

Path to Treaty Bill 2023

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I attended the forum in Cairns 20.03.23 and as a white 7th generation Australian of convict stock, I did not feel comfortable speaking, I feel white fellas have been talking too much with no real outcomes. I'd like to know: 1. What is it the QLD government intends to 'do' as party to a treaty in regards of - - compensation of 240 years oppression fiscally? - is this treaty a piece of paper as useful as a DVO i.e. it's just a piece of paper and I can still get punched in the face? 2. What does a treaty actually mean? - A treaty is an international agreement concluded in written form between two or more States (or international organizations) and is governed by international law. A treaty gives rise to international legal rights and obligations. (wikipedia) 3. Therefore what are your obligations. 4. There is so much inequity between the indigenous and immigrants after all the colonization, genocide, oppression, what strategies are you putting in place to deal with these inequities including: Youth Justice, free education, inclusivity of indigenous language and history into all education facilities, free health, regional and remote disparities fiscally. 5. QLD is one of the richest states in primary industries therefore as compensation are the differing indigenous nations in Queensland going to get a percentage of all primary industries operating on unceded land? If so is that with 240 years interest? OR is going to start from the date that this bill is passed? 6. This talking and forums and dialogues and healing stories has been going on for over 35 years - DO SOMETHING