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Talk and I will hear you. Listen and I will guide you. Artwork by Miyuki Dickerson

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We are committed to the implementation of practical actions to overcome the social, economic and educational inequities experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

In partnership with communities, our employees and other government agencies, we will work to improve service delivery outcomes and support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. We also commit to ensuring mutually beneficial outcomes for communities by building and maintaining relationships at the local level.

We are committed to working together as a Portfolio to achieve the Australian Government's goal of increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employment in the Commonwealth public sector to 2.7% by 2015. The Portfolio commits to improving training and career development opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees.

We commit to increasing our employees' understanding, knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures through increased cultural sharing programs.

What we will do

- Ensure cultural capability across the Portfolio by recognising, promoting and supporting a strong and positive view of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identity and culture.
- Work in partnership across the Portfolio to establish a workforce that reflects the communities in which we live and work.
- Create opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to develop their careers across the Attorney-General's Portfolio agencies.
- Work in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the development and design of Portfolio policies and services.
- Build and model respect, understanding and appreciation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and cultures in the delivery of internal and external services.
- Encourage the development and implementation of agency-specific Reconciliation Action Plans. These plans will incorporate consultation with Reconciliation Australia, all employees, and relevant stakeholders.

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