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## MEDIA RELEASE

# INQUIRY INTO REPARATIONS FOR THE STOLEN GENERATIONS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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The Upper House committee currently conducting an inquiry into reparations for the Stolen Generations in New South Wales will be visiting Broken Hill and Walgett this month.

The committee will be having a public hearing in Broken Hill on Wednesday 17 February and Walgett on Thursday 18 February. Members of the public are welcome to attend to watch proceedings. The details of the public hearings are as follows:

**Broken Hill** Wednesday 17 February 2016, 11.15 am - 4.00 pm  
Council Chamber, Broken Hill City Council  
240 Blende Street, Broken Hill

**Walgett** Thursday 18 February 2016, 9.30 am – 3.00 pm  
Walgett RSL Memorial Club  
71 Fox Street, Walgett

The chair of the committee, Ms Jan Barham MLC said, ‘the inquiry is looking at what has happened since the Bringing Them Home Report was released in 1986 and the intergenerational harm that has been caused to members of the Stolen Generations and their families and communities’.

Ms Barham continued: ‘we know there is a really strong correlation with institutional generation trauma and negative impacts of Aboriginal people and the committee will be looking very broadly at what can be done to support contemporary situations in relation to historical wrongdoings’.

‘The committee is keen to engage with as many people as possible, especially in regional areas, on this important issue, and strongly encourages relevant individuals and groups to make a submission and attend the hearings’, said Ms Barham.

For further information about the inquiry, including the hearing schedule, the terms of reference for the inquiry, or for information on how to make a submission, please go to the committee’s website: [www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/gpsc3](http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/gpsc3), or call the committee secretariat on (02) 9230 3528.

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