

**Submission  
No 39**

**INQUIRY INTO HIGH LEVEL OF FIRST NATIONS  
PEOPLE IN CUSTODY AND OVERSIGHT AND REVIEW OF  
DEATHS IN CUSTODY**

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I am lodging a submission to support the inquiry into the overwhelming number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in custody and the number of deaths in custody. There needs to be formal investigations into this as this needs to change. This can not continue any longer. Too many have died at the hands of authority.

The over representation of Aboriginal people in custody has devastating consequences on the community for generations to come. They need true support due to the traumas they have endured over decades. Take the small step now to starting this inquiry.