the meeting will be able to ask questions about the proposed agreements and state their views about the proposed agreements.

Who is invited to attend the meetings?

The meeting is open to all Kunjen Olkol People, being the descendants by birth, or adoption in accordance with Kunjen Olkol traditional law and custom, from one or more of the following apical ancestors:

1. Maggie Johnson
2. Kitty (wife of Bob Sellars)
3. Bob Sellars
4. Dick Callaghan
5. Topsy Callaghan
6. Frank Yam
7. Frank (father of Jimmy Koolatah, Coglin Dick and Kunjen Dick)
8. Bob Banjo Gordon
9. Charlie (father of Jack Burton)
10. Willie Johnson (aka Jack Johnson)
11. Mo Billy (mother of Billy Flower and Goggleye)
12. Nellie (mother of Ada Lyall)
13. Mosquito
14. Herbert Miller
15. Tommy McKenzie
16. Annie Burns (aka Annie Massey/Lawrence)
17. Brumby (aka Jack Brumby)
18. Charlie (spouse of Topsy/Bessie)
19. Jimmy "Jack" Lefthand (aka Jack Dunbar)
20. Maggie (mother of Annie Ah Sam)
21. Nancy Gordon (spouse of Jack Burton)
22. Tommy Ketchup (spouse of Nellie)
23. Nellie (spouse of Tommy Ketchup)
24. Hector Reynolds

Any person who is a descendant of one or more of the apical ancestors listed above is invited to attend this meeting. Please contact CYLC if you would like to confirm whether you are a descendant of one or more of the apical ancestors listed above and so entitled to attend the meeting.

The meeting will be held as follows:

Date: **Wednesday 28 February 2024**
Venue: **DoubleTree By Hilton, 121-123 Esplanade, Cairns**
Time: **9.00am – 2.00pm**

Purpose of the Authorisation Meeting

The purpose of the Authorisation Meeting on **Wednesday 28 February 2024** is to decide whether or not to approve the proposed s.87A native title agreements for a consent determination of native title for each of the areas shown on the map above. The agenda of the meeting will be to consider whether the persons present:

- agree and adopt a decision-making process;
- agree to the proposed s.87A agreements for a determination of native title;
- agree to the continuation of existing Indigenous Land Use Agreements under s.199C of the NTA;
- agree to nominate a corporation to represent the native title holders identified in the proposed agreements for a determination of native title over the proposed determination areas;
- agree to nominate a corporation to represent the native title holders for the jointly held areas identified in the proposed agreements for a determination of native title over the proposed jointly held determination areas;
- if a decision is made to incorporate the proposed corporations, agree to make a decision (1) to approve the rules of the proposed corporations, (2) to identify who will be the initial directors and contact person for the proposed corporations, and (3) to authorise one or more named persons to apply to the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations to register the proposed corporations; and
- authorise the Principal Legal Officer of CYLC to nominate the proposed corporations in writing to the Federal Court to be the prescribed body corporates under s.56(2)(a) & (b) of the NTA for the proposed determinations of native title.

Video-conferencing

Video-conferencing facilities will be made available at the meeting. If you would like CYLC to arrange a video-conference from your location into the meeting, whether you live at the location of the meeting or elsewhere, please contact CYLC on the number above.

Attendance

For **travel assistance** or to confirm attendance or for any other questions about this notice, please contact **Sana Dorante before Wednesday 21 February 2024** on free call number 1800 623 548 or mobile phone on 0488 702 099 or by email sdorante@cylc.org.au.

Please note that there is limited funding available for travel assistance.